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# HEALTH GUIDELINES MADE COMPULSORY

## GAZETTE TO BE READY BY TOMORROW

#### FINES UPTO RS. 10,000, REMAND FOR VIOLATORS

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA DINUU FRANCISCO and AMALI MALLAWAARACHCHI

Health Minister Pavithra Wanniarachchi vesterday stated that a decision has been made to issue a gazette notification making health guidelines including wearing face masks and maintaining social distancing compulsory.

According to the Minister, those who

violate quarantine guidelines could be fined upto Rs.10,000 or arrested without a warrant and be remanded upto six months

The Minister further stated that the gazette notification is scheduled to be issued within next two days.

"The government is taking various decisions to ensure the health and

safety of the public. Accordingly, we have decided to issue a gazette notification within next two days enabling the authorities to take legal action against those who do not adhere to the health regulations in the areas announced by the Director General of Health Services as a disease affected area," said the Minister.



#### China grants Rs. 16.5 billion to improve medical care, education and water supply

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China has extended a grant of Rs. 16.5 billion to improve medical care, education and water supply in rural areas of Sri Lanka.

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An Agreement on Economic and Technical Cooperation between the Governments of Sri Lanka and China was signed on Friday to provide 600 million RMB Yuan

(Rs.16.5 billion) in grant assistance, the Chinese Embassy said in a



release yesterday.

#### **Central Bank to disburse** Rs. 175 bn to revive businesses

Loans exceeding Rs.112 bn granted to entrepreneurs so far

Facility to repay loan after six months grace period

**JAYASIRI MUNASINGHE** 

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka has approved to disburse loans over Rs.175 billion under three phases of the Saubhagya COVID-19 Punaruda Naya Yojana Kramaya exceeding the estimated amount of Rs.150 billion.

The Central Bank's Region- ing system is ready to provide more ment's Director General businesses that were disrupted by



although it was estimated to grant a loan of Rs. 150 billion, the bank-Development Depart- loans that are expected to revive M.S.K.Dharmawardena said that the Covid-19 epidemic. 10 PAGE 02





The Grade 5 Scholarship examination was held yesterday adhering to health guidelines in the wake of fresh COVID-19 fears. Candidates wash their hands at the entrance to the examination centre at Minuwangoda Nalanda Balika Madya Maha Vidyalaya. Over 331,690 candidates sat the scholarship exam this year. Pictures by Samantha Weerasiri.

#### Release of suspect Riyadh Bathiudeen

#### AG summons CID DIG, **Chief Investigating Officer**

Attorney General Dappula de Livera has summoned the Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) S.P. Ranasinghe and the Chief Investigating Officer to meet him today.

They were also directed to bring all investigative material over the release of Riyadh Bathiudeen by the CID. TO PAGE 02



# **All Brandix COVID** cases traced now - DIG

**AMALI MALLAWAARACHCHI** 

Police Spokesman DIG Ajith Rohana yesterday (11) said all employees who have had links to the Minuwangoda cluster have now been quarantined.

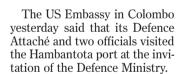
He denied media



untraceable. DIG Aiith Rohana said that immediately after the Minuwangoda - Brandix cluster was identified, police took action to list down

all employees and reports which said that 109 accordingly direct them to patients who had tested COVIDquarantine centers.

#### **US Embassy officials visited** Hambantota port by invitation



of Defense invited members of the Embassy's Defence Attaché's Office to visit the port. We are always appreciative of News yesterday.

meaningful engagement with Sri Lankan counterparts," US Embassy Public Affairs Officer David McGuire told the Daily

#### A/L begins today, 12 special examination centres

centres have been arranged for in areas under the quarantine Sanath Pujitha said. candidates sitting for the GCE curfew, Examinations Depart-

Twelve special examination Advanced Level Examination ment Commissioner General

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#### **Senior Police officer** transfers effected

**CAMELIA NATHANIEL** 

Former Media Spokesman of the Police Public Relations Division SSP Jaliya Senaratne, has been transferred

to the Kankesanthurai Division. He has been appointed as the Personal Assistant to the Senior DIG in charge of the Northern Province. DIG Ajith Rohana has been



Spokesman, in addition to his position as the DIG of the Legal, Discipline and Conduct Range. TO PAGE 02

#### **Kelaniya University on alert for COVID cases** Student tests positive, 11 on self quarantine

A Kelaniya University student has tested positive for COVID-19 virus, it was reported Brandix factory employee. Her father had earlier tested positive for the virus while her mother Daily News.

and younger sister had tested negative so far. She is a resident of Minuwangoda area and has been studying in the Sociology Faculty's Statisyesterday. She is the daughter of a Minuwangoda tics Department, University's senior lecturer and spokesman Wijayananda Rupasinghe told the

#### Dambulla Economic Centre under microscope **Two COVID positive cases visit location**

AMALI MALLAWAARACHCHI

The Office of the Medical Officer of Health of Dambulla yesterday decided to carry out 100 PCR tests at Dambulla Economic Center as it

who had tested COVID-19 positive have visited the location.

The said two patients, a vegetable vendor and his

was revealed that two persons driver, are presently treated at Rambukkana Hospital. The said patients are residents of Dunagaha and Divulapitiya-Batapola areas.

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#### Sri Pada College Hatton converted into quarantine centre

**ASELA KURULUWANSA** and **LAHIRU FERNANDO** 

The Sripada National College of Education in Dimbula

converted into a quarantine centre with effect from yesterday (11).

This center has the capability to accommodate 250 persons in quarantine. TO PAGE 02

#### Vavuniya College of Education also taken

RASULA DILHARA GAMAGE Northern Province Special

The National College of Education in from yesterday.

Poonthottam, Vavuniya has also been converted into a quarantine centre with effect



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# Quarantine curfew to continue further - Army Commander

**DILSHAN THARAKA** 

Army Commander, Lt. Gen. Shavendra Silva said the areas which are currently under the quarantine curfew will continue until further notice and no

made on lifting the curfew.

This decision was taken due to 103 persons including two persons working at the Minuwangoda Brandix factory being tested

decision has been been positive for the Covid-19 members are in the quarvirus on Saturday from the antine centers which are areas currently under the run by the Army, he said. quarantine curfew.

He further said that They have all been most of the workers at the directed to quarantine Minuwangoda garment centers and their family factory have been quaran-

tined and the rest of them have undergone PCR tests. He said that 10,250 persons are currently in quarantine at 96 quarantine centers operated by



# AL exam candidates must strictly follow health guidelines - DIG

#### **AMALI MALLAWAARACHCHI**

Students who will be sitting for G.C.E. Advanced Level examination from today (12) onward must follow all health regulations 100 percent to avoid contracting the

areas where the curfew is imposed, DIG Ajith Rohana also said.

He requested the students to keep a copy of the admission when nation centers beforehand. they travel back and forth from the COVID-19 virus, Police Spokesper- examination halls. We have specifison DIG Ajith Rohana yesterday cally given directives to all police of the exam date. Please gather A photocopy or an electronic much as possible to reach their the exam. Make sure that students

students who are resided in areas where curfew is imposed, to find the locations of the special exami-

"Please do not go for the wrong examination halls in the morning stations to facilitate students as information before you leave for copy of the examination admission examination halls on due time, he and their parents strictly follow all

can be used as a curfew pass in the added. The DIG also requested the the health guidelines including face-mask, sanitizer, hand wash and one meter distance. Most unfortunately we saw yesterday after the Grade Five scholarship examination was over, students and parents were in front of schools discussing about the exam paper. We kindly request students and parents to refrain from such irresponsible behavior. If you love your

children, if you want to stay safe during this pandemic time, please adhere to all health guidelines issued by the authorities." DIG Ajith Rohana also said. Both students and parents should follow all mandatory health guidelines and avoid public gathering, discussions and any such communications before and after the exams are held, DIG Ajith Rohana also said.

# Take precautions when visiting hospitals

- Health DDG

in-house patients at hospitals must take additional precautions on their safety, Health Services acting Deputy Director General Dr. Hemantha Herath

Issuing a media statement through the Department of Government Information, he requested the public to strictly adhere to COVID-19 health protocols such as maintaining social distance, washing hands and wearing face masks when visiting hospitals.

The release titled 'Guidance Note for General Public on Visiting Hospitals during COVID-19' also requested to mini-



dential patients in hospi-

It also advised the people to handover the supplies by some appropriate method without directly meeting the patients. The people are advised to visit the nearest hospital if anyone requires essential

# Brandix stands firm, it followed all quarantine protocols

Certifications from authorities confirming adherence to quarantine process available for all 341 employees and members of families that travelled from India to Sri Lanka

In our efforts to ensure transparency and clarify concerns of all our stakeholders on the COVID-19 situation at our manufacturing facility in Minuwangoda, we confirm with proof that all stipulated protocol was followed concerning our employees and their families returning to Sri Lanka from India.

A total of 341 employees and members of families travelled from our facility in Visakhapatnam, India to Sri Lanka on three separate chartered flights on June 25, August 8 and September 22, 2020. We can confirm that all the passengers followed the Sri Lanka Government protocol for the prevention and control of COVID-19, which includes PCR testing and a 14-day mandatory quarantine at a government regulated quarantine facility, as well as the 14-day self-quarantine process done under the supervision of the respective PHIs.

Upon completion of the 14-day mandatory period at a government regulated quarantine facility, a certification signed by the Head of National Operation Centre for Prevention of COVID-19 and the Director General of Health Services has been issued to each individual confirming the same. The passengers of the first two flights then underwent the 14-day self-quarantine process under the supervision of the espective PHIs. A certificate confirming the completion of the self-quarantine process has been issued to each passenger of these two flights by the Office of Medical Officer of Health for the respective area, which is signed off by the respective Public Health Inspector and the Medical Officer of Health. The 48 passengers that travelled to Sri Lanka on 22nd September 2020 are currently undergoing the 14-day self-quarantine process under the supervision of the respective PHIs and will be issued the same certification upon completion of the process. The certificates regarding all passengers can be produced for verification to any Government authority investigating the matter.

We further confirm that we have not had any visitors or travellers from India enter our Minuwangoda facility during the past two months. We also reiterate that our facility in Minuwangoda did not undertake any orders for our India operation nor does it use any fabric from India.

Brandix has a health and safety protocol and as a policy, we have directed all our facilities to follow the Sri Lanka Government protocol in place for the prevention and control of COVID-19. We are co-operating with all relevant authorities in their efforts to control the outbreak, while revisiting our processes to ensure that we are better positioned to meet changing conditions. We are also thoroughly investigating any lapses in this regard and will share our learnings and take the necessary action in the event of any violation.

Recent media reports also expressed concerns over the matter of employees who had tested positive not being available for immediate quarantine or hospitalisation. We would like to clarify that we are working with state officials in this regard and that the situation is being resolved. We are taking all necessary measures for their recovery, under the direction of the relevant health

In order to ensure the safety and well-being of our employees and their families, we are doing our utmost to provide the necessary support in facilitating supplies to quarantine centers and hospitals, in collaboration with the relevant authorities. A former facility of Brandix in Rambukkana was converted to a quarantine center with 300 beds, and under the management of the Sri Lanka Army, accommodates our employees and family members throughout the quarantine process. Additionally, we continue to operate a quarantine center provided by us in Punani, Batticaloa during the COVID-19 outbreak earlier on in the year, which also presently houses employees, family members, and any others

#### Health guidelines... From page 01

She also added that the Legal Draftsman's office has been informed regarding the preparation of the gazette and the Minister is expecting that the draft of the gazette will be submitted to her today (12). And also she added that the gazette could be published tomorrow(13).

According to the Minist COVID-19 health regulations

such as wearing face masks, maintaining a one-meter distance at crowded places, and the responsibility of checking the temperature or fever when entering any place would be gazetted as laws through the issuance of the gazette.

"The public support is the greatest strength that we possess in preventing the spread of COVID-19 within the community. The immense support given by the public during the last time controlled the spread of COVID-19 withsame support from the public within this period too" the Minister added.

Meanwhile, Police Spokesperson DIG Aiith Rohana vesterday said that strict legal

action would be taken against anyone who violates the quarantine law after the issuance

at yesterday for violating curfew laws. "Shops and vendors who provide essential servic-



allowed to be kept open today (12) as well, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m." he also added.

#### in the country. We expect the that 101 persons have been

#### China grants... From page 01

The agreement was inked between Finance Ministry Secretary S.R.Attygalle and China International Development



Wang Xiaotao, on the sidelines of Chinese Communist Party Political Bureau Member Yang Jiechi's visit to Sri Lanka.

"President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa extended their sincere appreciation for this urgently-needed assistance. "Mutually agreed by both sides, the grant from the Chinese Government will be utilized with a high priority on medical care, education and water supply in rural areas of Sri Lanka, so as to contribute to the well-being of the people in a post-COVID era". 'Besides, during the meeting, Yang Jiechi

and PM Mahinda Rajapaksa also went through other Chinese grant projects such as the National Nephrology (Kidney Disease) Hospital in Polonnaruwa and the new Out-Patient Department (OPD) of National Hospital in Colombo etc and expressed their satisfaction on the good progress despite the COVID-19 pandemic," the media release said.

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#### AG SUMMONS... From page 01

Attorney General's Coordinating Officer State Counsel Nishara Jayaratne told news media that they were summoned over the release of former minister Rishad

Bathiudeen's brother, Riyadh Bathiudeen who was arrested by the CID on suspicion of aiding and abetting the terrorists who carried out the series of Easter Sunday attacks.

Riyad Bathiudeen was

which took place on April 21. 2019. While there is

arrested on April 14 by the CID on suspicion of aiding and abetting the terrorists who carried out the Easter Sunday attacks

strong evidence leading to proceed legal actions, the CID had decided to release Riyadh Bathiudeen without any legal permission and by not producing him before Court on September 30.

#### A/L begins... From page 01

A total of 362,824 candidates will sit for the Advanced Level Examination, to begin today, at over 2600 examination centers islandwide.

The Commissioner General told Daily News yesterday said that a special center has also been set up at the National Institute of Infectious Diseases (IDH) as two students are currently undergoing treatment at this hospital.

The rest of the special centers have been put up in the Gampaha District for the students in the curfew imposed areas so that they

in this manner.

do not have to travel out of the district.

The Commissioner General said the students, who are undergoing self-quarantine at home in any district, are requested to report to the nearest examination centre, adding that separate rooms would be allocated for such students within the centre.

It has been made compulsory for all students to follow health guidelines such as wearing a mask, washing hands and maintaining social distance throughout the examination period.

#### Senior Police officer... From page 01

The National Police Commission has approved the transfers of a group of senior police with immediate effect.

The transfers made based on service requirements sees eight Deputy Inspector Generals of Police (DIG), a Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP), a Superintendent of Police (SP) and three Assistant Superintendents of Police (ASP) transferred

In addition, DIG in charge of the Galle District K. N. J. Wedasinghe has been appointed as the Acting DIG of the North Division of the Western Province.

#### of the gazette notification. DIG Ajith Rohana also said

arrested and 27 vehicles taken into police custody as es and pharmacies are

## US Embassy... From page 01

Three US delegates attached to the Embassy in Colombo went on an inspection tour at the Hambantota International Port on Saturday. During the visit, the delegates met with the senior administration of the Port.

The Port is currently managed by Hambantota International Port Group, a private limited liability company formed as a result of a public private partnership between the Government of Sri Lanka and China Merchants Port Holdings

#### All Brandix COVID... From page 01

Thus, all employees who have had links to this cluster are now being quarantined, he

DIG Rohana requested persons who have had close connections with any such employee linked to the Minuwangoda Brandix cluster to inform health authorities.

#### Vavuniya College... From page 01

About 360 individuals from Gampaha and Minuwangoda areas have been sent to this center for uarantine and the Army is facilitating the

The teacher trainees in this College were given leave and transport to leave for home.

#### Sri Pada College... From page 01



The Sri Lanka Army has informed the residential academic and non academic staff of the college to vacate their quarters temporarily. Some 582 students of the college also have

been given leave due to this situation and they were provided transport facilities to their nearest town by the SL Army.

#### Central Bank to ... From page 01

Accordingly, Rs.112 billion has been granted to entrepreneurs so far, he added.

Dharmawardena said they had approved loan applications until September 30 as a support to revive businesses that have been crippled by 4% of the working capital loans.

The Monetary Board of the Central Bank had initially planned to grant Rs. 50 billion in loans and later increased it to Rs. 150 billion. However, Rs.175 billion has been

approved so far." The loans will help businesses to make statutory payments, including payroll, EPF and ETF, water bills, electricity bills and rent for buildings. We hope that this will be a relief to businessmen who were severely affected during the March

and April period," he added. This loan scheme is planned to be granted by 29 selected specialized Government and Private sector licensed commercial banks in the country. President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, Prime Minister and Finance Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa are aiming to revitalise micro, small and medium enterprises in a number of



sectors that cover key economic processes such as agriculture, industry and services. Accordingly, these loans have been provided to benefit those engaged in a number of sectors including agriculture related industries, animal husbandry, fisheries, small and medium enterprises. tourism, transport, garments, construction, rubber related products, communications, information technology, he said.

The loan repayment period is 24 months. Dharmawardena highlighted that the special feature of this loan facility is that it provides the facility to repay the loan after a grace period six months from the date of obtaining the loan.

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka has provided relief to customers in the form of refinancing loan schemes, interest subsidy and collateral loan schemes to empower businesses.

#### Kelaniya University on... From page 01

The said student had visited the university's hostel on September 30 for the last time. Accordingly, 11 individuals including two of her friends and



ing self-quarantine and the results of their PCR tests were yet to be received as of yesterday. Rupasinghe said a final decision on the re-opening of the University for academic



made so far and such decision will be taken after considering the development of the current pandemic situation in the country. No stu-

dents will be allowed within the university premises under this situation and also no students are stranded in the hostels due to the curfew imposed in the Gampaha District, he further added.

#### Dambulla Economic Centre... From page 01

According to investigations it was found that the said two persons have visited Kataragama along with a person who is working at the Brandix factory in Minuwangoda. The said Brandix employee had been tested COVID-19 positive and the other two persons were accordingly tested. Thus, it was revealed that the two persons had also contracted the

Before being tested for COVID-19, the two persons visited Dambulla Economic Center on October 4, 2020 and stayed at the location from 8 a.m. until 4.00 in the evening. While staying they have visited more than 80 vegetable vending places.

According to the media reports, health regulations are not properly

followed at the Dambulla Economic Center where more than 5,000 persons enter the facility daily. Many at the economic center have

not been using face masks or adhering to other health precautions such as sanitizing. Only three gates of the economic center have temperature checks, it was also reported. The Dambulla Medical Officer of Health insisted that all vendors and farmers who enter the Dambulla Economic Center must follow all health guidelines.

# Sri Lanka, China discuss economic revival, COVID-19 assistance

facilitated a high-level Chinese delegation of a key Political Bureau Member of the Communist Party and Diplomat Yang Jiechi along with the Chairman of China's International Development Cooperation Agency Wang Xiatao and Chinese Foreign Ministry official Cheng Song to arrive in Sri Lanka.

The delegation held discussions with President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa on October 9, in the presence of Foreign Minister Dinesh Gunawardena, Secretary Admi-

The Foreign Ministry ral Prof. Jayanath Colombage and other Government Ministers and digni-

> The leaders recalled the catalytic role played by the Chinese FDI projects in Sri Lanka valued at over USD 3 billion, and the significant employment opportunities the projects have so far gen-

The delegation and the Government underscored the importance of concluding the projects early towards reaping benefits from the full potential of these mega Foreign Direct Investments in the coun-

the delegation for the valuable assistance and support consistently made available by the Chinese Govern-

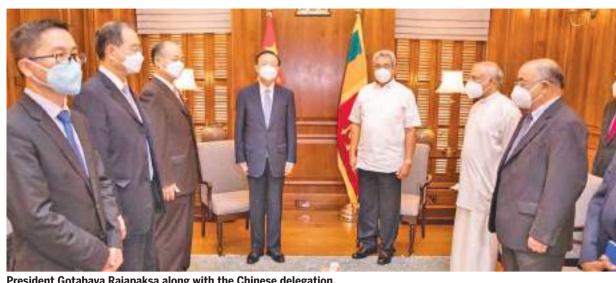
The leaders expressed their gratitude for the continued support and solidarity extended to Sri Lanka during the humanitarian operation in the north, and China's steadfast support in the Human Rights Council in trying

The Government requested the Chinese leaders to facilitate market access to some of Sri Lanka's unique commodities that could

The President thanked find demand in the Chinese domestic market towards increasing the trade turnover and improving the trade balance, which is in favour of China.

> They agreed the export basket to China need to be reviewed to increase the trade volume and the need to resume negotiations on the stalled talks on the Sri Lanka-China FTA.

The first ever visit by Chinese leaders, during the COVID-19 pandemic to Colombo was organised under strict compliance of the health protocol – an airbubble concept, of the Health Ministry.



President Gotabaya Rajapaksa along with the Chinese delegation.

# **Indian Defence Advisor calls on Defence Secretary**



Indian Defence Advisor in Sri Lanka Capt. Vikas Sood in discussion with Defence Secretary Maj. Gen. (Retd) Kamal Gunaratne.

Indian Defence Advisor in Sri Lanka Capt. Vikas Sood met Defence Secretary Maj. Gen. (Retd) Kamal Gunaratne at the Ministry on Friday.

Highlighting the long existed bilateral ties between two countries, Capt. Vikas praised the 'Operations Sagar Araksha' for successfully dousing the recent fire onboard MT New Diamond.

The Defence Secretary said he is grateful to the Indian Government for successfully conducting the operation and also paid his concerns into the significance of maritime cooperation and the effectiveness of interoperability between the two countries.

Maj. Gen. Gunaratne commended the supportive measures extended for this Naval operation to protect marine resources, livelihood, tourism and fisher-

Capt. Vikas discussed introducing India's Jaipur artificial foot production to Sri Lanka to uplift the livelihood of differently-abled persons. The high officials had cordial discussions on matters of mutual relevance during the session.

## COVID 19 cases reach **4,628** - *NOCPCO*

#### **ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA**

The number of COVID 19 cases in the country has risen to 4,628, the National Operation Centre for Prevention of COVID-19 Outbreak (NOCPCO) said.

According to the NOCPCO, 105 new COVID-19 cases including two foreign nationals and two Sri Lankan seafarers were reported as of yesterday and of them, 101 were close associates

wangoda garment factory and the other two were its employees. The number of infected

persons in the COVID 19 cluster of the Minuwangoda Garment Factory as of yesterday morning is Forty four people have

arrived in Sri Lanka from Doha, Qatar on a QR 668 passenger flight yesterday morning and they were sent to the quaran-

of employees of the Minutine centres under the Tri-forces.

Ninety persons completed quarantine and returned home yesterday. As of yesterday, 50,726 persons have completed quarantine.

Also 10,224 persons are quarantined in 92 centres under the Tri-forces. About 4,754 PCR tests were carried out on Saturday. So far, 325,763 PCR tests have been con-

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# Investigation called for on Riyad Bathuideen's release

- Minister Chandrasena

AMILA PRABHATH WANASINGHE. ANURADHAPURA ADDITIONAL COR.



Lands Minister S. M. Chandrasena called on the Government to conduct a fair inquiry and dispel any doubts about the release of Riyad Bathuideen.

He said that it is necessary a government to dispel the doubts of the public, and as the ruling party Parliamentarians, they also find it important to conduct a proper investigation into the

release of Riyad Bathuideen. He was speaking at a media briefing at his residence in Anuradhapura yesterday.

"Many rumors circulated in this regard during the previous government. Even the Police Spokesman cast several allegations against him. The Spokesman now says Riyad was acquitted and released because allegations against him have not been proved. So it is reasonable to have doubts among the public in this regard," he said.

Minister Chandrasena said that even Archbishop Cardinal Malcolm Ranjith said that he has doubts regarding the matter. Therefore, 100 Parliamentarians signed a letter opposing the release of Rivad Bathuideen and submitted the list to the President and the Prime Minister, he said.

The Minister said that an independent committee and another set of police officers should be appointed to investigate the matter and rectify the doubts directed towards the Government. Minister Chandrasena said that it is a well-known that the Government, the President and the Prime Minster never took actins to release Riyad Bathuideen, and if any issue was caused in this regard, it is the police officers who investigated the issue.

The Minister said that the 20th Amendment will be passed with a majority in Parliament.

Strong winds forecast

The Meteorology Department yesterday

warned of strong winds of 50-60 kmph across

the island, particularly in the Northern, North-

central, Southern, North-western Provinces and

the Trincomalee District and in the western

"Showers or thundershowers will occur at times in the Western, Sabaragamuwa, Central

and North-western Provinces and in the Galle

and Matara Districts. Fairly heavy rainfalls over 75mm are likely at some places in the Sabaragamuwa and Central Provinces and in the Galle

"A few showers may occur in the Northen

Province and the Anuradhapura District. Show-

ers or thundershowers may occur at a few places

in the Eastern and Uva Provinces," the weather

bulletin said. The Department said the temporary enhancement of windy and showery condi-

tions over the island will be fairly active because

of the south-west monsoon. The Met. Dept.

warned the public to take precautions to mini-

mise damages caused by strong winds and

Marine weather forecast alerted Naval and

fishing communities not to venture into sea over north Andaman sea until October 13 as the

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and Matara Districts.

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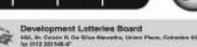




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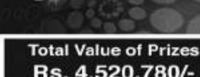


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ri Lanka is blessed with so much forest cover, supplemented by rivers and lagoons. Last Thursday morning, I set

lagoons. Last Thursday morning, I set out with my schoolmate Gunashantha to explore and appreciate the bountiful display of wildlife at the Ridiyagama Safari Park. The massive 500-acre park is run by the National Zoological Gardens Department. Travelling from Colombo, we decided to take the Expressway. We made our exit at Sooriyawewa.

The lush green scenery on either side of this highway is a refreshing start for the day. The drive took us exactly three hours saving much time. The safari park is a short distance from the main road. At the entrance, you can see a massive wooden signboard. You have to park and inform the officer on duty of the number of persons. There were many children with their parents.

Once inside the first gate you have two options – to travel in a bus (there are a few) or book a jeep at a reasonable cost of Rs. 2,000. We chose to ride the jeep and were blessed to have a knowledgeable guide named Neil. I must mention that the park's courteous security staff did an excellent job in crowd control, offering everyone time to choose their travel mode. The buses and few jeeps are carefully spaced out so that the aura of the wild is not disturbed by lines of intruding vehicles as in some other wildlife parks

areas were spacious and clean. I also noticed a large outdoor area with tables and chairs and a long row of taps where families can sit down and eat, enjoying the cool breeze. After the long Covid- 19 containment curfew, this was a welcome adventure.

and reserves. The waiting

I was given to understand that this massive park opened in 2016, and is being steadily developed. Out of the 500 acres at present, 200 acres are being used. The plan has envisaged nine zones for separate wildlife and at present four zones are operational. We boarded the jeep which had been made secure with protective iron railings. I positioned myself ready to capture these stimulating wild encounters. Our first zone was made up of many mammals. There was a robust herd of spotted deer chilling out under some trees. Neil pointed out a blackbuck, a majestic deer with dominant horns. It is found in India, Nepal and A few feet away some peacocks dazzled us

with their magnificent feathers. I must mention that the road inside is rugged and dusty at some points, deliberately kept like this to sustain the natural terrain within the park. Some zebras were spotted and one male stood out from the group. Gunashantha pointed towards a large camel. I was not expecting to see a camel. In fact there were two. The jeep passed a patch of muddy road and we came across a solitary animal chewing on some leaves. I realized this was a guanaco, a camelid native of South America closely related to the llama. The young animals are called chulengos. These animals weigh between 90 and 140 kilogrammes. They vary in colour from light brown to dark cinnamon brown. The animal is dou-

ble coated with coarse hair.

We were in for another surprise when I spotted one of the African Big Five - the Cape buffalo. This is a formidable animal that has the physical disposition and willpower to challenge and attack a lion. The Sri Lankan buffalo is a smaller species and their horns grow from the side of their head. For the huge Cape buffalo their horns grow from the top centre on their heads forming a bone shield. Another distinct feature is their sturdy thick legs.

It was around 4.20 pm and I noticed the park staff driving around in a double cab. It was feeding time for some of the animals. Neil updated us saying that all the animals at Ridiyagama are monitored daily for any sign of injury or illness. The park has its own team of veterinarians. A group of wild boar were running about, some covered in mud. A mud bath helps to cool off on a hot day.

The freedom to roam in the wild is the essence of

this park, in comparison to the Zoo at Dehiwela. Peacocks were perched on branches. I spotted a large Rhea Bird; it looks similar to the ostrich. It is a flightless bird. Neil announced that we were about to enter the 54-acre elephant zone. There were many clusters of elephants. The rays of sunlight were directly on the elephants and I could not find a clear angle, without a disruptive shadow for my photograph. Away from this herd was a solitary male. This was the African elephant originally from the Dehiwela Zoo. His tusks were quite impressive and he was walking about. He stopped, looked at the jeep and moved away. But I must say he was not impressive as our beloved Nadungamuwe Raja, who is a regal elephant with such an imposing body structure. From here we drove towards the Bengal Tiger Zone. The access gate to this section is manned by two guards. CCTV is mounted on both pillars.

Each vehicle is checked in after the automatic gate slides open and shuts once we drive inside. This is to ensure that these mighty predators don't wander into other sections of the park. Out of the six Bengal tigers, we spotted four. The other two were probably resting under the cover of the trees. One tiger walked alongside the jeep; it was awesome to be so close to the jungle's feared predator.

After enjoying these golden moments, Neil declared that we were going to enter the Lion Zone, the final zone on the safari. Once again, the gates were automatically opened and closed by alert guards. Within minutes, we spotted one male lion seated alone. This lion with a full mane is called Chandi. He had fathered a healthy cub. This lion cub was given to the Sinha Regiment of the Army as their mascot. I was privileged to visit the Ambepussa Camp and actually pet this lion named Cougar, when he was 10 months old.

As the jeep moved forward, we came across four healthy lions - three males and one female. The male lions held their position as they do in the wild. However, the 'mother' lion was curious and came close to the jeep. We held our breath. She put her head on the rear tyre and sniffed, eyeing us. Wow, this was a cherished minute. Within seconds, she walked away and sat on the sand, still looking at us. The safari takes about one hour. It is worth every minute. The Ridiyagama Park is a 'must visit' venue for all animal lovers.

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# Paddy cultivation in Ampara commences

M.A. PHAKURDEEN,

Addalaichenai Group Corr. Over 109,000 acres are cultivated with paddy in the Maha season 2020/21 and 10,822 acres have been prepared for sugarcane cultivation in the Ampara District. Sowing paddy commenced on October 10, District Secretary D.M.L. Bandaranayake said.

A meeting was held at the Akkaraipattu Central College Auditorium recently chaired by Gal Oya Right Bank Resident Manager S. L. A. Ansar to decide the calendar of the Maha season 2020/21 of

the Galoya right bank in the Ampara District. Irrigation Regional Director Sujitha Gamage, Deputy Director M.F.A.Zaneer, Agriculture District Director M.S.A. Kalees, Divisional Secretaries M.S.M.Razan and J. Liyakath Ali, and Agricultural Organizations' representatives were present.

District Secretary Bandaranayake said that farmers have to cultivate according to the cultivation calendar. Then cultivators will receive seed paddy, fertiliser and other essen-



District Secretary D.M.L. Bandaranayake addressing the **Irrigation Officials and farmers** 

tial chemicals in time, he said.

He said that farmers have to adhere to decisions made at the meeting. About 39,857 acres are cultivated with paddy under the Gal Ova right bank channel and of which, 24,010 acres will be cultivated in Akkaraipattu and the rest will also be culti-

Banadaranayake thanked the farmers for their valiant effort in producing the rice for the country. The farmers had overcome the natural and other unexpected disasters and succeeded in meeting their targets, he said.

He advised them to co-

operate with the Irrigation Officials when tanks lack adequate water. "Our farmers are very cooperative, and they will adhere to the cultivation calendar," he said. The Senanayake Samudraya supplies water to paddy fields. It has water capacity of 270,000 acre ft. Therefore, cultivation will be successful with the anticipated rainfalls, he



Nine Army Senior Brigadiers were elevated to the rank of Major General on account of the Army Day and the 71st Army Anniversary (October 10). They received their insignia from Chief of Defence Staff and Army Commander Lieutenant General Shavendra Silva on Saturday at the Commander's Office at the Army HQ in Sri Jayewardenepura, Kotte.

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- Defence Secretary

S.M.WIJAYARATNE, Kurunegala Corr.

Over 500,000 youth have been

addicted to narcotics according to the latest Government surveys,

Defence Secretary Major General (Rtd.) Kamal Gunaratne said.

"Just putting them behind bars is

not enough. A proper rehabilitation

programme for them is vital before

releasing them back to society. My

family and I have been threatened

with death by thugs and drug rack-

eteers after we launched stringent

security operations to control the

drug menace. I will never give up

my efforts in this regard. As per the

advice and guidance of President

Gotabaya Rajapaksa, the mother-

land and its citizens will be saved

from drugs and thugs before long,'



Student Diluru Jayawardana of the Sri Wariyapola Sumangala Vidyalaya, Kandy has produced an automated sanitiser to wash hands to prevent COVID-19. He is a Grade 13 student. Picture by Aiith Gangoda. Udadumbara Group Corr.

#### **Panadura Hospital ICU** temporarily closed PRIYADARSHANI KAHAWALA, Ingiriya Central Group Corr

The Panadura Base Hospital Intensive Care Unit (ICU) has been temporarily closed as a daughter of a nurse in the ICU had tested positive for COVID-19.

The ICU staff including the nurse, doctors and patients have been quarantined and subjected to PCR tests, hospital sources said.

The daughter was a third year student of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura Management Faculty.

About 50 students in the

hostels of the Faculty have been sent to self-quarantine following the detec-

The student was staying with two other students at a hostel in Gangodawila. A relative of one of the students had worked at the

Factory, the sources said. She was referred to the National Institute of Infectious Diseases (NIID), Angoda.

Minuwangoda Garment

Her family members in Hirana, Panadura have been quarantined and subjected to PCR tests, the sources said.



**Panadura Base Hospital** 

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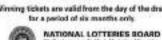
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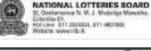
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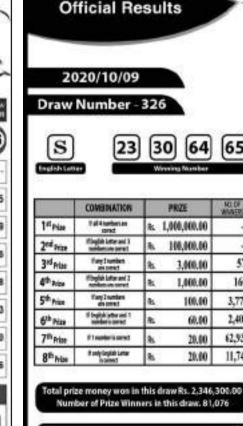




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# Minuwangoda COVID 19 cluster will be contained - Minister Prasanna

**IRANGIKA RANGE** 

Tourism Minister Prasanna.Ranatunga yesterday said that the Government has taken measures to prevent and control the spread of COVID 19 cluster in Minuwangoda.

He said that health and

security authorities are working tirelessly to combat the third COVID-19 wave like they controlled the first and second waves.

The Minister was addressing a meeting at the Minuwangoda Divisional Secretariat yesterday. It was held

to discuss the distribution of essential commodities for the people in curfew areas including those in self-quarantine in the Gampaha Dis-

The Minister advised the officials to expedite distributing essential goods through a

joint programme by State and private sector. Over 1,000 COVID-19 patients have been detected so far from the Minuwangoda cluster. They are undergoing treatments at hospitals, and their close contacts have been sent to quarantine centres.

#### Practise responsible media reporting on COVID-19 outbreak - ID Director General

The Government Information Department (ID) yesterday urged media personnel to practise more positive and responsible media reporting on COVID-19 outbreak.

Issuing a statement, Department Director General Nalaka Kaluwewe requested the media not to shoot or telecast scenes that could harm the privacy and social dignity of

those suspected of being infected with COVID 19 or their associates.

"It has been observed that certain electronic media broadcast illustrations in news reporting on people who are infected with COVID-19 or subject to quarantine affecting the privacy of individuals.

The manner they are taken into quarantine or hospitalisation and their homes or their surroundings were shown. In some cases, patients and associates are perceived as anti-social by some of the media.

'Telecasting such scenes does not make an effective contribution to the proper awareness of the people. Some people may not even seek treatment or quarantine because of the risk of socialising such scenes that harm their privacy. There has been a great

deal of public displeasure and protest against this negative use of the

media. This has also disturbed the special social mission of the media to properly educate the public at this critical

juncture. "I greatly appreciate the continuous active contribution of media institutions in rescuing society from the menace," the statement said.

#### Galle MC members wasted public money on trip - JVP

MAHINDA P. LIYANAGE, Galle Central Special Corr.

A group of Galle Municipal Councillors including the Mayor have gone on a trip to Nuwara Eliya in the guise of participating in a waste management workshop spending public money, former Southern Provincial Councillor Nalin Hewage said.

Hewage was addressing a media briefing in Galle on Saturday.

The M.C. members participated in the trip with no concern over the COVID-19 pandemic in the country, he said.

The MC members representing the Sri Lanka (SLPP) and the United National Party (UNP) have joined in the trip.

They have spent millions of rupees of public money on the trip.

They have gone on similar trips earlier with no benefit to the council or the people. The Mayor always lament over lack of funds in the council. The Galle Municipal Council claims that they have no sufficient funds to renovate the dilapidated Galle Town Hall, but the Mayor spends public money extravagantly uselessly, Hewage said.

Galle Mayor Priyantha Sahabandu said that the trip had been planned some time ago.

"There is no truth about Podujana Peramuna JVP's allegations. They make such allegations out of mere political jealousy,"

#### Mobile library service launched in Puttalam

M.U.M. SANOON, Puttalam TKN Corr.

Puttalam Urban Council library set up a mobile library service recently in Puttalam to mark the Literature and Reading Month, October.

The service was launched at the IFM Preschool, 3rd Cross Street,

Puttalam Urban Council Chairman K.A.Baiz initiated the programme to improve the reading habit among the students. Baiz said that the mobile library service will be set up at over 40 pre-schools under the Puttalam Urban Council.

The mobile service will be conducted twice a month in these preschools, and books will be distributed among the children and parents.

IFM Teacher in-charge M.S.Fausul Roosi, Puttalam Urban Councillors B.M. Ranees and Jameena Ilyas, Puttalam Public library librarian Anula Abeyratna, and many others participated.



State Minister Siripala Gamlath commencing the maize cultivation.

# Mahaweli Zone L farmers begin growing maize

hectares in the Mahaweli Zone L commenced on October 2.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and Irrigation Minister Chamal Rajapaksa and Mahaweli Zones Canals, Settlements and Public Infrastructure Development State Minister Siripala Gamlath participated in the commencement ceremonies in Weli Oya, Ethawetuna Wewa and Nika Wewa in the Mahaw li L Zone.

Over 3,000 acres will be

Growing maize in 10,000 cultivated with maize in the Mahaweli L Zone

> The annual demand for maize is around 500,000 metric tonnes. Half of the demand (250,000 MT) is grown locally and the rest is imported at cost of Rs.3000 million. President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has proposed to cultivate the maize here to save the foreign exchange spent on

Ŝtate Minister Siripala Gamlath said that 10,000 hectares of maize in 10

Mahaweli Zones will be grown with maize. Mahaweli lands will be

distributed among the farmers under a concessionary leasing system encouraging them to grow maize to meet the demand. The Mahaweli Authority

will provide quality seeds. State and private sector institutions will be encouraged to buy the harvest from the farmers. A kilogram of maize seeds is bought at Rs.90. The import of 16 non-essential crops has been suspended

as these can be cultivated here, and maize is among

State Minister Siripala Gamlath said that in addition to maize, other food crops will be grown in the Mahaweli Zones.

Mahaweli Authority Director General and Engineer Sunil S. Perera, Mahaweli Agricultural Director Neville Rajapakse, Mahaweli L Zone Residential Business Manager R.B.K.M. Randeniva an Mahaweli L Zone farmers participated.

#### 'Medicines home delivery from tomorrow'

The Government is making arrangements to home deliver medicines from tomorrow, Health Services Acting Director General Dr. S. Sridharan said in a press statement yesterday.

"It will be commenced from the Gampaha and Colombo Districts and expanded island-wide. Patients are advised to visit the emergency treatment units of the closest hospital at any time if they experience warning signs of the disease.

Therefore, the Health Ministry advises the public not to panic at this moment and request fullest support to combat the COVID-19 situation.

"The Health Ministry recommends patients with chronic diseases and the elderly not to attend hospital clinics until further notice. Patients with chronic diseases and the elderly are at a higher risk of getting COVID-I9 because of the congestion at clinic setups," he said.

#### **Undergrad drowns**

RAJA WAIDYASEKERA, Tis-

samaharama Special Corr.

An undergrad (21) of the Colombo University drowned in the Udukiriwilawewa in Weeraketitya when the boat he was on along with three friends capsized.

He was a resident of Hittetiya, Matara. The victim had visited a friend in Weeraketiya and gone for a boat ride,

Weeraketiya police said. The police said that the victim drowned while he was swimming towards the bank.

The three friends clung on to the capsized boat until they were rescued by the residents of the area, police said.

#### Pattithottam, Periyakadei in Mannar isolated

Pattithottam and Perivakadei in Mannar were isolated to contain the spread of COVID-19, Army Commander, Lieutenant General Shavendra Silva said.

The Army Commander said the decision was reached as five positive cases were

found on Saturday. Travel restrictions have also been imposed in three villages in the Aththanagalla and Mirigama DS Divisions.

The Army Commander said the Mirigama police area was locked down as a few COVID-19 positive cases were found on Saturday.

# Women business persons to receive livelihood support during COVID-19 outbreak

The UNDP and the SLTDA, with financial assistance from Citi, are developing a livelihood support mechanism for woman entrepreneurs, with a focus on women who are unable to access livelihood support ser-

vices to revive their businesses. A rapid assessment undertaken by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority (SLTDA) found that women were disproportionately impacted with the outbreak of COVID-19 as 67 per cent of those who lost their jobs were

The Government has made significant progress in initiating early relief measures to businesses, however, as women make up a majority of the segment of unregistered (informal) service providers in Sri

Lanka, this has posed a set of problems as informality translates into

low wages, precarious working conditions and the absence of social protection. Coupled with an increase in unpaid work and care burdens during the pandemic, women have faced barriers to accessing these services.

UNDP Resident Representative in Sri Lanka Robert Juhkam said that building resilient social protection systems that help informal sector workers withstand shocks are a critical element of COVID-19 responses. "Supporting female workers affected by the crisis is a key component to ensuring that no one is left behind in Sri

Lanka's socioeconomic recovery efforts. This is direct relief and recovery, and the initiative will test new approaches to inform future social protection policy thinking," he said.

SLTDA Chairperson Kimarli Fernando said that the programme will directly support 900 women selected from the nine Provinces in Sri Lanka. "Project initiatives will benefit at least 3,500 men and women indirectly throughout the country. This will be a grant and it will be a relief to the affected parties. Tourism authorities in the Provincial Councils have

been asked to identify women engaged in the tourism sector and women who have already registered with the SLTDA who will also be considered for the selection. Selecting beneficiaries will be done by a panel transparently. Each selected beneficiary will get assistance worth Rs. 50,000. The selected women will receive business development services to enhance their skills for alternative livelihood development. A system will be set up to follow up with grant recipients to support them to utilise the grant for developing a complimentary

livelihood with the support of provincial tourism authorities. Women entrepreneurs and those who want to be businesspersons will be further supported to obtain business registration with the SLTDA, enabling them access to livelihood support from the Government in the future".

Citi Country Officer Ravin Basnayake said that Citi once again pledges its unwavering commitment to serve the local community, on national level efforts to fight against the pandemic. "We are proud of our partnership with the UNDP and the SLTDA on this timely initiative that demonstrates our shared commitment to women's economic empowerment. We will continue to demonstrate Citi's values through our philanthropic efforts to make a difference to those in need," he said.

The project will engage provincial councils to identify the women entrepreneurs to sustain the efforts of the initiative. The programme is in-line with the UN framework for the immediate socio-economic response to COVID-19 that calls on countries to build forward better.

#### 6th Year Remembrance



#### LAL JAYAWARDHENA

Today dawns the sixth sad year without you, Although I cannot see you I hear your voice and you are by my side, Leading me along life's journey, You are a part of my life in everything I do, Beautiful memories silently kept. Of the one I loved and will never forget. I will always love and cherish you, You are all the world to me.

#### **REST IN PEACE DARLING LAL** Away from all sorrow and pain,

When my life's journey is ended We will meet again never to part.

Your Ever loving wife Dorothy.

#### Indian Deputy HC calls on **Ministry Secretary**

Deputy High Commissioner of India Vinod K. Jacob met Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs Ministry Secretary Prof. Kapila Gunawardena to discuss implementing the USD 15 million grant from India to promote Buddhist ties between India and Sri Lanka. The Grant was announced by Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during the Virtual Bilateral Summit between India and Sri Lanka on September 26.

The Deputy High Commissioner said that this is a first grant announcement by India. He said that the grant may be utilised for constructing/renovating Buddhist monasteries, capacity development, cultural exchanges, archaeological cooperation, reciprocal exposition of the Buddha's relics, strengthening engagement of Buddhist scholars and clergy.

Prof. Kapila Gunawardena welcomed the suggestions and said that the Ministry will work towards finalising various projects to use the grant from India.

The two sides discussed other Indian grant projects under implementation such as the Kandyan Dancing School being constructed at the Sri Lanka International Buddhist Academy (SIBA) campus in Pallekele, Kandy and the Jaffna Cultural Centre.

The Deputy High Commissioner briefed the Secretary on India's advancements in the niche field of digital documentation of cultural and world heritage sites to preserve them for posterity and invited Sri Lanka to partner in this advanced field. Prof. Kapila Gunawardena said that Sri Lanka happy to partner with India in the initiative.



The Aham Humanitarian Resource Centre in Trincomalee provided a consignment of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to the Trincomalee Zonal Education Office to be issued to the students sitting for the Grace V and A/L Exams, Invigilators, Supervisors, Officers and employees of the Examination Centres. Here Aham **Humanitarian Resource Centre Chief Coordinator Kandumnani** Lavakusarasa (left) handing over the consignment to the Zonal Director of Education S. Sritharan (right). Picture by M.A. Phakurdeen, Addalaichenai Group Corr.

#### Simplify permit procedure to curtail delays in construction field Minister Johnston

**IRANGIKA RANGE** 

Highways Minister Johnston Fernando yesterday requested the Defence Ministry to set up a simple method to grant rock and gravel permits to avoid delays in the construction industry. The decision was made to ensure supplying sufficient stocks of raw materials to implement 1,00,000 km road network project of the Government.

Delay in issuing

permits is causing

tional costs, it was revealed. The Minister advised Ministry Secretary R.W.R.

Pemasiri to provide

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where these raw material deposits are located to Geological Survey and Mines Bureau, Wild Life Department, Central Environment Authority and Archaeological Department and get their approvals without delay.

# Jayewardenepura Hospital to undergo revamp

Minister Pavithra Wanniarachchi visited the Sri Jayewardenepura Hospital on Saturday.

The main objective of the visit was to further enhance the patient care services provided by the Jayewardenepura Hospital. The Minister visited the wards of the hospital and observed their condi-

Chairman, Director and other administrative officers of the hospital the existing issues regarding hospital administration, hospital staff issues and trade union issues. The Health Minister observed that to further upgrade the services provided by this hospital, the procedures and administrative procedures of the hospital from its inception to

date needed to be changed. The hospital administration and the relevant officials were instructed to submit a report with a new programme. Maj. Gen. Dr. Sanjeewa Munasinghe, Secretary to the Ministry of Health, Dr. Sunil de Alwis, Additional Secretary, Dr. S.D Jayaratne, Chairman of the Hospital, Dr. Ratnasiri A. Hewage, Director of the Hospital and the Chief Nurse were present during the visit.



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#### Motorcyclist killed in accident

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A motorcyclist was killed in a head-on collision of his vehicle with a bowser which was transporting fuel, in the Madala area,

The deceased has been identified as Sasanka Thivankara Perera (25), a resident of Karandana, Kiriella. The residents and police had to make a concerted effort to remove the motorcycle from under the bowser after the

The motorcyclist was admitted to the Ingiriya Hospital in a critical condition, but succumbed to his injuries.



The motorcycle collided with a bowser resulting in the death of the rider. Picture by Ingiriya Central

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Notice is hereby given that the eleventh

(11th) Annual General Meeting (AGM) of People's Insurance PLC

which was scheduled to be held on 14th October 2020 is postponed,

having taken in to account the prevailing situation in the country due to

the outbreak of the Corona virus (Covid-19) and in

accordance with the instructions issued by the Ministry of Health in

Media Release dated 06th October 2020 on "Public Gatherings."

The new date of the AGM will be notified by

way of a further announcement.

By Order of the Board of People's Insurance PLC,

Lakmini Kottegoda

Company Secretary

#### B640 road construction to be speeded up

Rural Roads and Other Infrastructure State Minister Nimal Lanza gave orders for the expediting of the construction of the B640 - Nainamadama - Iranawila - Chilaw road on the Peliyagoda - Puttalam main road to ease traffic congestion in Wennappuwa, Marawila, Mahawewa, Madampe and Chilaw.

The State Minister gave these instructions during an inspection of the construction work of the road from Nainamadama to Chilaw via Iranawila, on Saturday.

Accordingly, the construction of 20.75 km of the road which runs parallel to the coast has been expedited. The cost of this road which will have two lanes is Rs. 800 million.

The State Minister instructed project officers to construct a bicycle lane in the Iranawila area, an exercise lane in the

Chilaw area, the planting of wetakeya plants to prevent erosion and planting of magul karada plants near the coast, on both sides of the road.

The construction of the road will bring many economic benefits to the people of the area, including the promotion of local and foreign tourism, and the facilitation of the business activities of the fishing com-

Rural and Regional Drinking Water Supply Projects State Minister Sanath Nishantha, Secretary to the Ministry of Highways R.W.R. Pemasiri, Executive Engineer, Chilaw, B.P.K.G. Kapukotuwa and others were present on the occasion.

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#### The panic tactic doesn't work

he Stock Exchange rally and the noises made in Parliament attempting to embarrass the Minister of Health are in stark contrast. There is no going around the fact that it appears that MP Lakshman Kiriella and others appear to be rather gleeful that there was a Covid outbreak, which they saw as being an escalation to a next level of the

But the Health Minister was right when she was cautiously optimistic. When she says that a cluster has been contained, the Opposition blames her when another one emerges. They harangue her for having played down the pandemic and celebrated too early.

She had done nothing of the sort. The health authorities are only too aware that the pandemic is far from over. There is every chance that sporadic clusters would emerge, but that is not to say that the virus is raging in society at large.

The Health Minister is entitled to state this fact in parliament, but each time a cluster appears and there is some anxiety as a result of it, opposition politicians predict a doomsday scenario, and blame the minister.

Fortunately, those who invest their monies in the bourse are much more sophisticated and have read the signals properly. The initial reaction of a downward spiral is all too understandable but, the Market rally two days subsequent to that is a sign of an astute reading of the signals, and is a general reflection of sentiment in most quarters that the government has a successful strategy to tie down sporadic clusters.

Lakshman Kiriella is hardly the person to venture granting a certificate to anyone planning any serious crisis curtailment strategy. This is the MP who famously said in parliament that any bovine can go to war and stood by his colleague who proffered that the forces are 'going to Pamankada thinking it's Alimankada.'

The people have not necessarily forgotten this level of cynical discouragement and insensitivity. Trained ears would take anything Kiriella says with a grain of salt, especially when it pertains to an important matter, such as fighting a pandemic that has ravaged economies all over the world, and is not showing any signs of slowing down anytime

This government acquired the ability to control the contagion cluster by cluster by taking control of the larger picture at the beginning. But, there is the usual overreaction and the absurd attempts at rumour mongering that goes with it

One person was arrested for circulating a panic inducing communique on social media with a forged presidential secretariat letterhead as a prop. Sick antics and overreactions based sometimes on calculations for personal and political gain abound.

In that context, the reaction in the Stock Market is laudable as it indicates that there is a sophistication that is evident in assessing events and their repercussions, which discounts the type of scare mongering that's resorted to by certain opposition parliamentarians. Most scare mongering, the truth be told, is targeted at wrecking economies and slowing down business.

The Opposition can do better than try to create panic. The MPs could at the very least ruminate about the disasters they caused when they were faced with crisis when in power. Hardly a day goes by without somebody in the then government or some top official blaming someone else for the debacle that was the Easter Sunday calamity.

Former MP Sagala Ratnayake has weighed in recently and blamed the former president for various acts of omission. Cognizant of the order of chaos they created, the collective opposition no matter which party they represent, should be careful when they try to pick holes in the crisis management strategy of the present government.

They should remind themselves that they are not in power. There is no likelihood of factional infighting getting in the way of focused crisis control that's properly coordinated and delegated, that obtains now. This government is different, and by now the Opposition should get that.

People should be vigilant, but by and large the emergence of clusters at times is almost inevitable. There could be contributory reasons for such occurrences, such as unexpected breaches of the isolation regimen when persons return home from abroad.

This could be due to one or two miscreants or it could be due to a particular PHI being remiss in his duties or some such eventuality, for which the people cannot be blamed. The favourite cry of the Opposition seems to be that the government signaled that everything is over.

The government wants business as usual because there is an economy to sustain, but that does not mean that people have been given carte blanche to return to absolute normalcy. It's a fine balance that has to be maintained, and the signals should not be of chaos or indifference as was the case when Opposition politicians such as Kiriella let out a belly laugh at a press conference when asked about the Easter Sunday calamity.

The frontline workers are also not to be discouraged and that's a cardinal rule as well. On successive occasions they have functioned admirably in the line of duty. Health care workers and the army as well as those who man the essential services are all heroes in these times, and perhaps picky opposition politicians can register some appreciation for these people when they get the urge in future to knockdown the government's crisis management response.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Panic is our great enemy -Melody Beattie



and all. It is because it is the biggest ever cluster reported from Sri Lanka and it is widespread. But the most pathetic factor is it is the hardest to control due to the 'hide and seek' game suspected individuals connected to this latest cluster. They are hiding here and there in the country making it impossible for the relevant authorities to locate them and put them into the relevant procedure applied for all COVID-19 persons found from Sri Lanka so far

since January this year. Why did COVID-19 positive individuals not hide during the previous occasions? Who is hiding from whom? Why are they hiding? What if this 'hide and seek' game continues? What can be the result? These are the burning questions in front of the ordinary citizens of this country at the moment. We should not be biased at this moment.

Earlier COVID-19 positive individuals did not hide from authorities. Only a handful of them avoided them and ignored them. Some of those COVID-19 positive cases ended up six feet under the ground as a result of playing this 'hide and seek' game. One example is the COVID-19 positive wealthy businessman reported from Mount Lavinia in the early months of the epidemic. Many did not hide because they wanted to stay alive and keep their family members alive. No one was willing to help them to hide. Thousands of dead bodies were shown on television every night.

But this latest COVID-19 cluster reported from the Minuwangoda garment factory is different from all the previous clusters. The majority of the COVID-19 positive cases started the 'hide and seek' game from the beginning. They were well prepared to play the game even before giving specimen for PRC Tests. They gave wrong names, addresses and contact numbers to authorities. After giving samples to do PCR Tests, they vanished into thin air without a trace. Our intelligence units worked hard and traced many of them as soon as possible.

They planned and hid from all relevant authorities, especially from health authorities (Public Health Inspectors (PHIs) of relevant areas) due to many reasons. They were afraid of losing their jobs, losing their boarding houses, etc. They did not want to spend 14 days away from their usual lifestyle which is much more independent than any other Sri Lankan citizens. The most important factor is they did not see any dead bodies in Sri Lanka, especially the dead bodies of young people. Recently no one died from Corona in Sri Lanka.

Maybe they hide inside their rented rooms in busy towns, at homes belonging to relations, friends or lovers. Maybe they hide inside homes of ignorant powerful individuals! who knows. What if they continue this hide and

die very easily from COVID-19 no matter how hard our health staff try to save their lives with modern medical equipment and drugs.

Those who are still hiding and conplayed by some COVID-19 positive and cealing the truth put their own health in danger without obtaining relevant medical treatment. Some foreign news reports stated that some young individuals who got infected with the COVID-19 virus and received medical treatment had not fully recovered and suffered for months and may be for the rest of their lives with various mental and physical weaknesses in their bodies. Those are from rich countries with facilities and good food, not like our poor garment factory workers who do not have nutritional food or at least fresh air to breath. So there are no home remedies for Corona as always mentioned in social media.

Maybe those who are still hiding have already given the infection to the other individuals staying at the same house with them. Those who stay inside the houses may have given the infection to many others such as their visitors, the people from the places they visit etc. Maybe the virus is now with many others from various other areas of the country. We cannot forget the fact that the virus was there without detection for about two or three weeks and got detected after that.

What we can do now? It is very simple. It is preventing ourselves from getting infected. We can do this by simply following all health guidelines all the time. By now every single human being living on this planet knows what to do and what not to do. No matter where the COVID-19 virus is we all can protect our lives from it. It is not a waste of space if I mention once again what to do and what not to

We have to do a few simple things. The first thing is maintaining mindfulness all the time. Even one second is enough for Corona to enter into your body. One touch of face is enough to destroy all your efforts. Therefore Those who are still hiding and concealing the truth put their own health in danger without obtaining relevant medical treatment. Some foreign news reports stated that some young individuals who got infected with the COVID-19 virus and received medical treatment had not fully recovered and suffered for months and may be for the rest of their lives with various mental and physical weaknesses in their bodies. Those are from rich countries with facilities and good food, not like our poor garment factory workers who do not have nutritional food or at least fresh air to breath. So there are no home remedies for Corona as always

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maintaining mindfulness is very important. In other words it is being conscious all the time and not forgetting about COVID-19 even for a second in your day to day life.

Then you have to maintain at least a one meter distance from all the others all the time no matter where you go and what you do. It is good if you can do this even when you are at home because the family members travel to their workplaces etc and move with outsiders. It is not that difficult to do it and the only time we face hardships is while travelling in public transport. Even when travelling by public transport, we can try to keep one meter distance and be ready all the time to face the impossible by wearing a standard three layer mask.

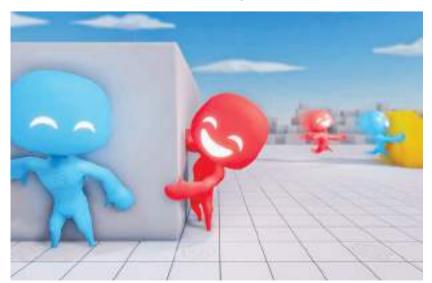
We have to wear a standard three layer mask whenever we go out no matter where we go or when we go. We have to wear it and avoid touching or adjusting it once we wear it.We should touch it only to remove it after washing our hands for 30 seconds with soap and water. We should not touch the mask before this. Not touching the mask keeps it fit. The mask should cover

both nose and mouth and not only mouth. In Sinhala we say 'Muwa awarana' and sometimes people tend to think 'Muwa' is the mouth. But in Sinhala, the word means `face' and not the

Then we have to wash our hands for 30 seconds with soap and water. There is no point if you touch anywhere in your face (not only mouth, eyes and nose) before washing your hands. You should not touch anything else from your hands between the time you wash your hands and touching your face. This is the most important part of hand washing and touching the face. There are times when you cannot find soap and water. What you can do is using a standard hand sanitizer available at any supermarket or other shops. Once you buy a hand sanitizer, you can use it for some time because you need it only when soap and water are not available.

Your responsibility does not end there. Did you notice anyone 'new' around your neighbourhood? A person who is a stranger or a person who rarely visited your area before and now resides in your area? A sudden increase of family members of a neighbouring family? A strange man or woman who stays inside a nearby hotel room? A daughter or son of a neighbouring family who work outstations and came for a vacation? Maybe this person is hiding from relevant authorities after getting infected of COVID-19 and posing a threat to you and your loved ones. Take the phone and call the police now.

No matter who organizes what event you can avoid visiting these events because at the moment, the most important thing is protecting your life and the lives of your loved ones. If you understood what I said in above 1500 words, you will stay at home without going to meetings, functions, parties, weddings, alms givings, exhibitions, musical shows and such public events no matter what it is and who organised



#### **WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME:**

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bestowed on the Rome-based World Food Programme (WFP), the United Nations and its affiliated agencies continue to hold a monopoly of one of the world's most prestigious annual awards.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres described the WFP as the "world's first responder on the frontlines of food insecurity."

In a world of plenty, he pointed out, it is unconscionable that hundreds of millions go to bed each night hungry. Millions more are now on the precipice of famine due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The women and men of the WFP brave danger and distance to deliver life-saving sustenance to those devastated by conflict, to people suffering because of disaster, to children and families uncertain about their next meal," Guterres declared.

He also singled out David Beasley, WFP Executive Director, and the entire staff of the World Food Programme, for advancing the values of the United Nations every day and serving the cause of "we the peoples" as the Organization marks its 75th anniversary year.

In a video statement on social media, Beasley said: "It's because of the WFP family: they are out there in the most difficult, complex places in the world, where there's war, conflict, climate extremes – it doesn't matter. They are out there and they deserve this award."

"This is the first time I've been speechless This is unbelievable. And Wow! Wow! Wow! Wow!" an exhilarated Beasley, a former Governor of the US state of South Carolina (1995-1999), said.

Beginning with the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (1954 and 1981), the UN recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize also include Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold (1961), the UN children's agency UNICEF (1965), the International Labour Organization (1969), the UN Peace-keeping Forces (1988), the United Nations and Secretary-General Kofi Annan (2001), the International Atomic Energy Agency (2005), the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (2007) and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (2013).

The award also went to the predecessor to the United Nations: League of Nations (1938) for its work on aiding refugees, and to Ralph Bunche (1950), Director of the UN Division of Trusteeship, and Acting Mediator in Palestine. The Chief of the Climate and Disaster Risk Reduction Programmes at WFP, Gernot Laganda told IPS: "As WFP staff, we are humbled and moved by this honour. Many colleagues have spent years – some decades – working to increase food security for hungry people who have had their lives torn apart by conflict, climatic extremes or economic shocks."

He said some of his colleagues have lost their lives in the line of duty.

"Every WFP staff, from Executive Director David Beasley to our local colleagues working in the most difficult conditions in the deep field, sees the Norwegian Nobel Committee's vote as a recognition that the 690 million hungry people in the world have the right to live an active and healthy life, free from conflict and with safety nets against increasing climate extremes and disasters."

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"This recognition will inspire all of us to work even harder, to save lives and change lives on the pathway to Zero Hunger," said Laganda, who joined WFP from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), where he managed the world's largest climate change adaptation programme for smallholder farmers.

Dr John Coonrod, Executive Vice President of the Washington-based Hunger Project, told IPS: "An excellent choice."

"In a world where conflict has forced millions to go hungry, the World Food Programme brings relief and dignity. UN agencies like WFP take on the toughest challenges in the world and deserve everyone's support," said Dr Coonrod, who is also Coordinator and co-founder of the Movement for Community-led Development.

Danielle Nierenberg, President of the US-based Food Tank, told IPS there are few organizations in the world poised to confront the multiple challenges of the pandemic, the climate crisis, inequality, and food and nutrition insecurity, like the World Food Programme.

"During COVID-19, they have continued to be on the frontlines confronting all of these challenges. Their work has never been more important or necessary.

"I'm grateful that the Nobel Commission decided to make a statement this year commending an organization that has as its mission to nourish the world," said Nierenberg.

Congratulating WFP, Oxfam International's interim Executive Director, Chema Vera told IPS it is a timely and urgent recognition to the work that WFP does in fighting the scourge of global hunger. At a time when more than 135 million people in

55 countries around the world are facing severe to crisis levels of food insecurity, this recognition must also be a clarion call for wider and immediate action.

The UN's \$10.3 billion humanitarian appeal is today barely 40 percent funded – and within that, the money needed for global food security and nutrition are the most under-funded parts of the entire appeal.

The international community should fully fund the UN appeal now and accompany that with the strongest political action to support the Secretary-General's call for a global ceasefire.

"We must break the bond between conflict and hunger and work collectively towards peace," said

Laganda of WFP told IPS that "a message that is important from my own role in the organization working on climate and disaster risk reduction programmes is that WFP and its partners are facing an uphill battle."

He pointed out that climate disasters are increasing in frequency and intensity, "and we see a growing interplay between climate and conflict."

Hunger is on the rise, and there is not enough humanitarian financing to go around to catch up with these growing needs.

"This is why we need to complement our everpresent readiness to respond with longer-term programmes which strengthen capacities for risk reduction, prevention and resilience-building, said Laganda, who formerly served as Humanitarian Program Specialist with the Austrian Development Agency and managed climate and environmental programmes with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in South Africa and the Asia/ Pacific region.

He said not many people are aware of this, but apart from being a cutting-edge operational agency for emergency response, WFP is also an excellent partner for governments who are working to strengthen systems for risk management – from climate information and early warning systems to social protection and climate insurance solutions.

To manage the growing humanitarian impacts of climate change over the next few years and decades, he noted, "We will not only need to prepare for more costly responses to more frequent and intense climate disasters – we also need to front-load investments into forward-looking programmes that can help us mitigate and prevent predictable emergencies."

"The time for such investments is now, and I am hoping that the honour of this year's Nobel peace prize can increase global visibility for this type of work," said Laganda.

Frederic Mousseau, Policy Director at the Oakland Institute, told IPS, "This Peace prize is well deserved given the incredible role played by WFP in bringing essential food relief in war situations such as Yemen, Afghanistan, or Somalia, in often highly dangerous and challenging conditions for its staff."

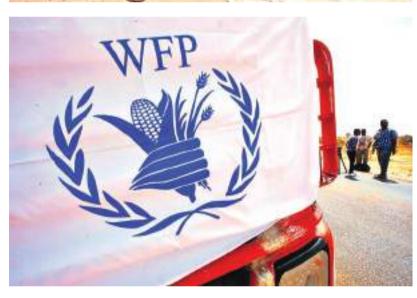
This said, global hunger is a problem, he argued, that can't be solved by delivering food, especially when it is procured in the US, WFP's primary donor by far, which has for decades prioritized sending in-kind food aid as a way to support its own agriculture, undermining farmers in the Global South as a result.

To address global hunger in a decisive way, rich countries should provide financial assistance and policy space to countries so they can promote their own agriculture and industries. Unfortunately, the reality is that rich nations - also the main food exporters - don't do that and continue to export their own agricultural products and finance emergency food aid when famines arise, said Mousseau. (IPS)









# 'Fear-Day' and days of fear





here's a girl probably around 10 years of age who is given to circling important days on her calendar. She has circled her birthday and those of her immediate family, I am told. Along with the particular name. Perhaps she has circled the birthdays of her closest friends as well.

This is something that other children probably do too. Adults also do it. Some with a passion. All this in addition to appointment diaries and alerts scripted into mobile devices, day planners and secretaries.

What's special about this girl is that she had circled a date and made a strange note next to it: 'Baya Dinaya' or 'Fear Date'. Date of fear. Date to be feared. The 11th day of October, 2020. That's today (as I write). Why?

Well, she's a Grade 5 student and this is the day of the Scholarship Exam.

Now there is a big discussion about the Grade Five Scholarship Exam. Some believe it should be scrapped, others disagree. This is not about that debate.

There are children who eagerly anticipate examinations because they are well-prepared or super smart. Most, however, even the super smart and well-prepared, get nervous, especially when it comes to critical exams. In a situation where a high score at the Scholarship Exam opens the door to a good school and a more assured future, it is not unnatural for kids to be nervous. Most times, it's the anxieties of the parents that rub off on their kids. This too must be mentioned. Not a good thing for 10-year-old kids, but that's another story.

The date is one to cause fear, so the little girl wrote. Inquiries revealed that she's actually quite a free spirit, highly intelligent and creative, and endowed with above average analytical skills. Apart from the usual nerves associated with an important exam, the 11th of October couldn't be a date that warranted special mention along with the tag 'fear.'

She marked it that way. Maybe that's what it is for all her friends too. Maybe there's a sobering element that she heard too often in school. I don't know. But that's how it is: 'Baya Dinaya.'

The positive thing about such days is that they get done and regardless of how the day went, the 'it's done' part of it offers some kind of relief.

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It's different when it comes to the plurality of fear-days. Night ends and it is not dawn that breaks but another dark 24 hours.

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but another dark 24 hours. Fear does not abate. Anxiety doesn't retire itself. This country has seen such periods. The end of the '80s was one such era. Only, 'fear' was not the tag but 'terror.' The *Bheeshanaya*, it was called, or '(Period of) Terror.' Death literally knocked on people's doors.

We also had the three-decade-long struggle against terrorism. It was the randomness of various attacks on civilian targets that made every single day a fear-day. The *Bheeshanaya* wasn't that random. Vigilante groups roamed all over the country. However, in periods of armed conflict, those who actually lived in what is ironically called 'Theater of War,' have fear-days (plural), one after another and then another and another. Nights bleeding into new

nights, as black and foreboding.

And now we have Covid-19 days. Fear-days. Plural. Unlike an exam day, the clock doesn't run out on fear. It's an hourglass that is turned upside down the moment the sand runs out.

The (relatively) positive thing about it is that safety protocols become second nature. Vigilance, vigilance and vigilance once again. Not a happy place to be in but that's the price one has to pay for safety.

We are in 'fear-days' now. The hours may or may not run out, but not in the foreseeable future. We can't mark a date with a circle, worry about it, suffer through it when it finally arrives and breathe easier when the day is done.

The little girl, as I write, is answering a question paper. She's a spirited child. She'll smile regardless of the outcome, I am sure. And this I wish for every single child whose fear-hours will end shortly.

Monday is a fear-day too. This is for those sitting the GCE A/L Examination. It will be done by the end of the month. Children will be fretting now. Well, most of them. Let's wish them the right level of tension, nothing more. And relief that will break out in incredible smiles.

Meanwhile, let's face these days of fear resolutely. We can.

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# India infections top seven million as Trump gets back on campaign trail

**NEW DELHI SUNDAY:** India's coronavirus cases surged past seven million on Sunday as US President Donald Trump got back on the campaign trail just nine days after announcing he had contracted Covid-19.

Governments across the globe are struggling to keep up with a sharp rise in infections and manage growing public frustration over new restrictions as the pandemic enters a second deadly wave.

Since it emerged in China late last year, it has killed more than one million worldwide, infected nearly 37 million and forced millions more out of work as the pandemic batters the global economy.

Indian health ministry data Sunday showed a rise of almost 75,000 cases, taking the total to 7.05 million -- second only to the US which has recorded 7.67 million infections.

But experts say the true number may be much higher, with testing rates in the country of 1.3 billion people - home to some of the planet's most crowded cities - much lower than elsewhere in the world.

The new figures come a day after Trump rallied hundreds of supporters at the White House, jumping back on the campaign trail nine days after being stopped in his tracks by a disease his doctor says he is no longer at risk of spreading.

"I am feeling great!" Trump declared as he stepped out to a White House balcony Saturday - tugging off his mask to address the

Most of them were masked under their red "Make America Great Again" hats, but with little social distancing.

Trump's doctor issued a statement saying he was fit for a "safe return to public engage-

His appearance set the stage for a fullfledged campaign rally Monday in Florida -followed immediately by two more in battleground Pennsylvania Tuesday and Iowa Wednesday ahead of the November 3 election.

#### Not the time to party

In Europe, the virus closed doors early Saturday on the German capital's legendary nightlife, with bars and restaurants ordered shut at 11:00 pm (2100 GMT) in Berlin under a partial curfew announced until October 31.



People wearing facemasks as a preventive measure against the Covid-19 coronavirus shop along the roadside in a market area in the old quarters of New Delhi on October 11, 2020. - India's coronavirus cases surged past seven million on October 11, taking it ever closer to overtaking the United States as the world's most infected country. AFP

"This is not the time to party," said Berlin mayor Michael Muller in a message addressed to young people, who are driving new infections higher. "We can and we want to prevent another more severe confinement." Latin America and the Caribbean marked 10 million cases Saturday and with more than 360,000 deaths, the region is the worst hit in terms of fatalities, according to official figures.

Brazil's virus death toll passed 150,000 people on Saturday, according to health ministry figures, although the rate of new coronavirus infections continues to slow in the South American country.

Authorities in France reported a record 27,000 new infections in a single day Saturday, although numbers in intensive care remained far short of peaks seen in the spring.

#### **Health above all**

Spiralling cases in France have led to fears that the government may need to impose local lockdowns in major cities, which would mimic measures already announced in Spain where the government has prevented people leaving the Madrid region.

Residents can only leave the Spanish capital for work, school or medical reasons as part of restrictions that have been denounced by the city's right-wing authorities.

"We've always placed public health above all other considerations," Prime Minister

Pedro Sanchez said during a visit to Portugal. In Poland, authorities told people to wear face masks in all public spaces after coronavirus cases hit a new record daily high of 4,280.

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson, who himself spent time in hospital for the virus in April, is to outline a new three-tier lockdown system on Monday.

Local leaders bristled at the plans, with Manchester mayor Andy Burnham saying that "we will not surrender our residents to hardship this Christmas or our businesses to fail-

#### Heavy shelling and civilian casualties dash hopes for Karabakh ceasefire

**STEPANAKERT SUNDAY:** Hopes that a Russian-brokered ceasefire between Armenia and Azerbaijan might hold were further dashed Sunday, with both sides accusing the other of intense shelling on civilian areas and escalating two weeks of fierce clashes.

Azerbaijan's foreign ministry said that overnight shelling by Armenian forces on the country's second largest city, Ganja, had left seven people dead and 33 wounded including children, less than 24 hours after the halt to fighting was supposed to take effect.

Rescuers in red helmets dug through piles of debris with their bare hands in search of signs of survivors, an AFP journalist in the city reported.

They retrieved one nearly naked body and gingerly put it in a white bag to be taken away in an ambulance while several horrified residents watched on and wept. One witness said they were woken by a huge blast that levelled an entire square block of one- and two-floor houses in the early hours of the morning, leaving nine apartments destroyed.

"Everything I've worked for my entire life has been destroyed," said resident Zagit Aliyev, 68.

The agreement to pause hostilities in order to exchange prisoners and the bodies of people killed after two weeks of fighting over the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region was approved by Armenian and Azerbaijani foreign ministers in marathon Russia-brokered talks in Moscow.

#### An absolute lie

The truce officially entered into force at noon on Saturday but both sides almost

immediately accused each other of viola-

On Sunday, the defence ministry in the breakaway region insisted Armenian forces were respecting the humanitarian ceasefire and in turn accused Azerbaijan of shelling civilian-populated areas.

Claims that Armenian forces were responsible for shelling Ganja were "an absolute lie," it added.

The leader of the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region, Arayik Harutyunyan, described the situation as "calmer" on Sunday, but warned that the truce was precarious.

An AFP journalist in the administrative capital of Stepanakert, which has been subjected to heavy bombings since the fighting erupted and is pockmarked with deep craters and unexploded ordnance, reported hearing loud explosions throughout the night.

Vahram Poghosyan, a spokesman for Karabakh's leader, said the overnight shelling on Stepanakert was "a disrespect of the agreements reached in Moscow," and called on the international community to recognise the province's independence as a way to end the fighting. New fighting broke out late last month, stemming from a long-simmering disagreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan over Karabakh.

The disputed territory is an ethnic Armenian enclave in Azerbaijan, home to about 150,000 people, which broke from Azerbaijan's control in a war in the 1990s that killed some 30,000 people.

Its separatist government is strongly backed by Armenia, which like Azerbaijan gained independence with the 1991 collapse of the Soviet Union. (AFP)



Rescuers carry away the body of a victim at the blast site hit by a rocket during the fighting between Armenia and Azerbaijan over the breakaway region of Nagorno-Karabakh, in the city of Ganja, Azerbaijan, on October 11, 2020. AFP

#### Turkish Cypriots vote for new leader

**NICOSIA SUNDAY:** The self-proclaimed Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus was voting on Sunday for a new leader amid heightened tensions on the divided island and in the wider eastern Mediterranean.

The presidential election in the breakaway region pits the

who supports the reunification of Cyprus, against nation- Varosha for the first time in alist Ersin Tatar, who is decades. backed by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

The vote in the TRNC, which is recognised only by Ankara, comes three days after Turkish troops angered the Republic of Cyrus, an EU

That move sparked protests in the majority Greek-speaking Republic of Cyprus, which exercises its authority over the island's southern two thirds, separated from the north by a UN-patrolled buffer



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# Toyota to install assembly line in SL

If govt continues with import restrictions

Wimal Weerawansa with Akira Sugiyama at the Ministry of Industries.

The Toyota Lanka Company is keen to set up a Toyota vehicle assembly plant in Sri Lanka if the

government keeps the car import

restrictions for a period of ten

'This was indicated by top officials of the Toyota Lanka Company' said Minister of Industries Wimal Weerawansa to Ambassador

of Japan to Sri Lanka Akira Sugiy-

last week at the Ministry of Industries. The Minister said that the Ambassador has promised to take this proposal up with the top officials of the Toyota Company in Japan and positive feedback was

ama when the duo met in Colombo

Toyota's corporate structure consisted of 364,445 employees worldwide and, as of December 2019,

was the tenth-largest company in the world by revenue. Toyota was the world's first automobile manufacturer to produce more than 10 million vehicles per year, which it has done since 2012. Toyota has factories in most parts of the world, manufacturing or assembling vehicles for local markets.

The Minister and the Ambassador of Japan also discussed ways to woo Japanese investors especially in the Agriculture sector to explore the possibility of forming joint ventures for agro value addition projects with Sri Lankan counterparts.

Minister said that the government will provide all necessary support for Japanese entrepreneurs to invest in Sri Lanka. Several officials from the Japanese Embassy and Minister also participated.

#### Increase awareness of 'Made in Sri Lanka' products in int'l markets

#### To increase business opportunities

Sri Lankan fresh fruits & vegetable exporters should increase awareness for products 'Made in Sri Lanka' in international markets to increase business opportunities said Chief Delegate of the Delegation of German Industry and Commerce in Sri Lanka, (AHK Sri Lanka) Andreas Hergenröther.

He was addressing a press conference organized by AHK and export-oriented compa-

Sri Lanka with Sri Lankan agricultural sector stakeholders and export-oriented SMEs.

ference was to raise awareness about the significance of participating in Fruit Logistica - a specialized international trade show for fruits, vegetables, and spices, and increasing opportunities for local industry stakeholders

nies. The trade show scheduled to happen from February 3-5, 2021 in Berlin, will The aim of the press con-

for Fruit Logistica.

further showcase innovative machinery, digitalization, automation, and network technology, with special focus on greenhouse technology. AHK Sri Lanka is the official representative in Sri Lanka

Fruit Logistica is the world's leading trade fair for

fruits, vegetables, and spices, attracting more than 3,300 exhibitors from over 90 countries, and more than 72,000 trade visitors from over 135 countries. The trade show offers exhibitors an international platform with total visibility for fresh produce and other agricultural products, while providing an opportunity for face-to-face meetings with potential business part-



Andreas Hergenröther.

ners and strengthening existing business relations with suppliers and customers.

#### No need to close BOI zones - FTZMA secretary

#### No alarming rise of COVID virus

**SHIRAJIV SIRIMANE** 

The Free Trade Zone Manufacturers Association (FTZMA) says that there is no need to close the Katunayake Export Processing Zone (KIPZ) or any other BOI zones since there is no alarming rise of the COVID virus in the zone.

Secretary FTZMA, Dhammika Fernando said that over 10 workers from two factories in the zone were identified positive at the time of this copy going to press and the two factories were temporarily shut down due to quarantine measures. None of the other factories have detected any COVID patients so far."

Fernando who was the past President of the FTZMA stressed that the COVID virus spread to these two factories from 'Manpower workers who were from outside the KIPZ and worked at these two institutions on a temporary basis. "We have now proposed to temporarily halt the entry of all manpower workers to KIPZ."

He said that strict health measures are deployed and strictly maintained by the KIPZ factories. "Over 90% of the staff of KIPZ are provided free transport and when employees board a vehicle or enter a factory

they are tested for fever and if the designated temperature is exceeded they are refused entry to the bus or to the factory.' In addition the FTZMA

companies with four private hospitals designated by the government health authorities carry random PCR tests on staff daily and these factories pay around Rs. 6,200 for each test. In addition all employees are provided gloves and masks free of charge.

He said that there are around 33,000 employees in KIPZ (largest zone in the country) but now only around 7,000 report to work and this is due to lockdowns in some areas. "We appeal from the government to explore the possibility of coming up with a scheme to



Dhammika Fernando

back to work as the peak season for BOI zones export orders are coming up." He said that all the BOI zones together have brought in export revenue in the excess of Rs. 620 billion last

# **Current Account bailed** out by migrant workers and exports

recover in August 2020, mainly supported by an improved trade deficit and a notable increase in workers' remittances

Export performance remained strong for the third consecutive month despite the pandemic affected global demand. In the financial account, marginal foreign investment outflows were recorded from the government securities market, while the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) also recorded some foreign investment outflows during the month.

Meanwhile, terms of trade, the ratio of the price of exports to the price of imports improved by 4.6% (year-on-year) in August 2020 as import prices declined at a faster pace than the decline in export pric-

Earnings from merchandise, exports declined both on a year-on-year basis as well as on a month-on-month basis in August 2020. Accordingly, merchandise exports declined to US dollars 947 million in August 2020 compared to US dollars 1,033 million recorded in August 2019 and US dollars 1,085 million recorded in

A notable increase was recorded in earnings from personal protective equipment (PPE) such as face masks and protective suits.

Tea exports declined by 13.3% on a year on year basis. Earnings from mineral exports declined in August 2020, year-onyear, led by lower earnings from ores, slag and ash exports, although earnings from earth and stone exports increased.

The export volume index improved by 3.2%, on a yearon-year basis, while the unit value index deteriorated by 11.2%, on a year-on-year basis, in August 2020, indicating that the year-on-year decline in earnings from exports was, on average, driv-

en by lower export prices. Year on year merchandise imports recorded a decline of 18.1% to US dollars 1,289

million in August 2020. The expenditure on inte diate goods imports declined in August 2020, year-on-year, due to declines recorded in

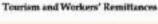
Sri Lanka's external sector continued to most of the subcategories including textiles and textile articles (-16.7%), fuel (-5.2%) and fertilizer (-74.4%).

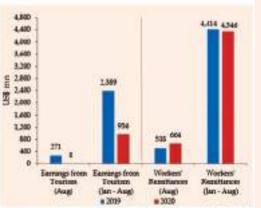
> The expenditure on investment goods declined notably, with declines in all sub categories in August 2020, on a year-onyear basis. Accordingly, expenditure on machinery and equipment (mainly telecommunications devices), building material (mainly iron and steel, articles of iron and steel and cement) and transport equipment (mainly commercial vehicles such as auto trishaws, tankers and bowsers) declined in August 2020 when compared with August 2019.

No tourist arrivals were recorded for the fifth consecutive month in August 2020 as all airports and seaports remained closed for tourist arrivals in view of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Workers' remittances recorded a notable increase for the third consecutive month, recording a growth of 28.2%, year-onyear, to US dollars 664 million. This increase helped limit the cumulative decline in workers' remittances to 1.5% to US dollars 4,346 million during the period from January to August 2020, in comparison to the corresponding period of 2019.

The level of gross official reserves amounted to US dollars 7.4 billion as at end August 20200, which was equivalent to 5.1 months of imports. Total foreign assets, which consist of gross official reserves and foreign assets of the banking sector amounted to US dollars 10.3 billion at end August 2020, providing an import cover of 7.2 months.





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# **Promote sustainable** agriculture - Mahindananda



Minister of Agriculture Mahindananda Aluthgamage

Minister of Agriculture Mahindananda Aluthgamage underscored the importance of promoting sustainable agriculture through innovation including digital agriculture solutions. He was addressing the 35th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC), recently.

He reiterated that the access to and dissemination of the latest technologies and innovations are imperative to improve the productivity of the agriculture sector. Building resilient food systems, and increasing the adaptation capacity in the agriculture sector towards climate change while promoting the wise use of natural resources are also essential, the Minister stated.

Minister Aluthgamage who is heading the Sri Lankan delegation participating in the APRC welcomed the strong partnership between Sri Lanka and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), ever since the country became an FAO member nation in 1948. He stated that FAO's technical and advisory support has helped the country immensely, to transform the agriculture sector from a livelihood sector to a dynamic income-earning production sector, a vital pillar of the national economy. The Sri Lankan delegation drew attention to the present concerns in the agriculture sector such as poor profit margin for smallholder farmers, non-availability of a proper insurance scheme for growers, the lack of improved agrochemical management and the inability to predict seasonal

forecasts. FAO's continuous technical, policy and programmatic assistance in these areas were anticipated.

Addressing the APRC, FAO Director-General Qu Dongyu stated that it is time to take full advantage of the digital age through innovative partnerships with national governments, farmers, the private sector, academia, NGOs and many others. Enabling these partnerships is the Hand-in-Hand Initiative implemented by FAO. This evidence-based, country-led and country-owned initiative aims to accelerate agricultural transformation and sustainable rural development to eradicate poverty and end hunger and all forms of malnutrition. "The initiative prioritizes countries where national capacities and international support are the most limited or where operational challenges, including natural or man-made crises, are the greatest," stated the FAO Director-General.

The FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC) is a forum to discuss the current country and regional priorities and pressing issues in the region such as the impact of COVID-19, the state of agriculture, natural resources management, food security and nutrition.

This year Government representatives from 46 Member Nations joined the 4-day conference which commenced on September 1 through videoconferencing and more than 400 delegates participated in the meeting hosted by the Royal Government of Bhutan.

#### We are honoured to receive **Nobel prize - WFP SL Country Director**

The awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to the World Food Programme (WFP) is a humbling, moving recognition of the work of WFP staff who lay their lives on the line every day to bring food and assistance for close to 100 million hungry children, women and men across the world. People whose lives are often brutally torn apart by instability, insecurity and conflict. "For more than half a

century, WFP staff have dedicated themselves to helping communities in Sri Lanka, from assisting during the tsunami and post conflict period, to providing nourishing school meals to children," says Brenda Barton, WFP Country Director in Sri Lanka. "We are profoundly honoured that WFP has received this award, which is in recognition of WFP staff worldwide including those in Sri Lanka, who work tirelessly to develop a better future for vulnerable communities everywhere'.

Globally and in Sri Lanka, WFP focuses on emergency assistance, relief and rehabilitation,

Ajith Peiris, former Deputy General

Manager (Operations) is scheduled to take

over his duties today (12) as the 17th GM/

CEO of National Savings Bank. Peiris, a



**Brenda Barton, Country Director, WFP Sri** Lanka, handing a take-home ration pack to a student in Kalapaluwawa.

development aid and special operations. In Sri Lanka, WFP has worked with the government and other partners to save lives and livelihoods and make profound changes to ensure people have better access to food and nutri-

Every one of the 690 million hungry people in the world today has the right to live peacefully and without hunger. Today, the Norwegian Nobel Committee has turned the global spotlight on

them and on the devastating consequences of conflict. Climate shocks and economic pressures have further compounded their plight. And now, a global pandemic with its brutal impact on economies and communities is pushing millions more to the brink of starvation. 'The Nobel Peace Prize is

not WFP's alone. We work closely with government, organizations and private sector partners whose passion for helping the hungry and vulnerable equals ours.' WFP was recognized "for

its efforts to combat hunger, for its contribution to bettering conditions for peace in conflict-affected areas and for acting as a driving force to prevent the use of hunger as a weapon of war and conflict", said Berit Reiss-Andersen, chair of the Norwegian Nobel Committee.

The COVID-19 crisis has added to global food insecurity with an increasing number of people going hungry. The pandemic, with its brutal impact on economies and communities, is pushing millions of people worldwide to the brink of starvation.

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#### Ajith W Peiris appointed GM/CEO of NSB professional banker, who counts over 32

vears of service in the Bank, succeeds Damitha K Ratnayake who was the Acting GM/CEO of the Bank.



# **HNB Assurance** launches Super Cl

announced the launch of Super CI, (comprehensive critical Illness cover), recently, a revolutionary cover catering to the needs to battle a range of critical illnesses that one could face in life.

Developed with the prime focus of providing peace of mind to safeguard individuals' health, HNBA Super CI offers many special benefits in the instance of a cancer diagnosis, heart condition and more.

Sharing his thoughts Chief Executive Officer of HNBA and HNB General Insurance Limited (HNBGI), Prasantha Fernando stated, "Placing great attentiveness towards the challenges that people experience due to the various adversities of health, HNBA Super CI is introduced to provide the ideal financial comfort to help them recover and head towards a superior lifestyle despite the critical illnesses faced. The Super CI Rider is committed to providing the Assured with the benefit of financial planning for 32 critical illnesses, predominantly focusing on cancer diagnosis and heart conditions that showcase greater rates of risk at present, amongst many in society. We

HNB Assurance PLC (HNBA) believe that constantly educating people on the infinite price of good health, and making it a core necessity to take good care of one's wellbeing could be accomplished by Super CI along with many other benefits it has to offer".

HNBA Chief Operating Officer Lasitha Wimalaratne, said, "HNBA Super CI is the brilliant outcome of extensive research and expertise of a dynamic

The scope of the cover includes an Early Stage Cancer Benefit and a Minor Heart Condition Benefit covering 09 Conditions, where 25% of Sum Assured will be paid to the Policyhold-Benefit for 05 years following the acceptance of an Early Stage Claim, as a special feature. Further coverage includes Late Stage Cancer Benefit and Major Heart Condition Benefit covering 07 Conditions, where 100% of Sum Assured will be paid inclusive of a Monthly Income Benefit for 05 years following the acceptance of Major Cancer/Heart Condition Claim, as a specialty, also applicable for the range of 32 Critical Illnesses".

Elaborating further, Wimalaratne



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**Lasitha Wimalaratne** 



Prasantha Fernando

er along with a Waiver of Premium stated, "Special features of Super CI also includes a 10% increase of the Sum Assured every year for each claimfree year without an increase in Premium. Optionally, the Cover enables Return of Premiums at Maturity if no claim is made under the Benefit".

> HNB Assurance PLC (HNBA) is one of the fastest-growing Insurance Companies in Sri Lanka with a network of 63 branches. HNBA is a Life Insurance company with a rating of A (lka) by Fitch Ratings Lanka for 'National Insurer Financial Strength Rating'.

#### **NDB launches Royal College Union Affinity Credit Card**

NDB Bank recently launched a used for other purposes such as RCU Card, a specialized Credit Card for the Royal College Union members and Royalists.

The launch was held in the presence of NDB Director and Group CEO Dimantha Seneviratne as well as NDB Directors Sriyan Cooray and Sujeewa Mudalige at the Lake View Lounge, NDB.

The Royal College Union Affinity Credit Card is a uniquely designed card for the association and can be

Royal College Union Affinity Credit membership card payments. Additionally, a contribution of 50% of the charged Annual Fee of each card will be given to the school and the bank will also contribute 0.20% of the total spends on a monthly basis to

> The RCU cardholders will be able to enjoy a range of benefits from discounts to payment plans to unmatched value additions.

The Bank, which is the 4th largest listed bank in Sri Lanka, is one of the fastest-growing banks, having had a cumulative average growth rate (CAGR) in advances by 21% and in deposits by 25% in the last four years.

The only financial service conglomerate in Sri Lanka, NDB Group is uniquely positioned towards assisting the growth and development of the Sri Lankan capital market provide its customers seamless access to the product and service offerings of all its group com-



Officials at the launch.

## Seylan Cards go zero on installments on credit cards

Seylan Bank gives customers the opportunity to avail a 0% instalment easy payment plan (EPP) on Credit Card transactions for Health and Education expenses with no interest charges.

The EPP makes it easy for customers to manage their vital financials against the typically higher value transactions in these

Seylan Credit Cards, recog-

nized as the essential card for day to day needs, has introduced the 0% interest EPP for any hospital and education bills along with a host of other discounts from partner hospitals and educational institutes. Nawaloka Hospitals provides 5% off on hospital bills for surgery admissions while Durdans Hospitals gives up to 25% off on hospital room charges. From the education sector, the

from the enrollment fee, when payment is done through Seylan

Speaking on this special offer, Jayanath Dias, Head of Cards of Seylan Bank PLC, stated "Seylan Bank puts customer convenience above everything else. Healthcare emergencies can take a toll on people's finances and put their day to day financial management

Academy of Design offers 15% off in disarray, causing them much stress. Our 0% EPP puts their mind at ease, with the ability to pay up to Rs. 500,000 using the 0% instalment option. Education is another high-value transaction that is essential for our customers, and we are delighted to be able to offer the convenience of an easy payment plan paving the way for their academic and professional aspirations.

In addition to the 0% easy payment plan, Seylan Cards also offer savings in many essential categories at partner Supermarkets and on purchasing fuel.

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Heart, operates with a vision to offer the ultimate banking experience to its valued customers through cutting-edge technology, innovative products, and best-inclass services.

Seylan Bank has been endorsed as a financially stable organization with performance excellence across the board by Fitch Ratings, with the bank's national long-term rating revised to 'A (lka).



**Jayanath Dias** 

# **IESL** holds Induction and Graduation ceremony 2020 in grand style

The Induction and **Graduation Ceremony** 2020 of the Institution of Engineers, Sri Lanka (IESL) was held on September 26 at BMICH Main Hall. Associate Members of the institution who completed the Professional Review process were inducted to Chartered Engineers, which is a distinguished position recognized all over the country. Also, students who successfully completed the IESL examinations received their graduation certificates.

This year 317 Charted Engineers were inducted. The IESL is the only institution in the country that can offer 'Chartered Engineer' Certification. Established in 1906 and incorporated by Parliament Act No 17 of 1968, the IESL is the apex body for professional engineers in Sri Lanka. Chief Guest for this year's Induction and Graduation Ceremony was Senior Professor Sampath Amaratunge, Chairman of the University Grant Commission. Professor Amaratunge in his message mentioned that engineers have a bigger role to play in the recovery stages of the COVID-19 pandemic and inventions, innovations, and value additions are some of the key engineering-related aspects that need to be strengthened.



Lightening the Traditional Oil Lamp

Further to the induction and graduation ceremony, schoolchildren who participated in the Junior Inventor of the Year (JIY) competition organized by the IESL for the year 2019 received their scholarships. Winners of IESL competitions organized for Engineering Undergraduates (Migara Rathnatunga Trust Awards and Eng. E W

Karunaratna Awards) also received their rewards. The Induction and Graduation Ceremony is the most important academic event of the Institution and is organised annually. This year the ceremony was attended by a large crowd with IESL Council Members, Past Presidents, Members, Students, and their parents.



Laksiri - Vice President for the session 2019/2020 and Chairman of Education **Standing Committee** 



Welcome Speech by President-Elect Eng. K P I U Dharmapala for the session 2019/2020 and Chairman of PSMC



Address by IESL President Eng. (Prof) S B S Abayakoon for the session 2019/2020



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# Henry James The Portrait of a Lady The Portrait of a Lady

#### **ADITHA DISSANAYAKE**

brain only.

Yeats wrote in his essay on The Thinking of the Body, "just bids us touch and taste and hear and see the world, and shrink from what Blake calls mathematical form, from every abstract thing, from all that is of the

If we are to heed Yeats' advice and read Henry James' Portrait of a Lady,' today, touching and hearing and tasting the world of Isabel Archer, there is a possibility we will find ourselves in the United States of the present, even as Covid-19 virus takes its toll. The only difference between Isabel's world and the US of today, might be the masks on the faces of our characters and the sanitizers in our pockets.

On the other hand, if you wish to turn a blind eye to the sad state of things all over the world today and read the 'Portrait' concentrating more on Ralph Touchett, Isabel's cousin, than on the young woman searching for utopia, you might end up feeling Ralph is an older version of Martin Wickremasinghe's Aravinda. Perhaps you will contemplate for days and weeks, wondering, what if Wickremasinghe had chosen Sarojini as the heroine of 'Viragaya' over Aravinda Jayasena. Wouldn't Viragaya then have been a Sri Lankan version of 'A Portrait' focusing on Sarojini's marriage to Siridasa in much the same way James portrays Isabel's marriage with Gilbert Osmond.

To summarize the 'Portrait' for the uninitiated, Isabel is a beautiful, spirited American, brought to Europe by her wealthy Aunt Touchett. Showing how well James sought in his fiction to realistically capture life, in the portrait of Isabel, he paints with words, the many choices one must make in one's life. In the novel many men are infatuated or in love with Isabel and there are many moments we find ourselves holding our breath wondering who will be the chosen one.

First, there is Lord Warburton, an aristocrat whom Isabel finds fascinating but is not in love with. He is surprised she turned him down, as he is a leader in Parliament and owns a castle! Is it the moat? he asks. "No," says Isabel. "I adore a moat."

#### What is it then?

Sadly, it is not her infirm and generous cousin, Ralph even though for those of us who believe in soul mates, Ralph and Isabel are perfectly matched. Then there is the kind American, Caspar Goodwood, to whom Isabel is attracted, but refuses to marry.

She postpones marriage to travel abroad for a year and seek her independence and gets caught in Gilbert Osmond's web. Gilbert, an American art collector living in Florence, seduces Isabel and marries her – motivated, we soon learn, for the fortune she has inherited from her uncle. He treats her like one of the many objects he covets, and after his seduction is complete, she remains to him nothing more than an object on his shelf or a painting on his wall.

Critic Leo Edel summarizing the plot says: "At moments the story verges on melodrama when it is not pure fairy-tale: a rich uncle, a poor

# PORTRAIT OF A 'PORTRAIT'

niece, an ugly rich cousin who worships her from a distance, three suitors an heiress and finally her betrayal by a couple of her cosmopolitan compatriots into a marriage as sinister as the backdrop of a Bronte novel." "And yet to say this," explains Edd, "is to offer a gross caricature of a warm and human

Touche, if you felt this description sounds familiar. In some ways, 'Portrait' does seem similar to the works of George Eliot, but James in his novel does not give into moralizing and exegesis the way Eliot does. He presents his story without ever giving into elaborate statements and attracts the reader to the heroine through her wonderful yet naive aspiration for complete freedom.

"I always want to know the things one should do."

"So as to do them?' asked her Aunt. "So as to choose," said Isabel.

There are readers who have a low opinion of Isabel's intelligence because she selects Gilbert Osmond after refusing 'real men' like Casper Goodwood and Lord Warburton, and remains blind to the 'tender chivalry of Ralph Touchett. But what we must not forget is that by making her choose the wrong man, James enhances Isabel's tragic splendor and makes her 'Portrait' shine out forever.

Either way, there is no doubt when James wrote to his brother saying that in his next novel he aims to achieve something 'big' he had realized his aim to the very last letter in 'The Portrait'. James said of his book that a "single small corner-stone" grew into a "large building", large enough in form for him to "make an ado" about Isabel Archer. According to Edel, James puts his own childhood and his own desire for freedom into Isabel, while the chilling and conventional expatriate Gilbert resembles a portrait of what James would have become "if he had allowed snobbery to prevail over humanity"

Most critics agree the real subjects of the novel are "egotism and power". Fred Kaplan, however, thinks that Isabel's story is a "nightmare": "Behind the sophisticated portrayal of mores and personality ... the world of Portrait is a threatening, often deathly world of repression and annihilation, where no one is happy, no one is saved."

It is Michael Gorra who puts into words the uneasy feelings any reader of the 'Portrait' who reads it today will feel about the state of things in the book having similarities with the current situation in the US. Gorra argues that Portrait is "a critique of American exceptionalism" and explains: "The historical paradox for Americans is that they believe in a republican egalitarianism – all are created equal – and in the freedom to pursue, competitively, individual happiness. Isabel (leaving America, turning down a nice English lord and a determined Bostonian, choosing Osmond because she thinks he is a free agent) insists that she must be free to write her own plot. She will not be measured by what surrounds her – clothes, houses, money, traditions. She believes "in her own autonomy, her own enabling isolation: a belief, and a dream, that all her later experience will challenge". As the sinister and subtle Madame Merle suggests to her, in a conversation about the limits of the self, echoing thoughts that are sadly true of the present, complete "self-sufficiency" is impossible.

Likewise, in Europe Isabel "learns that her own life" has already "been determined". She finds that for her, as for America, there is no such thing as a "fresh start" or a "city on a hill" or a "new world" knowledge most migrants in America must have gained through experience, in the past few months. There is no doubt that the other ways of reading Isabel – as a young woman afraid of intimate experiences, as an innocent fallen into corrupt hands, as an enactment of James's passion for Europe, as a characterization of solitude - take second place to this political and timely interpretation.

What is more, in two centuries since the novel was first serialized in The Atlantic Monthly, Isabel's decision has grown in importance. Does she return to her husband in Rome out of wifely duty? To rescue her stepdaughter, Pansy? Or to free herself from the marriage, thus regaining her independence and prefiguring the political and social emancipation of women in general?

True to his theme of depicting life as it is in his novels, James does not give us the answers. Isabel's fate remains a mystery in much the same way the fate of our entire world remains a mystery in the face of a deadly virus.

But in spite of this or because of it, we must carry on. Because things will never be how we want them to be. As James wrote in The Portrait, "Things are always different than what they might be, if you wait for them to change, you will never do any-

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**A Quiet Place** 

# HAUNTINGLY HORRIFIC

RUWINI JAYAWARDANA stellar cast, an intriguing storyline, marvelous acting, expert directing and editing, realistic and appropriate backdrops... The list goes on for this horror science fiction movie. The story opens with a puzzling yet heart tugging incident which haunts the characters throughout the tale. The world is taken over by sightless alien like creatures with hypersensitive hearing. They are protected by armored she'll like suite and they attack anything that comes within their senses.

The story opens with us being introduced to the Abbott family: husband Lee, wife Evelyn, deaf daughter Regan, and sons Marcus and Beau. They search for supplies in a deserted town and make their way home silently. Four-year-old Beau is drawn to a battery-operated

space shuttle toy, but his father takes it away. Regan returns the toy to Beau, who unbeknownst to her has also taken the batteries his father removed. Beau activates the shuttle when the family is walking home through the woods, near a bridge. Its noise makes him an instant target for a nearby creature, and he is swiftly killed.

Fast forward a year later, Regan still struggles with guilt over her brother's death. Evelyn is in the final stages of pregnancy. Lee is fruitlessly trying to make radio contact with the outside world. Lee attempts to upgrade Regan's cochlear implant to restore her hearing, but the device fails. Later, Lee takes Marcus to a nearby river to teach him to fish while Regan visits Beau's grave. Lee explains to Marcus that they will always be safe from the creatures so long as louder sounds mask their audible move-

Alone at the house, Evelyn goes

into labor earlier than expected. While making her way to their specially modified soundproof basement, she steps on a large nail. In pain, she accidentally drops a glass picture frame and alerts a nearby

Evelyn flips a switch that changes the exterior house lights to red as a danger signal to the others, and struggles to remain silent during her contractions. Arriving at the farm and seeing the lights, Lee instructs Marcus to set off fireworks as a diversion. He finds Evelyn hiding in the bathroom with their newborn son. The baby starts crying, attracting a creature, and they narrowly avoid another attack

on the way to the basement. Lee leaves to find the other children, after promising Evelyn he will protect them. Evelyn falls asleep but wakes to discover that the basement is flooded with water from a broken pipe and that a creature is stalking her.

Regan and Marcus narrowly escape the creatures. However they stumble upon a discovery that might help them to defend themselves against the creatures. Will the Abbott family fight back and triumph over the creatures?

The beauty or rather the real horror behind 'A Quiet Place' is in how realistically the scenes unfold.

Unlike in most horror movies in which the filmmakers seem to decide to list a line of episodes intending to scare the audience, 'A Quiet Place' works more on getting a psychological and physical reactions out of the viewers. You may not hide under the seat or scream but you are bound to feel your heart rate quickening or gasp in

anticipation. This is director John Krasinski's first attempt at making a horror. Horror films are one of the most difficult genres to make in the cinematic sector – second only to comedy movies. However Krasinski has proven that he can be a master in

the field through this production. Kudos to him for not only directing a successful horror flick but for giving a memorable performance as well.

His real life wife Emily Blunt helms the acting with him with an Oscar worthy performance. Millicent Simmonds as Regan Abbott, Lee and Evelyn's deaf daughter and Noah Jupe as Marcus Abbott are amazing in their roles. There aren't many supporting roles, but the ones who exist do their bit. All their combined efforts together makes 'A Quite Place' an exceptional production which is well worth your money.



Jeevan to resume film directin



action with him somewhere in 2010. That was to present him one of the documentaries I directed. The attraction I had towards that great personality since that day for his knowledge and genuineness finally ended up me being placed in this position. I was of the view that he is the personality that my country

ernment for political reasons in 2015. Jeevan is an expert in film directing and editing, having experiences spanning over 20 years in the field since 2000. He was proud to say "My contribution is there behind many of the art pieces in Sri Lanka."

Once well known for his cinematic skills and the technological smartness on videography

and now as photographer, film Director Jeevan

Chandimal is to resume the work of his debut

film after a short silence period. Jeevan had

was expecting to begin shooting when the

concluded the pre-production of this film and

film's script was banned by the previous gov-

He introduced himself as a character which is achieving own goals progressively but slowly. Graphic Designing and Video Editing are the sectors in which he began his artistic stint.

Next he joined to advertising firms and directed about 200 TV commercials. Opening 'Jeevan creation', a fully-equipped studio with audio and non-linear editing facilities in 2004 made him a Recording Engineer with contribution to nearly 60 teledramas, seven film and 4,000 songs in the studio followed by several film documentaries directed by him.

He was reaching the climax of his professional life by 2015 with starting the pre-production of this debut film.

Jeevan is currently the Official Photographer to the President and the Director (Photography) of the President's Media Division.

#### **V:** How would you introduce yourself?

Hi I am a film director, originally. Cinema is my soul. No matter where we were, cinema was the only topic for us day and night even. But, the reason behind me becoming a photographer is somewhat unique. It was the respect I had for that great personality; President Gotabaya Rajapaksa whichmade me a photographer. Photography was my hobby too. But political photography is a field which I had never touched before.

#### **Q**: How did you become the President's Official Photographer?

I was with the President before he became the leader of this country. Following several attempts in three years, I made my first interneeds to lead it to the future. So I must take part in that giant campaign to make him the leader of Sri Lanka.

#### **U:** Trace the beginning of your cinematic journey.

Cinema is my soul. I cannot and would never give it up for any reason. My first entry to the field was as a Video Editor. That was in 2000. My contribution is there behind many of the art work of that time which made a revolution in the field. Next I joined some advertising firms and contributed to TV commercials.

I have edited several films produced by my colleagues before entering video documentaries directing.

#### **Q:** What are the documentaries that you have you directed?

I started my first documentary in 2007 – during a period which was very difficult for me. This was about how the LTTE negatively impacted on the country's Tamil culture.

Many discouraged me in this endeavour. Some attempted to cheat on me, mislead me and even manipulate me for their benefit. The multiple challenges I confronted with such individuals resulted in giving up my first attempt. The second one was in 2012 and it was successful. It named '

The Last Phase' and exhibited the production at Geneva, EU and the UK Parliaments as well. This was followed by the documentary 'Revive in Kilinochchi – The City of Peace and Hope' in 2013. It is the third one directed by me.

#### **U**: Year 2004 was special for you.

Yes. That was the year I opened my own

Digital Studio. It is in Kohuwala. This studio is fully-equipped with non-linear audio and video editing facilities. Around 4,000 songs, 60 teledramas and seven films were edited there. However, the studio remains temporarily closed as my busy schedule gives me no opportunity to make the use of it.

# What happened to your first film?

Despite all what I had to do and was doing, it was my dream to create a film of my own. With time I started the preliminary work of my first film in 2015. I received permission from the Film Corporation and the Police but not from the Defense Ministry. A Canadian producer agreed by to fund the project at that time and we had the Muhurat ceremony too. However, the previous government banned the film script claiming that it would interrupt the country's reconciliation process.

#### **Q:** Was the script controversial?

The film was supposed to be based on a true story. The entire film runs focusing on the life journey of a Tamil Tiger who was categorized

as a suicide bomber and his post-war life. This created a controversy which resulted in the film being banned.

#### **Q:** Is it a Sinhala film?

This film targets not only the local crowd but several other countries such as India, Malaysia, Singapore and Japan. Therefore, the film comprises of three languages: Sinhala, Tamil and English. We had selected most of the locations in Japan where its government had pledged fullest support for the project. This story is blended with the Japanese Culture as well.

#### **0:** What are you involved in now?

I was away from cinema after entering political photography. I am yet to resume my first film. I am going to start everything from the beginning now.

There are two new producers who have expressed their interest towards the project. More than half of the script is done. I expect the support of everyone who loves cinema to make this a success.

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#### anda Tharu Mal', a teledrama directed by Ravindra Wijeratne and produced by Pramila

Suranganee held it's Muhurath ceremony recently at Galadari Hotel, Colombo. Janak Premalal, Malini Weeramui, Pramila Suranganee, Shiromi Fernando, Hashinika Karaliyadde, Niroshan Wijesinghe, Anjula Rajapaksa, Tharanga Dissanayake, Harshana Bethmage, Sanjaya Moramudali, Ruwan Perera and a number of child actors portray roles in this teledrama. Gayan Gunawardena handles the music. Rangana Jayalath is the art director.



make up. Dinesh Aggalla is the assistant director. Gayan Hettiarachchi wrote the script.

Pictures by Chinthaka Kumarasinghe



#### Seeking a listening ear

unil Costa of 'Sudu Andagena Kalu Avidin' fame which clinched many accolades is back with a new production. His newst venture is titled 'Ahanna Kenek Ne' Can You Hear Me?). It is based on the icidents encountered by characters which are close to real-life. They face nany obstacles and interact with each ther in their daily life episodes.

Roger Seneviratne, Dilhani Ekanayke, Niroshan Wijesinghe, Umayangana Vickramasinghe, Veena Jayakody, Shani Tharuka, Lakshman Mendis, Gihan ernando, Ananda Kumaraunahe, Chinnana Kulathunga, Priyankara Ratnayke, Sampath Jayaweera, Ajith Lokuge, Iali Jayaweera, Michelle Dilhara and thers portray the characters.

Scripted and directed by Costa the eledrama is produced by Chinthaka ulathunga. Sisira Paranavitharana is ne cameraman. Shan Alwis is the editor. Ajantha Alahakoon is the art director. The costume designer is Gihani Seneviratne. Wasantha Poornawansa is in charge of the make up department.

The assistant director is Chaminda Uduwela. Malith Peiries is the production manager. Dinesh Dubasinghe is the music director. Upeka de Silva and Chandumal Fernando have rendered their voices for the song. Nuwan Jude Liyanage

has penned the lyrics. Nimal Wije siri Senadeera is the production executive. 'Can You Hear Me' is presented by Kingston Holdings.





# Senarath Kulathilake was an excellent scrum half

**ALTHAF NAWAZ** 

It is very rare to witness a couple with a sound sports background, especially representing the country in the International arena, bringing honour and fame to the country. It was Senarath Kulathilake and his wife late Kamala Kulathilake, who passed away last month who became the cynosure of all eyes in the field of sports which will be recorded as an unforgettable moment

Senarath Kulathilake popularly known as 'Sarath' in the Rugby fraternity is the son of late Sammy de Silva Kulathilake a draughtsman who served in the National Housing Department . He had three boys in the family with his elder brother who worked as an Engineer in Building Construction while his younger brother is a Professor Living in America. Senarath was Married to Kamala Kulathilake, one of the double International Women in Sports in Sri Lanka. She represented the country in Netball and Basketball at International Games. She excelled as a Player, Coach, Umpire and an Official in both sports before her demise last month.

Senarath has a son and a daughter The son is a businessman and the daughter is a retired Banker.

Senarath entered Greenlands College in 1954 to the primary class soon after the school was inaugurated in 1952. Greenlands College later was

laya in 1961. Its name was further that time, had a memorable season changed in 1968 as Isipathana College before it obtained its National school status in 1992.. Isipathana made its debut in rugby in 1963 under Brian Ingram as Captain played the first unofficial game against St.Anthony's College, Kandy winning it 8-3. Dayalu Perera scored the first try for Isipathana and they went on to play friendlies. In1967, Senarath started to represent the first XV team as scrum Half under Gunasena Wijeratne as captain coached by Ken de Joodt and Mike Davies. His colleagues were Mahinda Jayawardena, Rezano Rajap, Horace Perera, Hafi Abdeen, Sriyantha Rajakaruna, Chandralal Fernando, Juraghan Savangham, Thajone Savangham, Niyas Dooray, Jaseed Ariff, S.H.M. Moulana, T.N.Hossen, T.Rajapathirana, Thalaysingham, Chakarawathy de Silva, Kumar Jayaratne, Athula Wickramasinghe, S.Salgado, D.Keethsiri, N.Devakumar, R.Indrapriya, A.Abeysundera, K.Fernando where they had mixed performance. He was also selected to play for the Colombo schools 'B' team along with Hafi Abdeen, Gunasena Wijeratne, Thajone Savangham in 1967.

In 1968, he played under the Captaincy of Juraghan Savanghan where they had the same result as in the previous year. Next year, under Thajone Savanghan, who turned out to be

renamed as Isipathana Maha Vidya- one of the best flankers in the game winning all ten fixtures, with only

Royal and Trinity being reluctant to play them. He also played for the Colombo schools team along with Hafi Abdeen, Chandralal Fernando, Gamini Chandrasekara, S.Pathmasiri which was led by S.Anverdeen of Zahira. He also played for Combined Schools under Shafi Jainudeen consisting of Hafi Abdeen and Chandralal Fernando against Presidents Colts team led by John Burrows of CH and

In 1970, he joined CH and FC along with Horace Perera. During that time the CH team was filled with foreign players of the Class of John Burrows as Captain, Maurice Marrinon, , David McCall and David Graham, . Same year he represented the Presidents XV against the touring Blackheath team from England.

In 1971 he continued to play for CH with Darley Ingleton as Coach and captained by Bryan Baptist, Upali Vithanage, Omar Sheriff, Rodney Patternott, Hamish Patternott, Horace Perera, Lorensz Pereira, Ron Hoare, Sharky Jayawardena, Tony Masilamani, Darrel Wimalaratne, Faiz Hamdoon, Lucky Chickera, Keith Wambeck, Neil Maurice, YC Chang, John Burrows, Refai Hamdoon ,Fuard,Andrew Martin, Tony Amith, and during the mid season in



Senarath Kulathilake

1971 he crossed over to Kandy Lake Club then known as Kandy Rugby Football Club. He represented KRFC in 1971 and became champions in the up country league.

In 1972 the KRFC team captained by Izwan Omar consisted of some top class players in that era. In1971 he was selected to a pool to play against the visiting Paris universities led by fly half Mohan Sahayam who had an early retirement from rugby due to an injury which paved the way for Hafi Abdeen to play for Sri Lanka as fly half.

When he was in his peak in 1970, due to less number of overseas tournaments, he was selected to the Rest of the XV team to play a trial match

against President's XV to pick the Malik Samarawickrema, which later team to play against the England touring team. Next year he was selected to represent the Under-23

against Paris Universities touring team and went on to play against several overseas teams In 1972 played for up country against Low country in the 'Capper Cup' also represented the upcountry team against Paris Universities.

The Turning point of his rugby career was in 1972 at the completion of the club rugby season, where the Sri Lanka National Team was gearing up to participate at the third Asian Rugby Football Tournament in 1972 held in Hong Kong. Due to an unfair selection process at the eleventh hour Minister of K.B.Ratnayake appointed a three member committee to review the Ceylon Rugby squad for the said tournament. The review committee comprised Capt.William Molegoda, as Chairman, S.T.Thurairatnam and S.B.Pilapitya. The Committee recommended to remove four players namely Malik Samarawickrema, Noel Brohier Irwin Howie and Shafi Jainudeen and include Senarath, Gamini Udugama, Daya Jayasundera, Nizam Hajireen, Reggie Bartholomuez to the squad of 23 players and three officials. Senarath Kulathilake was brought in as scrum half replacing

took part in the third Asian Rugby Football Championship in Hong Kong

Senarath was entrusted as the coach of Dharmaraja College in 1972 in their inaugural year. In 1973, KRFC and Kandy Sports Club were Amalgamated as Kandy Sports Club He played for Kandy SC in the Years

1973,1974 and 1975 season. Kandy Sports Club was Captained by Gavin Stevens and had Cuda Wadugodapitiya C,T De Silva, H.M.Kuthus, Rohan Abeysundera, Deepal de Soysa, Ajith Fernando, Gamini Udugama, Jeremy Pereira, Nimal Lewke, Sunil Hettiarchchi, N.T.B Dassanayake, Chang Faa Ching Faris Salman, Lucky Peiris,T. Ranaweera and Hector Galuge.

In 1977 he made a comeback to play for CR and FC where CR became Champions in the Presidents Trophy beating Army in the Final by 22-6. CR and FC won the double in the year 1977 including the Knockout and Sevens Tournament under Shiraz Fernando's captaincy. Besides Rugby Senarath also played Cricket for Isipathana College from 1967 to 1969 as a Wicket keeper finally Captaining a few games in 1969 when K.L.S. Sirisena got injured. After leaving school he Played Sara Trophy cricket for CCC under Abu Fuard

# Dinura Fernando will lead Cambrians next year

**DILWIN MENDIS** 

Moratuwa Sports Special Correspondent

Third year coloursman, right hand top order batsman, right arm leg spinner, close in fielder, and Sri Lanka under 15 cricketer Dinura Hansaja Venath Fernando was appointed by the Principal of Prince of Wales' College, Kusala J. Fernando as the captain of the first eleven cricket team for the year 2021 and Dinura's deputy will be Pasindu Pathum.

With the appointment of Dinura as the captain for the forthcoming first eleven cricket season he has set an all time record for his Alma Mater to become the first ever father and son to captain the first eleven cricket team of Prince of Wales' College in their 124 year long cricket history. Though the College was founded by Charles Henry de Soysa in 1876 he introduced cricket in the same year but it was played by the members of the tutorial staff. Cambrians played their first ever inter school first eleven cricket match in 1896 versus Royal College, Colombo and Royalists were victori-



Dinura Fernando (on left) and his father Vishwanath Fernando who captained in

ous and played at their home grounds at Galle

Dinura added another feather to his cap as he captained his Alma Mater in the under 13, 15 and 17, Teams. His father Vishwanath Fernando captained Prince of Wales' College in 1991/92 cricket season. Following in his father's foot steps Dinura from his smaller days was interested and keen in cricket and notic-

ing his ambitions and talent Vishwanath took his son to Nondescripts Cricket Club Academy and handed him over to former Cambrian Badra Senevirathne. After that he was sent to Bandula de Silva another Cambrian who coached at De Soysa Stadium, Moratuwa. From there he was sent to College Cricket Academy and he came under Suranga Perera over there.

In the year 2013 he attended practices for the under 13 division three team and came under Athula Akarawita and got selected and in the following year he came under Tedlal Silva in division two and in his final year playing in the under 13 division one he came under Kalpa Fernando and captaining the team Cambrians clinched the joint championship of the Singer Trophy. Dinura was awarded the Best All Rounder's Runners Up Trophy for the whole island and in the finals against Mahinda College, Galle he scored 87 runs.

His first year in the under 15 he collected more than 300 runs with three half centuries and bagged 30 scalps. In his second year he captained the team and topped the 400 run mark with 4 fifties and claimed 32 wickets and they reached the Semi Final. With these performances under his belt he was selected for the Sri Lanka Schools under 15 tour of Malaysia in 2017. In his first year in the under 17 he collected 352 runs with two half centuries and captained the under 17 team in the following year he passed the 300 run mark and came up to the pre quarters and against St. Mary's College, Chilaw he scored a century and put on 200 runs for the first wicket with Vinuja Ranpul who too collected a century and it was a record for their school.

He was selected for the first eleven cricket team in 2018/19 cricket season and passed the 300 run mark with a single fifty and also played in the Big Match and the Limited Overs Match where Cambrians beat their arch rivals Sebs in the one dayer. He was selected to the Prima Cup in District and Provincial Tournaments and he won the Zonal Cricket Colours also. This year under Naduka Fernando he fared well with the bat . This year he came under Lucky Rogers Fernando who succeeded Kalpa Fernando and the guidance and advice received from Vishwanath carried a long way in his success.

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#### **Anil Jayasinghe** top rugby coach and referee

**HAFIZ MARIKAR** 

A man from Kandy who gave his best for rugby is Anil Jayasinghe, who was a top ruggerite coach and referee. Born in Kandy at Nittawela, he had his education at Vidyartha

College, where he excelled in sports, especially rugby and cricket. At school, he led the rugger and the cricket teams. He played for the Schools. Outstation Kandy Sports Club and Up-Country, He was also in the national pool and had the privilege of lead-

ing both Kandy Sports Club and Up-Country. He led the Up-Country side against Hong Kong under 24 where the Hong Kong side beat Up-Country by 23 points to 13 at Bogambara.

Anil Jayasinghe turned in several great performances for Kandy Sports Club, for well over a decade,. He has made a great contribution to uplift the standard of the game over here in the hills, by his involvement in the fields of refereeing, coaching and administration. He also gave his ees manager.

best for the Sri Lanka Rugby Referees Society and also for Central Province Rugby Football Union. He was a committee member of the Kandy Sports Club, and also was ground secretary at one time.

After hanging up his boots, he took to refereeing, in 1992, his first game as referee was between CH and FC and Petersons SC., he has refereed over 250 games. As a referee he has accompanied the Sri Lanka rugby team over-

seas and also has blown in overseas tournaments, including three internationals . He is a World Rugby Educator and Match Official(CMO) for the Referees Society of Sri Lanka and Asian Rugby Football Union(ARFU).

Anil has coached his school Vidyartha College, Dharmaraja College, Trinity College both juniors and seniors, and Kandy Sports Club. He also has followed coaching courses in Scotland, England, and Wales. He is the present rugby refer-

## Nigel to lead Kandy SC once again

(UPANANDA JAYASUNDERA

-Kandy Sports Special Correspondent)

Kandy Sports Club is dominating Sri Lanka Rugby and it is clearly evident that it has a

victory in the Annual Clifford Cup Rugby League Tournament as well as the Knock-out Tournament for more than 10 years. After Covid - 19 Epidemic was controlled in some areas of the Coun-

try the Champion Rugby team Trinity and later on left to of the Kandy Sports Club started

practicing every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday for four days a week during evening hours under the guidance of Fazil Marja assisted by Buddhika Talagampola at the Nittawela Rugby Grounds. About 35 players are coming for regular practices altogether and among them are Nigel the Captain of the Team.

Ratwatte, Roshan Weeraratne, Srinath Sooriyabandara, Jason Dissanayake, Lavanga Perera to name a few.

An Old Boy of Trinity College, Kandy Nigel Ratwatte unique Record of registering is Captaining the Rugby Team

of the Kandy Sports Club for the second successive year and he is also the present Captain of the Sri Lanka Rugby Sevens team. Nigel learnt the basics of the game of Rugby

when he was at South Africa in the year 2001 and joined the King Edwards School in Johannesburg and continued playing Rugby which is his pet game. After returning from South Africa he played for CR & FC as Flyhalf and crossed over to Kandy SC and he is a regular Player in the Kandy SC for the last six years before becoming



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## Akkaraipattu FSC team soccer champions

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Addalaichenai Central Correspondent) The Akkaraipattu FSC team emerged champions of the Musthafa Fahath Memorial Trophy-2020Soccer Tournament organized by the Akkaraipattu Family Sports Club when they beat the defending champions Mohammadhiya Sports Club team, Akkaraipattu by 4;1 in the finals played at Akkaraipattu Public Play grounds recently.

Akkaraipattu Family Sports Club official Musthafa Nihal organized this tournament while11 prominent teams from the Ampara district participated in a knockout system.

Champions FSC Team were awarded Rs.15,000 cash prize and trophy by the Chief Guest on this occasion Akkaraipattu



The skipper of the champions Akkaraipattu FSC team receiving the Musthafa Fahath Memorial Trophy from Akkaraipattu Municipal Councilor Azmi Abdul Gafoor

Municipal Councilor Azmi Family Sports Club founder Abdul Gafoor and Akkaraipattu A.B.M.Musthafa.

The runner- up Mohammadhiya Sports Club Team was awarded Rs.10,000 and the trophy by the Businessman Mohamed Basheeth and Development Officer Anver Sathath at the awards ceremony.

Man of the match award was secured by Aflal of Akkaraipattu FSC team and Man of the series award was secured by Sajeer of Muhammadhiya SC and best goal keeper award was won by Insham of Akkaraipattu FSC team.

Akkaraipattu Municipal Council Opposition Leader A.M.Sulfikar, Addalaichenai All Sports Clubs Federation President A.H.Hamza Sanoos, Akkaraipattu Family Sports Club President Musthafa Nihar, Sponsors, Sports Clubs officials and many others were present



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# Chamari, Shashikala to represent Supernovas in Women's IPL

#### **CHANDRIKA FERNANDO**

Sri Lanka's Chamari became the first from her Atapattu and Shashikala Siriwardene will represent the Supernovas Team at the third edition of the Women's T20 Challenge Cricket Tournament, which begins on November 4 in the United Arab

Emirates. Atapattu and Siriwardena will have a great opportunity to prove their potential while competing against some of the top players representing England, South Africa, West Indies, Bangladesh and New

In addition, Natthakan-Chantham, who hasbeen named in the Trailblazers Squad, becomes the first cricketer from Thailand to feature in the tournament.

country to hit a half century in a Women's T20I when she scored 56 against Pakistan in the Women's T20 World Cup in March, 2020.

Meanwhile, like last vear, Harmanpreet Kaur, SmritiMandhana and Mithali Raj will serve as the Captains of their respective teams, Supernovas, Trailblazers, and Velocity.

This event will be conducted by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) in line with the lucrative Indian Premier League (IPL) T20 Tournament which is now in progress in the UAE.

Women's T20 Challenge will feature four matches with the final schedule to be

The 24-year-old batter worked off on November

The Supernovas Squad:

Harmanpreet Kaur (Captain), Jemimah Rodrigues (Vice-Captain), Chamari Atapattu, Priya Punia, Anuja Patil, Radha Yadav, Taniya Bhatia (wk), Shashikala Siriwardene, Poonam Yadav, Shakera Selman, Arundhati Reddy, Pooja Vastrakar, Ayushi Soni, Ayabonga Khaka and Muskan

The schedule: Match 1 (November Supernovas **Velocity** 

Match 2 (November 5): Velocity vs Trail-Match 3 (November

Trailblazers Supernovas Match 4 (November



Chamari Atapattu and Shashikala Siriwardene

#### Inaugural Army Commander's T20 League

#### Southern, North Warriors cruise to final

Southern Warriors and North Warriors with three wins each, entered the final of the inaugural Army Commander's T20 League Cricket Tournament, which continued at the Army Grounds in Dombagoda yesterday.

However, the first-round match between Southern Warriors and North Warriors had to be abandoned due to bad weather in the

In the second match of the day, Eastern Warriors beat the Western Warriors by seven runs.

Southern Warriors will meet North Warriors in the final at the Gajaba Regiment Cricket Grounds in Saliyapura, Anuradhapura on October 17.

The results of Army Commander's T20 League:

**Southern Warriors:** 130/4 in 15 overs (Dinesh Chandimal 53 n.o, Priyantha Rathnayake 34, Asantha Basnayake 20, Seekkuge Prasanna 2/19) vs North Warriors.

Eastern Warriors: 131/6 in 16 overs (Kusal Mendis 44, Sandun Weerakkody 30, Yashodha Mendis 2006 Dh. 2 3/26, Dhammika Prasad 2/19)

Western Warriors: 124/8 in 16 overs (Lakshan Edirisinghe 37, Pethum Kumara 24, Sanjeew Coomaraswamy 3/23, Asela Gunarathne 2/28). (YK)

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Super Fashion North Warriors	6	3	2	0	1	14	-0.825	
Melbn Western Warriors	6	3	3	0	0	12	-0.989	
Prima Stella Eastern Warriors	6	2	4	0	0	08	-0.072	

#### Kohli stars as Bangalore thrash Chennai in IPL

**DUBAI:** Skipper Virat Kohli hit an unbeaten 90 as Royal Challengers Bangalore outplayed Chennai Super Kings by 37 runs in the Indian Premier League on Saturday.

Kohli held the innings strong despite early losses including AB de Villiers for nought and a slow start to take the attack to the opposition in Bangalore's 169 for four in Dubai.

The star batsman scored his second half-century of the IPL season and exploded in the last four overs to help Bangalore get 66 runs as Mahendra Singh Dhoni's Chennai lost the plot.

"It was one of our more complete performances," man of the match Kohli said after leading Bangalore to their fourth win of the season in six

"We spoke at the time out that you get out." around 150 would be great. When you don't get too far ahead of the game, it

'If you're in at the death overs and you have a score and you're hitting it well, you can capitalise well. That was something for us to learn tonight."

Bangalore's South African paceman Chris Morris led a disciplined bowling attack with figures of 3-19 from his four overs to keep down Chennai to 132 for eight at the end of 20 overs.

Ambati Rayudu top-scored with 42 but the top and the middle order faltered including Dhoni scoring just 10 runs in Chennai's fifth loss in seven

"I think the last four overs when we were bowling (didn't go to plan), before that the bowlers had done a good job, we needed to close in nicely," said a disappointed Dhoni.
"Batting has been bit of a worry

and today also it was evident. We need to do something about it. I think we are better off playing the other way round, playing the bigger shots even if

Coach Stephen Fleming said the team needs to bat with more "intent" in the upcoming games and the playoff race will get "further away" if the three-time IPL champions keep playing like this.

Kohli stood out with a well-



paced knock as he scored fifty in 39 balls and then smashed the bowlers to all parts of the ground with four fours and four sixes in his 52-ball stay.

"What fun that was to watch Kohli. Not just the shots but the running (between the wickets)!," veteran commentator Harsha Bhogle wrote on Twitter. *AFP* 

#### All Blacks, Wallabies re-launch Test rugby with 16 - 16 thriller

WELLINGTON: New Zealand and Australia battled to a thrilling 16-16 draw in a gripping opening Bledisloe Cup Test in Wellington on Sunday that saw the return of international rugby fol-lowing the coronavirus shutdown.

Play continued nearly 10 minutes after the final hooter sounded as neither side wanted to settle for a draw.

entertaining The encounter, with two tries and two penalties apiece, lifted rugby out of its seven-month Test hiatus in front of a near-capacity 31.000 mask-free spectators with New Zealand having largely contained the virus.

For the All Blacks and Wallabies it was almost a year since they last played at the World Cup in Japan, and it was exactly 400 days since the last Test match in New Zealand.

In addition to the Covid distraction, the Test



Australia's Matt Philip (R) tackles New Zealand's Samuel Whitelock during the Bledisloe Cup rugby union match between New Zealand and Australia in Wellington on October 11, 2020, AFP

build-up was also rocked by disputes between New Zealand and Australia over Super Rugby and the Rugby Championship, and when it came to

the on-field contest there were signs of rust.

But there was also a keen edge, and the draw leaves the four-match Bledisloe series wide open as

Australia push to end an 18-year drought. "Draws are always

funny, aren't they?" said All Blacks captain Sam Cane. "You could probably say both teams had their chances.

"We probably should have been leading by a bit more heading into the second half," he added.

"Credit to the Aussies, as they always do they stuck at it and they were only a whisker away from taking it. It's all set up for next week now." It was a moral victory for new Wallabies head coach Dave Rennie against All Blacks counterpart Ian Foster in the battle of the two New Zealand natives who both experiencing their first Test matches in charge.

While Foster has an experienced squad, Rennie is rebuilding and his new-look Wallabies, particularly debutants Harry Wilson and Filipo Daugunu, showed they were capable of rattling the All

#### Squads named for Women's T20 Challenge, Aussies miss out

**NEW DELHI:** India's top cricketer Smriti Mandhana will lead the Trailblazers squad in the Women's T20 Challenge to be held during the playoff week of the Indian Premier League in the United Arab Emirates, organisers said Sunday.

Australian stars will miss out on the four-match tournament to be held from November 4 to 9 as the dates clash with the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL), widely considered the top women's Twenty20 tournament.

The WBBL is due to be held from October 25 to November 29 in Sydney where an Olympicstyle sports village has been set

Australian stars had in August ment which will also have players expressed displeasure over the scheduling of the Women's Challenge, saying it would force players to pick between the two competitions.

India's Harmanpreet Kaur, and Mithali Raj were named as captains of the Supernovas and Velocity teams in the squads named by the Board of Control for Cricket in India. The teams were picked by a

selection committee, unlike the IPL where players are bought in

named the ICC Emerging Player of the Year in 2018, would play for the Trailblazers in the tourna-

from Sri Lanka, New Zealand, South Africa and the West Indies. Thailand's Natthakan Chan-

tham, who scored her country's first Women's T20 World Cup half-century, will become the first Thai cricketer to feature in the tournament, the BCCI statement

The IPL and the Women's Challenge were moved to the UAE as coronavirus cases soared in India, the second worst-hit country in the world after the United States. The games are being played

England's Sophie Ecclestone, behind closed doors at three venues including Dubai and Sharjah. The IPL final will be played on November 10. AFP

#### **Poland's Garros Swiatek powers to** landmark French Open triumph



Poland's Iga Swiatek celebrates with the Suzanne Lenglen trophy. AFP

**PARIS**: Polish teenager Iga Swiatek won her country's first Grand Slam singles title on Saturday as she defeated American fourth seed Sofia Kenin 6-4, 6-1 to become the youngest women's French champion since Open 1992.

19-year-old The Swiatek, at 54 the lowestranked woman to capture the Roland Garros title in the modern era, is the ninth first-time major champion in the past 14 Grand Slams. "It had to be that anoth-

er underdog won a Grand Slam in women's tennis. It is so often right now that it is crazy," said Swiatek, who captured her first tour title in the

"I don't know what's going on. It's overwhelming for me, it's crazy. "Two years ago I won a iunior Grand Slam (at Wimbledon) and now I'm here. It feels like such a short time."

Swiatek is the youngest women's French Open winner since Monica Seles lifted the trophy as an 18-year-old in 1992. She is the first teenage champion since Iva Majoli in 1997. AFP

#### Kolkata's Narine reported for chucking in IPL

DUBAI: Indies spinner Sunil Narine Warning List and is permitted to has been reported for suspect bowling action in the Indian Premier League during his team Kolkata Knight Riders' narrow win on Satur-

Narine stood out with figures of 2-28 from his four overs of his mystery spin to choke Kings XI Punjab's chase of 165 as Kolkata won by two runs in the first match of the day in Abu Dhabi.

"The report was made by the onfield umpires (Ulhas Gandhe and Chris Gaffaney) according to the IPL's Suspected Illegal Bowling Action Policy," said an IPL state-

"Mr Narine will be placed on the ing in IPL AFP

continue to bowl in the tournament."

Another report for the 32-year-old Narine will make him ineligible to bowl in the Twenty20 tournament until cleared by the Board of Control for Cricket in India's suspect bowling action committee.

Narine has been reported for chucking several times during his nineyear-old international career and was barred from bowling in 2015 by the International Cricket Council but came back with a re-modelled action.

But his action was once again under scrutiny in the 2018 Pakistan Super League.

Kolkatas Narine reported for chuck-

#### **Futsal tournament successfully conducted**



Captain of the winning team Astech Bath Touch Private Limited Abdul Raqeeb receiving the champion award and cash prize from Finwin Group Chairman Faroon Hamim. Group Director Thaha Magbool and members of the team were also present.

#### **RUZAIK FAROOK** Finwin Eventz subsidiary of

Finwin Group organized a Futsal Tournament among the corporate teams at the Indoor Futsal Arena, Sports World, Peliyagoda and 24 leading corporate teams participated in the tournament. This event was powered by Finwin Edu Campus and Nestle Lanka PLC. Astech Bath Touch Private

Limited beat Abdullah Traders by 2 - 0 in the final. Captain of the winning team Astech Bath Touch Private Limited Abdul Raqeeb received champion award, medals and cash prize of Rs. 60.000 from Chairman of the Finwin Group Faroon Hamim

Traders Captain Mohamed Fazreen received trophies, medals and Rs. 25,000 cash prize from Finwin Group Quality Director Rishard Faleel. Best Goal Keeper award was received by Astech Bath Touch Private Limited M.H.M. Muneer from Milo Sales Promotion Officer Dinuka Madushan and Best Player award received by Astech Bath Touch Private Limited Abdul Rageeb from Finwin Group Quality Director Rishard Faleel. Group Director Thaha Magbool,

and Runner up team Abdullah

Head of Finwin Edu Campus Fazeen Musafer and staff were also present.

# 'Manufacturing sector augurs well for work from home'

#### Acquisition of Norton enhances TVS Motor Company's global portfolio



R Anandakrishnan

TVS Motor Company has rolled out programs to address the need for skill development and enhancement from its learning wing, Institute of Quality & Leadership (IQL).

"In the manufacturing sector, there are many roles which augur well for work from home ranging from human resources, purchasing to certain functions of sales and design among others. However, the shop floor is required to operate from the facility and the com-

pany has enforced comprehensive safety precautions," R Anandakrishnan, Executive Vice President, Human Resources and Information Technology TVS Motor Company said in conversation with ET Auto.

The October 2020 Global Konnect exhibits TVS Motor Company's 40-year old long journey of bringing customer-relevant technologies in the market through robust R&D, creating new milestones in the past four decades.

The acquisition of Norton has enhanced TVS Motor Company's global portfolio, bringing complementary product segments, markets and capabilities in the super-premium category.

Venu Srinivasan, Chairman and Managing Director, TVS Motor Company, shared his vision on 'premiumisation' of products, both in domestic and international markets in this edition.

Over the years, TVS Motor has encouraged its employees to take

home Kaizen-a quality management philosophy. This simple strategic approach has helped its employees to invest in innovative yet simplistic measures to safeguard from the pandemic. The newsletter has created a brief showcase of the initiatives.

The company has been managing the information security risk that arises while working remotely. COVID-19 crisis has demonstrated that societies need to strengthen their resilience to

overcome a pandemic. TVS Motor continues to expand its presence across the globe through partnerships and new product launches with a recent partnership with Autotecnica Colombiana SAS (AutecoSAS) for Colombia and in Nepal, introducing the technologically advanced, feature-packed 2020 version of TVS Apache

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darity between the two nations, the Social Welfare Corporation Anguk Zen Centre in South Korea donated one lakh health masks to TVS Motor Company for free distribution to aid fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

The company's in-house communications team has been recognized and felicitated by Exchange 4 media's Top 25 Brands with Best In-house Communications Professionals

#### **COSMI** and **FEMpower** join forces



Nawaz Rajabdeen and Chamari Gunawardana exchanging MoUs.

President of Sri Lanka's Confederation of Micro, Small and Medium Industries (COSMI) Nawaz Rajabdeen and Chamari Gunawardana, Founder of FEMpowerexchange signed MoUs on 15 September in Colombo.

The MoUs ink the commitment of both organizations to serve female entrepreneurs.

A quarter of Sri Lankan MSMEs sphere is set to reap benefits as a result

of the latest pact signed between a tion will boost the keen and striving leading MSME support Chamber and a Women Entrepreneur Network on 15 work. She added "As a female entrepre-September in Colombo. The FEMpowneur, these days there is an opportunity er network exceeds 2500 entrepre-

neurs Network plays a commendable role in supporting Sri Lankan women ways to make money and in general, entrepreneurs" said Nawaz Rajabdeen. women seem to be very attracted to Chamari said that the new collabora-

entrepreneurial community in her netto connect with other women in business. Women are escaping from their "The FEMpower Women Entrepre- corporate jobs to go out on their own, stay-at-home moms are looking for

#### **KVPL and TTEL win at Hallbars Awards 2020**

Hayleys Plantations, the subsidiaries of Sri Lanka's leading plantations business sector, Kelani Valley Plantations (KVPL) and Talawakelle Tea Estates (TTEL). were recognised as country winners at the prestigious Hallbars Sustainability

Report Awards 2020. KVPL's Annual Report for 2017/2018, 'Growth Beyond Measure', was recognised as the country winner in the Business Sector by Products - Tea category, while TTEL's Integrated Annual Report for 2018/2019, 'Cultured', was recognised as the country winner for the Best Sustainability Annual Report

The Hallbars awards are designed to showcase and encourage a sweeping shift in international efforts towards sustainability, by evaluating the annual reports of nominees across three main pillars- social, environmental, and financial.

In a bid to increase global engagement in sustainability, the reports of all country winners are displayed in a special room at the 'Nobel museum' in Karlskoga - a museum dedicated to the memory of the inventor, entrepreneur, donator and founder of the Nobel Prize, Alfred Nobel.

"Being part of an organisation that has championed sustainability in Sri Lanka for many years, it is inspiring to see the promotion of such practices on a prestigious platform. This is a true hon· KVPL AND TTEL REPORTS TO BE DISPLAYED AT ALFRED NOBEL MUSEUM · SELECTION QUALIFIES BOTH COMPANIES FOR GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY AWARDS · KVPL WINS IN BUSINESS SECTOR BY PRODUCTS- TEA CATEGORY · TTEL WINS COUNTRY AWARD FOR BEST SUSTAINABILITY ANNUAL REPORT DESIGN

under the banner of Hayleys Plantations to have been ranked among such globally renowned brands and leaders in sustainability," Hayleys Plantations Managing Director, Dr Roshan Rajadurai said. KVPL was recog-

nised on par with leading global companies such as TATA from India and Finlays from the UK, while TTEL won recognition alongside leading corporates from Austria, Australia, Germany, Italy and the Nether-Notably, KVPL and TTEL

are now qualified to participate in the Global Sustainability Awards, competing with the reports of other countries in the same catego-

The Hayleys Plantations Sector is comprised of Kelani Valley Plantations PLC (KVPL), Talawakelle Tea Estates PLC (TTEL) and Horana Plantations PLC (HPL). All three companies have consistently maintained top ranks among Sri Lanka's regional plantation companies in rubber and tea respectively. The sector manages 60 tea and rubber estates, and over 26,137 hec-



Roshan Rajadurai

tares of land while accounting for 4.5% and 2.5% of Sri Lanka's tea and rubber production, respectively.

TTEL is Sri Lanka's first plantations company to secure the ISO 50001:2018 for Energy Management System, ISO 14064:2018 for Greenhouse Gases (GHG) Inventory Verification and ISO 14001:2015 for Environment Management Systems (EMS). Similarly, KVPL is also renowned for having become the first company to secure the Organic Rubber Certification. Hayleys Plantations has consistently won local and global recognition for its pioneering work in the field of sustainability, winning the Presidential Environmental Awards in 2019, as the Best Green Reporter of the year on National Green Reporting



System of the year 2019. TTEL won accolades for Best Materiality Reporting, Best Environmental Reporting, Best Carbon Disclosure, Best SDG Reporting and Best Report Design in the Asia Sustainability Reporting Awards 2018 and 2019.

Locally, the company also won the Best Integrated Report in the Plantation Sector at the CMA Excellence in **Integrated Reporting Awards** in 2018 and 2019. KVPL became the first plantations company to win the overall silver Award at National Health and Wellbeing Award 2019, organized by Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) and Chamber of Young Lankan Entrepreneurs (COYLE).

#### **SLASSCOM launches Compensation and Benefits Survey 2020**

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Driven by the objective of providing an indepth analysis of the compensation and salary-related trends and insights of the Sri Lankan IT and BPM sector, the Sri Lanka Association for Software and Services Companies (SLASSCOM) recently launched its Compensation and Benefits Survey for the year 2020, in partnership with PwC Sri Lanka.

being at the forefront of driving knowledge and innovation in the IT/ BPM industry, SLASSCOM has always been a sought-for disseminator of relevant, reliable and timely industry data, insights and information. With over 200 member companies the association covers a huge spectrum of the industry, empowering it with the necessary reach and ability to conduct a comprehensive analysis.

Recognised as a thrust industry within the National Export Strategy (NES) of Sri Lanka with the global promotional tagline of "Island of Ingenuity" for world-class knowledge Forum Head Shehani Seneviratne.



Shehani Seneviratne

as well as a thriving ecosystem for startup companies. This comprehensive research report, which will be published for circulation in December 2020,

will equip industry Positioned and recognised for players with insights, data and trend analysis for decision making with regards to its employees and human

resource management in general. "Carried out covering 150 job positions across a plethora of jobs, representing the practices and perspectives of small, medium and large scale IT and BPM companies, the SLASSCOM Compensation and Benefits Survey will provide wide-ranging compensation and benefits analysis which will arm companies with a comprehensive toolkit of information for effective forecasting and positioning," explains SLASSCOM Board Director and HR







The report will provide statistical analysis of the market mean, median and percentiles for jobs across the IT and BPM sector along with a skillbased analysis of common proficiencies identified to provide an understanding of the variance in pay associated with such skill sets. It will also cover graduate salary scales of selected job positions, providing valuable insights to industry players with regards to entry-level salary scale benchmarking.

#### Leo Burnett bags 'Lanka's Creative Agency of 2020'

Leo Burnett Sri Lanka (part of the Publicis Groupe) has been ranked 'Sri Lanka's Creative Agency of the Year for 2020' at Campaign Brief Asia. Leo Burnett's Creative Team headed by Ransley Burrows has been recognized with this accolade.

Significantly, the results of the 2020 Campaign Brief Asia Creative Rankings are tabulated from creative award wins at the 11 award shows included over a rolling two year and a half year period starting from AdFest 2018 (March 2018) through to Campaign Brief's The Work 2020 (June 2020). The shows that are included in these calculations are Ad Stars, Spikes

Asia, AWARD Awards, AdFest, Campaign Brief's THE WORK, Clio Awards, London International Awards, the forefront of the industry as the New York Festivals, One Show. D&AD and Cannes Lions. This monutry across all media." mental triumph for the Publicis Groupe reflects its creative powerhouse of talent.

Sanjay Chaudhari - Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Publicis Groupe Sri Lanka said, "We are thrilled to be recognized as 'Sri Lanka's Creative Agency of the Year for 2020' by Campaign Brief Asia. We are pleased that our creativity in action is being recognized in the region while benefitting our clients and the rest of the industry. Our performance at several key global awards in 2019/20 has propelled us to foremost creative agency in the cou

The Publicis Groupe in Sri Lanka is facilitating a modern approach to marketing and business transformation that creates greater collaboration and effectiveness to drive new levels of scale and value. It enables lining up end-to-end capabilities across the Groupe in a model that puts clients' agenda first by eliminating silos and complexity and allowing for a much more modular and agile engagement.

#### **Yaasir Muieen heads Junior Chamber International Colombo**

The Annual General Meeting of Junior Chamber International Colombo Chapter (JCI Colombo) was held recently at Royal College Skills Center and Yaasir Muieen was elected as the President

Another office bearer elected to the prestigious JCI Colombo Chapter was Dr. Dilhan Sampath Jayatilleke (Director - Individual) who is well known among many Professional and Social circles

JCI Colombo has the distinction of introducing Jaycees to Sri Lanka way



back in 1954. The name of the International Organization Jaycees was later changed to Junior Chamber International (JCI)

National President of JCI Sri Lanka Isuru Samarage was the Chief Guest while past President Senator Isfahani Sameen attended the event as the Keynote Speaker. International Vice President Senator Khaleel Ur-Rahman (Past President -

JCI Colombo), Immediate Past National President Bathiya Hettiarachchi (Past

President – JCI Colombo), Insaf Ismail (Past President JCI Colombo), Mohamed Hameez (Immediate Past President – JCI Colombo) and Senator Rukmal De Silva (Past President – JCI Colombo) also attended the event.

#### High Tea with Australian **High Commissioner on** 14 October, cancelled

The Royal Commonwealth Society (RCSSL) informs with much regret that the Business Interactive Session and High Tea with the Australian High Commissioner to Sri Lanka which was scheduled to be held on 14th October 2020 at Hotel Galadari Colombo has been cancelled owing to the COVID-19 outbreak in the country and compliance with the Govt. directives on The Royal Commonwealth Society Sri Lanka thanks all who planned on attending the event and will notify the new date for the event no sooner it is conducive to be held.

# **ZILLIONe, Sage deliver ERP licences to Colombo University**

ZILLIONe has partnered with the University of Colombo (UoC) to deliver ERP licenses. Due to the surging demand and popularity for ERP and the need to prepare the graduates for the job market UoC has taken initiatives to introduce 'ERP' as a module into the final year degree program curriculum of students of the Faculty of Management and Finance, the University of Colombo.

ZILLIONe Business Solutions in partnership with Sage sponsored the ERP licenses for the training lab and to facilitate ERP training

for final year students and the instructors of the faculty.

Established in 1979, ZILLIONe is a leading enterprise technology solutions provider with strong inhouse development capabilities and exceptional global partnerships with renowned technology

brands.

Over a span of nearly 40 years, ZILLIONe has served over 400+ clients from different industries across the world. ZILLIONe also has over 30 years of strong expertise in ERP comprising of wellexperienced staff who identify and deliver the best solutions to the customers.

Founded in 1981, Sage is a British Multinational Enterprise automates business and accounting processes. Today, Sage is a market leader for integrated accounting, payroll and payment systems, supporting many enterprises globally.

The product portfolio of Sage ranges from accounting and finance, payroll, business management and CRM for small to medium and large scales of businesses across multiple industries.



CEO / Chairman ZILLIONe Tharmarajah Suresh handing over the software license to Senior Professor Chandrika Wijeyaratne, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Colombo. Dr Sujeewa Damayanthi Dr Janitha Abeygunasekara Dr Sampath Kehelwalatenna, Dr Pradeep Dharmadasa, Luxshumyraj Sivarajah and Amila Sudarshan were also present.

# Second wave tanks market - Acuity Stockbrokers

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The Bourse ended the week on a negative note as the ASPI decreased by 251.45 points (or 4.16%) to close at 5,798.72 points, while the S&P SL20 Index decreased by 105.93 points (or 4.32%) to close at 2,348.50 points.

#### **Turnover & Market Capitalization**

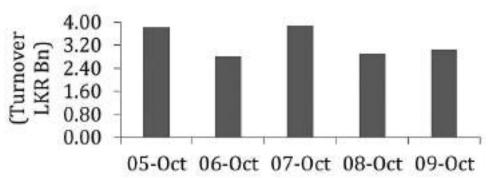
JKH was the highest contributor to the week's turnover value, contributing LKR 3.49Bn or 21.22% of the total turnover value. Expolanka followed suit, accounting for 16.86% of turnover (value of LKR 2.77Bn) while Tokyo Cement contributed LKR 0.82Bn to account for 4.97% of the week's turnover. Total turnover value amounted to LKR 16.46Bn (cf. last week's value of LKR 10.36Bn), while daily average turnover value amounted to LKR 3.29Bn (+27.14% W-o-W) compared to last week's average of LKR 2.59Bn. Market capitalization meanwhile, decreased by 3.81% W-o-W (or LKR 100.08Mn) to LKR 2,524.09Bn cf. LKR 2,624.18Bn last week.

#### **Liquidity (in Value Terms)**

The Capital Goods Industry Group was the highest contributor to the week's total turnover value, accounting for 37.27% (or LKR 6.13Bn) of market turnover. Industry Group's turnover was driven primarily by JKH which accounted for 56.95% of the sector's total turnover.

The Banks Industry Group meanwhile accounted for 15.47% (or LKR 2.55Bn) of the total turnover value, with turnover driven primarily by Sampath, Commercial, HNB & DFCC Bank which accounted for 62.88% of the sector turnover.

The Materials Industry Group was also amongst the top sectorial contributors, contributing 11.46% (or LKR 1.89Bn) to the total



turnover, with turnover driven by Tokyo Cement[X] & Tokyo Cement.

#### **Liquidity (in Volume**

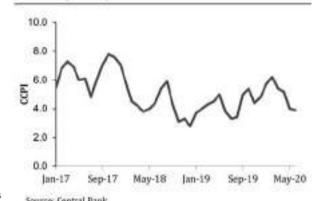
The Food Beverage & Tobacco Industry Group dominated the market in terms of share volume, accounting for 18.71% (or 168.93Mn shares) of total volume, with a value contribution of LKR 1.26Bn. The Transportation Industry Group followed suit, adding 14.55% to total turnover volume as 131.44Mn shares were exchanged. The Industry Group's volume

accounted for LKR 1.58Bn of total market turnover value. The Capital Goods Industry Group meanwhile, contributed 82.95Mn shares (or 9.18%), amounting to LKR 6.13Bn.

#### **Top Gainers & Losers**

Nawaloka was the week's highest price gainer; increasing 51.2% W-o-W from LKR4.10 to LKR6.20 while Raigam Salterns (+47.1% W-o-

Inflation (CCPI-N) YoY%



W), Blue Diamonds[NV] (+33.3% W-o-W) and Singhe Hospitals (+30.4% W-o-W) were also amongst the top gainers.

SMB Leasing[NV] was the week's highest price loser; declining 25.0% W-o-W to close at LKR0.30. Hunas Falls (-21.9% W-o-W), Renuka Holdings (-17.6% W-o-W) and Renuka Hotels[NV] (-17.3% W-o-W) were also amongst the top losers over the week.

Foreign investors closed the week in a net selling position with total net outflow amounting to

flow of LKR 1.99Bn (-6.14% W-o-W). Total foreign purchases increased by 101.95% W-o-W to LKR 0.46Bn from last week's value of LKR 0.23Bn, while total foreign sales amounted to LKR 2.57Bn relative to LKR 2.22Bn recorded last week (+15.92% W-o-W). In terms of volume, Industrial Asphalts & Blue Diamonds led foreign purchases while JKH & Dialog led to foreign sales. In terms of value, CIC[X] & Sampath Bank led foreign purchases while JKH & Tokyo Cement[X] led foreign sales.

#### **Dividend Announcements**

Company DPS(Rs.) Dividend Type Date(XD); HARISCHANDRA MILLS 30.00 Final 16/11/2020 SWISSTEK PLC 2.65 First Interim 16/10/2020 LANKA VENTURES 1.50 Final 20/11/2020 ROYAL CERAMICS 3.00 First Interim 16/10/2020 LAXAPANA BATTERIES 1.00 First & Final 12/11/2020 LVL ENERGY FUND 0.17 Final 20/11/2020 CT HOLDINGS 2.80 Final 02/11/2020.

Key Economic Indicators August; Prime Lending Rate - 7.01%, Ave. Wtd. Deposit Rates -6.44%, Ave. Wtd. Fixed Dep. Rates - 7.9%, CCPI Inflation Y-o-Y % (Base 2013) - 4.1%.

#### ASPI Sheds ~251 Points as New **COVID-19 Cluster Emerges**

The benchmark index snapped 4-consecutive weeks of gains as panic selling on Monday triggered by the detection of a new COVID-19 cluster in the community pushed the ASPI into negative territory despite bargain hunting returning to the market thereafter. Consequently, the Bourse ended the week on a negative note as the ASPI decreased by ~251 points (or -4.2% W-o-W), while the S&P SL20 Index decreased by

~106 points (or -4.3% W-o-W). The ASPI took a nose-dive on Monday, plummeting ~463 points for the day as the discovery of a new COVID-19 cluster after a space of 2 ½ months and a possible lockdown to contain the community spread stoked investor fears. Consequently, the ASPI recorded its largest single-day drop since Mar'20 when markets opened briefly after the GoSL imposed a lockdown to curb the spread of the first wave. The benchmark index shed a further ~53 points on Tuesday as the number of new cases continued to climb.

Meanwhile, in its latest report on South Asia, the World Bank stated that Sri Lanka's economy is expected to contract by 6.7% in 2020 (cf. 3.2% estimated in Apr'20). Despite warnings from the World Bank regarding Sri Lanka's challenging macroeconomic situation, bargain hunting over the remainder of the week helped trim down earlier losses. Consequently, gains on the benchmark index between Wednesday and Friday amounted to ~264 points. Although the foreign sell-off from equities remained relatively subdued during the beginning of the week, foreign selling heightened mid-week amid the downward revision by the World Bank and the State Minister of Capital Markets maintaining that the government has no intention of proceeding with an IMF bailout programme. Consequently, foreign investors were net sellers this week with a total net outflow of Rs. 2.1Bn relative to Rs. 2.0Bn last week. Activity levels in the Colombo Bourse, however, improved this week with daily average turnover amounting to Rs. 3.3Bn cf. Rs. 2.6Bn last week driven mainly by retail investor participation. Local HNI and institutional investor participation also improved as crossings for the week accounted for 18% of total market turnover (cf. 11% last week), dominated by buying interest in indexheavyweight JKH.

## **IPS** to host webinar on State of the Economy report

The Institute of Policy Stud-release of IPS' annual flagship ies of Sri Lanka (IPS) will host a webinar panel discus-

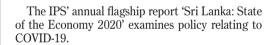
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report 'Sri Lanka: State of the Economy 2020' on Thursday, sion in conjunction with the

15th October 2020 from 3:00-4:00 pm. The panel will feature: Dr Dushni Weerakoon, Executive Director, IPS; Dilhan C. Fernando, CEO, Dilmah Ceylon Tea Com-

Nisha Arunatilake, Director of Research, IPS.

The event will be moderated by Kithmina Hewage, Research Economist, IPS. Questions will be taken through Slido.com using the event code #85404. The event will be live-streamed on the IPS Facebook Page from 2.50 pany, PLC; and Dr pm onwards.



The issue covers Sri Lanka's creditable health response to COVID-19 and the advantages this brings to tackling the economic fallout of the pan-



#### **REVISED INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)** UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA, YAKKALA

BALANCE WORKS FOR EXISTING FOUR STORIED ACADEMIC BUILDING (AC2) AT GAMPAHA WICKRAMARACHCHI AYURVEDA INSTITUTE,

Thinakaran newspapers on 02.10.2020.

Following items of the said advertisement have been changed as follows;

- 1. The pre-Bid meeting will be held on 20.10.2020. At site Gampaha Wickramarachchi
- interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the Deputy Registrar, Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya, Yakkala on any working day from 09.00 hrs. to 13.30 hrs. from 05.10.2020 until 04.11.2020, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 12,000.00 including VAT (Rupees Twelve Thousand) Only. The method of payment will be in cash.
- 3. Sealed Bids shall be deposited in duplicate in the tender box available at the office of the Deputy Registrar, Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya, Yakkala, or sent by registered post addressed to the Deputy Registrar, Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya, Yakkala, of the above address to reach her on or before 14.00 hrs on 05.11.2020. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened immediately

All the other details remain the same. Note that above revisions may have to be changed according to the Covid-19 pandemic situation.

For further details, please contact the Deputy Registrar, Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya, Yakkala. (Tel: -0332226618/0332226027/0 332222740/0332222748)

Director.

Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya.

12.10.2020

Lanka Hospitals, the internationally accredit-UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA, YAKKALA This is further to newspaper advertisement appeared in Daily News, Dinamina and

Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya, Yakkala at 11.00 hrs.

- 2. A complete set of bidding document in English language may be purchased by
- after closing. Bidders or their representatives may attend the Bid opening.

**Prashanth Hospital Chennai discounts IVF** 

Centre at the Wellawatte Royal Hospital recently commenced a special scheme to provide In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) services for couples who are looking to conceive a child. This will take place with the assistance of Dr. Geetha Haripriya who helped over a 1000 couples to conceive. Dr Haripriya has made the dream of having a child come true for couples

The Prashanth Information without children for over 25 years, lending her medical expertise on the matter. She was unable to travel to Sri Lanka during the past few months due to the COVID 19 pandemic situation.

However, she has taken steps to ensure that Sri Lankan couples who are expecting her services will receive a special dis-

Thus, all couples who regis-

ter for IVF Treatment from Dr Haripriya before the 31st October 2020 will receive a special discount from the Prashanth Fertility Research Centre Chennai, India until 31st March 2021. If air travel is not restored by then the discounts will be applicable for a later

For more information visit the Prashanth Information Centre at the Wellawatte Royal Hospital.



Dr Geetha Haripriya

#### Lanka Hospitals celebrates 9,000 heart surgeries Feat celebrated on World Heart Day 2020

Lanka Hospitals, the internationally accredited multiple award-winning healthcare provider celebrated World Heart Day on 29th September 2020. The event also marked the successful completion of 9,000 heart surgeries at the hospital's Heart Centre. Lanka Hospitals' Group Chief Executive Officer -Deepthi Lokuarachchi, Lanka Hospitals' Director Medical Services -Dr Wimal Karandagoda, other senior members of Lanka Hospitals' management, heart specialists and staff of the hospital's Heart Centre participated in the event.

The event also included an educational panel discussion by three senior resident cardiac specialists with regard to heart health and the importance of preventing heart dis-

The members of the panel disussion were Resident Consultant Cardiologist - Dr M. Mubarak, Chief Resident Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon - Dr G. Gandhiji and Resident Consultant Cardiac Anaesthesiologist - Dr P. Lushan-

The Heart Centre at Lanka Hos-



From left - Lanka Hospitals' Chief Marketing Officer - Nimal Ratnayake, Director Medical Services - Dr Wimal Karandagoda, Group Chief Executive Officer - Deepthi Lokuarachchi, Resident Consultant Cardiologist - Dr M. Mubarak, Chief Resident Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon -Dr G. Gandhiji and Resident Consultant Cardiac Anaesthesiologist - Dr P. Lushantha cutting a

comprehensive cardiac and cardiothoracic surgical procedures and has maintained a proven track record in quality healthcare. Lanka

centre offers a complete range of most prestigious accreditations in Quality Alliance (MTQUA). Furthe world for its healthcare service thermore, Lanka Hospitals Diagstandards including the Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation 6th edition and the world- the prestigious laboratory accredipitals has been a pioneer in heart Hospitals is the first hospital in Sri respected Medical Tourism Certifitation body, The College of Ameri-

nostics (LHD) is the only Sri Lankan laboratory to be accredited by health for nearly two decades. The Lanka to be awarded some of the cation from the Medical Travel can Pathologists (CAP).

# Lanka Hospitals unveils scoliosis Clinic

ed multiple award-winning healthcare provider has unveiled a dedicated Scoliosis Clinic that specialises in the treatment of curved or damaged spines.

Scoliosis is a treatable condition that causes the spine to curve toward the side in the shape of the letter 'S' or 'C'. While the cause of scoliosis in most instances are unknown, the symptoms of scoliosis could also include uneven shoulders, one shoulder blade that appears more prominent than the other, uneven waist or one hip that is higher than the other.

"Lanka Hospitals has established a centre for orthopaedic care, neurological care and a separate, fully-fledged centre for physiotherapy treatment. We saw the need to provide more visibility and access to treatment services in scoliosis seeing that it is a critical condition commonly seen in teenagers and young girls.

We, therefore, chose to integrate the services of our experienced teams in orthopaedic, neurology and physiotherapy to offer specialised scoliosis treatment at Lanka Hospitals," Lanka Hospitals' Group Chief Executive Officer, Deepthi Lokuarachchi stated.

"Scoliosis causes a lot of anxiety among parents and physiological trauma among their children who suffer from this disease. However, prior assessment of the deformity and appropriate treatment can prevent further deterioration of the condition. We offer physiotherapy and braces as a treatment method to prevent the worsening of the condition. However, for more serious scoliosis conditions we provide surgical correction to control the disease to a satisfactory level," Consultant Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr Gamini Punchihewa of Lanka Hospitals' Scoli-

The treatment for scoliosis at Lanka Hospi-

tals is conducted by a multi-disciplinary team that includes the doctors specialising in scoliosis treatment, physiotherapists, psychologists, technicians for the preparation of back braces along with other additional support which may be required based on a patient's condition. The surgical team for scoliosis is led by eminent neurosurgeons and orthopaedic surgeons. Lanka Hospitals is the first hospital in Sri Lanka to be awarded some of the most prestigious accreditations in the world for its healthcare service standards including the Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation 6th edition and the world-respected Medical Tourism Certification from the Medical Travel Quality Alliance (MTQUA). Furthermore, Lanka Hospitals Diagnostics (LHD) is the only Sri Lankan laboratory to be accredited by the prestigious laboratory accreditation body, The College of American Pathologists (CAP).

# Daily Rews TENDER AND OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS



#### **SRI LANKA PORTS AUTHORITY**

#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

The Chairman, Department Procurement Committee on behalf of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the items given below.

Tender No.	Name of the Tender	Bid Security Amount (Rs.)	Document Fee (Inclusive of VAT)	Closing Date & Time
CMS/LP/20/PT/20/051	16 Nos. Motor Tyres 1800x25 40 PLY Tubeless	65,000.00	1,000.00	26.10.2020 13.30 hrs

- 2. Bidders are hereby informed that the provisions of Public Contracts Act No. 03 of 1987 are applicable to tenders exceeding Rs. 5 Million. Accordingly, all parties involved in each aforementioned tenders are required to strictly abide by the said act throughout the duration of contract. Furthermore, any bidder who wishes to act as an agent, sub-agent, a representative or a nominee for and on behalf of any foreign manufacturer or a supplier is required to register himself with the Registrar of Public Contracts and submit the duly completed registration certificate along with his bid documents.
- The bidders should have been in the business of supplying similar goods given above at least during the last three (03) years.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the Chief Manager (Supplies & Material Management) and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below during office hours.
- 5. A complete set of bidding documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee indicated in Column 04 from 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020 during 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on working days up to day prior to the closing date. The method of payment will be by cash.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before closing time. Late bids will not be accepted. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below at closing time. All bids must be accompanied by the amount of above mentioned Bid

**Chief Manager (Supplies & Material Management)** Supplies Division, Sri Lanka Ports Authority,

No. 45, Leyden Bastian Road, Colombo 01.

Telephone Nos. 2482231, 2483338, 2482499, 2482832, 2482409, 2482652, 2482638

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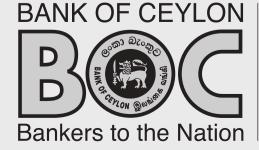
#### **BANK OF CEYLON**

#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Sealed Bids are hereby invited from reputed Manufactures / Suppliers or their Accredited Local Agents for Supply of the following Gift items as given below.

Bid No.	P/PROC/2020/195
Description of the Procurement	Purchase of Gift items for Bank of Ceylon
Description	Quantity
Item 01 - Picture Books Item 02 - Clocks Item 03 - Umbrellas	130,000 nos 3,000 nos 13,000 nos
Applicable non-refundable bidding Documents Fee	Rs.5,400 /- (Rs. 5,000/- + Rs.400/- VAT)
Last date & time of issuing bidding Documents	23.10.2020 at 1500 hrs
Date & time of closing bid	26.10.2020 at 1000 hrs
Pre- Bid meeting will be held on	19.10.2020 at 1100 hrs on the 03 <sup>rd</sup> floor BOC Head Office Building.

- 1. Bid Documents could be obtained from Properties & Procurement Department, 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon Head Office, "BOC Square", No. 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01, submitting a written request and paying non refundable fee of Rs. 5,400/- including VAT. (Rs.5,000/- + Rs.400/- VAT) between 0900 hrs and 1500hrs on working days of the Bank.
- 2. Perfected bid documents should be accompanied by a Bank Guarantee / Bid Bond for the value relevant to the bid as indicated above issued by a commercial bank (other than Bank of Ceylon) acceptable to the Bank of Ceylon and valid upto 22.02.2021. Cash deposits / Bank Pay Orders / Bank Drafts (not personal cheques) are also acceptable in lieu of Bid Bonds.
- 3. Bids will be opened immediately after closing at 1000 hrs on the due date and the bids received later than 1000 hrs will be rejected and returned unopened.
- 4. The Bank of Ceylon reserves the right of rejecting any or all bids and the right of accepting any portion of a bid without adducing any reasons.
- 5. Further details could be obtained from the Chief Manager, Properties & Procurement Dept.



#### Chief Manager

Properties & Procurement Department, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square",

No. 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01.

Telephone: 2204265, 2544310

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01. REFERENCE NO: 202031020

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE SUPPLY OF SET YOGHURT FOR ON-BOARD SERVICE

02. REFERENCE NO: 202031092

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE SUPPLY OF FRESH MILK IN TETRA PACKS FOR ON-BOARD SERVICE

For 1st and 2st tenders, bid closing date: 04th November 2020 at 1000 hrs Sri Lankan time (GMT + 5:30 Time Zone)

03.REFERENCE NO: 202030909

INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE SUPPLY OF READY TO SERVE FRUIT JUICES FOR ON-BOARD SERVICE

For 3rd tender, bid closing date: 25th November 2020 at 1000 hrs Sri Lankan time (GMT + 5:30 Time Zone)

Bidding forms could be downloaded directly from:

https://www.srilankan.com/en\_uk/coporate/tender-notices

CHAIRMAN OF ENTERPRISE PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE STATE MINISTRY OF AVIATION AND EXPORT ZONE DEVELOPMENT ON BEHALF OF SRILANKAN AIRLINES LIMITED

#### **NATIONAL YOUTH CORPS**

(MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS)

#### **INVITATION OF BIDS**

National Competitive Bid Invitation No. 04 for the Supply of Training Uniforms for Trainees to be Recruited for year 2021

Bids are hereby invited from 12.10.2020 until 02.11.2020 from suppliers who have the business registration for the supply of undermentioned training uniforms for the trainees to be recruited in year 2021 (Batches 2021-I and 2021-II) for the Training Centres situated throughout the island of the National Youth Corps under the Ministry of Youth and

Ser. No.	Description (Sets of Uniforms are as given below)	Quantity	Bid Fee Rs.	Bid Security Rs.
1	T Shirts with collar (Textile Material – Poly Cotton 65/35 180 gsm minimum) (Pique Materials)	36,000	5,000.00	230,000.00
2	Pairs of Trouser (Textile Material – Poly Cotton 65/35, 220 gsm (Trouser Materials)	36,000	6,000.00	300,000.00
3	Canvas Shoe Pairs	18,000	4,000.00	200,000.00
4	Belts (with Buckle)	18,000	1,000.00	30,000.00

- 2. Uniform sets should be manufactured based on the requirements of the National Youth Corps in the colours mentioned in the specification as per the specification attached to the bid forms. Bid documents with the samples and specifications may be inspected between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on government working days from 12.10.2020 until 02.11.2020. Further details may be obtained from the Procurement Officer (Mrs. G.H.G.G.I. Lakmalee) by calling on Tel. Nos. 0112-690294/0112-688885.
- Bid applications may be obtained between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on government working days from 12.10.2020 until 02.11.2020 on submission to the Procurement Division of the receipt obtained from the Shroff of the Accounts Division of the National Youth Corps upon payment of the non-refundable bid fee shown against each item in the above table separately for each item.
  - Under the present pandemic situation owing to Covid 19 if curfew is declared either in the Borella Police area in Colombo District or in the district where the institution of the bidder is situated or in the place where the bid documents are issued on the above said dates and times only during that period the bid fee should be credited to Account No. 7040885 maintained in Bank of Ceylon Independence Square Branch and the receipt obtained from the bank should be sent to the email address procurement.nyc.@gmail.com or by sending via WhatsApp account between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on working days from 12.10.2020 until 02.11.2020 you may obtain the Bid Form No. entitled to you via email address. Further, you may also submit the receipt obtained from the bank upon crediting the money during the curfew period to the Security Division and obtain the relevant bid document.
- Quotations should be submitted separately for Ser. Nos. 01 to 04 mentioned in the table above for uniform sets and you should submit samples with the bid for T Shirts with Collars, Pairs of Trousers, Pair of Canvas Shoes and Belts (with Buckle) and you should have obtained the Manufacturers Fabric Assurance Certificate for the Trouser and T Shirt samples.
- Sealed bids in duplicate may either be sent by registered post addressed to "Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee (Major), National Youth Corps Headquarters, No. 420, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 07" or deposited in the bid box kept at the Main Auditorium at the National Youth Corps Headquarters to receive before 11.00 a.m. on 03.11.2020 and the bids will be opened on the same day 03.11.2020 at 11.00 a.m. at the Auditorium of the National Youth Corps Headquarters.
- At the time the bidder submits the bid, following information should be correctly submitted.
- One of the following documents should be submitted to prove that the bidder is registered for the items in

Business Registration Certificate obtained from the Divisional Secretariat

Certificate of Incorporation obtained from the Department of Registrar of Companies and the Articles of Association

Trading License obtained from the Local Government Authority for year 2020

- Original of the Quality Certificate obtained after 12.10.2020 either from the Sri Lanka Institute of Textile and Apparel or from the Sri Lanka Standards Institution (SLS) regarding the textile material for T Shirt with Collar and Pair of Trousers and uniform (02 samples each of the sets of uniforms to be stitched and completed should be submitted separately) and Original of the Technological Report obtained after 12.10.2020 from either the Industrial Technical Institute (ITI) or from the Sri Lanka Institute of Textile and Apparel regarding the Canvas Shoes along with samples of Canvas shoes should be submitted.
- Should submit 02 samples of the Belt (with Buckle) as per the specifications of the National Youth Corps should be submitted.
- Bidder should submit a bid security drawn in favour of Chairman / Director, National Youth Corps, No. 420, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 07, valid from the date of opening of bids on 03.11.2020 until 14.02.2021 issued by a commercial bank approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka to the value mentioned against each item in Column 05 of the table above for each item of the uniform.
- Statement issued by the banker or the audited Annual Accounts Statement for 03 financial years (2017, 2018, 2019) and the documents to prove that Income Tax has been paid for years 2017, 2018 and 2019 should be submitted to check the financial capability of the bidder as at the date of submitting the bid.
- All the photocopies of the documents submitted should be certified by the bidder as true copies.
- Bids should be valid from the bid opening date of 03.11.2020 until 31.01.2021.
- Pre Bid Meeting regarding this will be held at 11.00 a.m. on 22.10.2020 at the Auditorium of the National Youth
  - Bids without the documents mentioned in Paragraphs 06 and 07 will be rejected.

**Departmental Procurement Committee (major)** National Youth Corps headquarters No. 420, Bauddhaloka Mawatha Colombo 07

12.10.2020

Land Acquisition Act (Chapter 460) as Amended by the Land Acquisition (Amendment) Act No. 28 of 1964.

#### **Notice Under Section 7**

The Government intends to acquire the land described in the schedule below. For further particulars please see the Gazette Extra Ordinary No. 2191/3 dated 31.08.2020 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

#### **SCHEDULE**

District : Matara

Divisional Secretary's : Hakmana Division

Grama Niladhari Division: No. 295, Kongala East Name of the Land : Kongalayaya, Motamure : Final Village Plan 187 Plan No.

Ref No. HAK/LAN/1/15

: Divisional Secretariat, Hakmana Address

**B.S.** Ranjitha **Divisional Secretary** Hakmana.

At Divisional Secretariat, Hakmana 07 Day of October 2020

Lot Nos.





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#### **DISTRICT SECRETARIAT, COLOMBO**

#### REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS OF GOODS AND SUPPLIERS OF **SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS - 2021**

Registrations are undertaken to register the suppliers of goods, suppliers of services and to register the construction contractors for the year 2021 for the District Secretariat, Colombo and 13 (thirteen) Divisional Secretariats in the District of Colombo. Categories and groups for registration are as follows.

- 1. Machinery and equipment
- 2. Computers, computer accessories and network equipment.
- 3. Office equipment
- Office stationery, toners etc.
- 5. Purchasing/preparations of furniture
- 6. Printing and publicity items
- 7. Building materials
- 8. Textiles and leather products
- 9. Sports goods/items, equipment
- 10. Vehicle requisites
- 11. Supply of Services
- 12. All kinds of repairs/renovations 13. Festival and welfare items/goods
- 14. Construction contractors
- 15. Supply of food and beverages
- 16. Other

#### **CONDITIONS**

- 1. All the applicants should be registered businessmen registered in Sri Lanka.
- 2. Application forms for the registrations could be obtained by interested applicants upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 300/- per each category of items, from 14th October 2020 to 30th November 2020 on office working days from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. from the Colombo District Secretariat, Colombo or from the 13 Divisional Secretariats in the District of Colombo. Each category/group has a sub category/group and each sub category/group applied for should be clearly indicated in the applications. Cheques or money orders will not be accepted and in case of the application is rejected the registration fee paid will not be refunded.
- Duly completed applications should either be sent by registered post directly or hand delivered to the address of the relevant Divisional Secretariats at or before 2.00 p.m. on 30th November 2020 and applications for the District Secretariat, Colombo should either be sent by Registered post or hand delivered only to the District Secretariat, 9th Floor, Elivitigala Mawatha, Narahenpita, Colombo 05 to be received before the closing time given.
- 4. Application documents could be inspected prior to obtaining application forms and further details in this regard could be obtained contacting the Accountant over telephone No. 011-2368152, 011-2369143.

District Secretary/Government Agent District Secretariat Office, Elvitigala Mawatha, Narahenpita, Colombo 05.



#### **PEOPLE'S BANK AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES**

Articles pawned from 01.11.2018 up to 30.06.2019 one year at the undermentioned Branches & Service Centers of the People's Bank in Matale Region and not redeemed up to the dates given in each branch will be sold by Public Auction starting at 9.00 a.m. on the dates and places as indicated below.

NAME & ADDRESS OF THE BRANCHES & PAWNING & SERVICE CENTRES	ARTICLES UNREDEEMED UP TO	DATE OF AUCTION	PLACE
Wilgamuwa Branch Laggala - Pallegama Service Centre	06.11.2020	07.11.2020	Wilgamuwa Branch Premises
Dambulla Branch Inamaluwa Service Centre Madatugama Service Centre	06.11.2020	07.11.2020 08.11.2020	Dambulla Branch Premises
Galewela Branch Dewahuwa Service Centre	06.11.2020	07.11.2020 08.11.2020	Galewela Branch Premises
Matale Branch Trincomalee St. Service Centre Gonawala Road Service Centre Lanka Porcelain Unit	06.11.2020	07.11.2020 08.11.2020 15.11.2020	Matale Branch Premises
Ukuwela Branch Warakamura Service Centre	13.11.2020	15.11.2020	Ukuwela Branch Premises
Rattota Branch Kaikawela Service Centre	20.11.2020	21.11.2020	Rattota Branch Premises
Naula Branch Madawala-Ulpotha Service Centre	20.11.2020	21.11.2020	Naula Branch Premises
Pallepola Branch Yatawatta Service Centre	20.11.2020	21.11.2020	Pallepola Branch Premises

The Bank reserves the right to change the place, cancel, amalgamate or postpone these auctions without further notice to the public.

**REGIONAL MANAGER** People's Bank, **Regional Head Office** Matale.

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No.100/1, Sri Jayawardenepura Mw, Rajagiriya.

#### KALPITIYA PRADESHIYA SABHA

#### REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS AND CONTRACTORS FOR THE YEAR 2021

- 1. Applications are invited from qualified suppliers and contractors who wish to register themselves for the supply of undermentioned materials and services to this Sabha for the year 2021.
- All applications should be addressed to "Secretary, Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha, Kalpitiya" and may either be sent by registered post or hand delivered mentioning "Registration of Suppliers and Contractors for Year 2021" on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing the application.
- SUPPLIES: Registration Fee (For one item Rs. 1000.00)
  - Office equipment/furniture /steel furniture and other equipment Stationery / papers / exercise books / school bags / water bottles and
  - other stationery materials Electrical equipment and street lighting equipment
  - Concrete fence posts, hume pipes / concrete fence posts and other

  - Supply of tyres, tubes & batteries and retreading of tyres. Spare parts and accessories for vehicles and machinery
  - Computers and Computer Equipment (Printers / UPS / Toners / Cartridges
  - Supply of electronic typewriters / photocopiers / fax machines / Roneo machines / Duplo machines / Finger marking machines / Calculators and other accessories
  - Sports goods / Pre-School equipment
  - Uniforms / Shoes / Curtains 10.
  - 11. Library books, magazines, newspapers
  - Supply of concrete metal, sand, cement blocks, engineering bricks, Pre Mix / building and road construction materials
  - 13. Health / Sanaitary Materials and Equipment (Ekel brooms / brooms / brushes / small door mats, Lysol, Gum Boots, garbage bins, gloves, masks, cane baskets, and rain coats & Harpic, grass cutting machines)
  - 14. Plant varieties
- Tar and Colas
- 16. Dog collars
- 17. Commemorative plaques Purchase of old newspapers
- 19. Suppliers of gravel
- 20. Supply of Date Stamps / Rubber Stamps Fuel
- 22. Gas cylinders
- Cement, iron, hinges, wires, paints, roofing sheets, nail varieties and other building construction materials
- Road Maintenance Equipment (Mammoties, Shovels, Rakes, Katties, Manna Knives)
- 25. Processing of Office Identity Cards
- SERVICES: Registration Fee (For one item Rs. 1000.00)
  - Supply of printing services
  - Repairing of Vehicles and Supply of Accessories
  - Servicing of Vehicles and Supply of Equipment
  - Cushioning, Carpeting of Vehicles, Supply of Canvas Covers
  - Checking Vehicle Wheel Alignment, Wheel Balancing and Tyre Changing
  - Tinkering and Painting of Vehicles Repairing the Vehicle Air Conditioners
  - Obtaining Vehicles and Machinery on hire basis
  - Provision of translation services
  - Provision of Transport Services on hire basis
  - All kinds of welding works and repairs
  - Repairs to photocopiers, fax machines, Roneo machines, Duplo machines, etc. and repairs to office equipment
  - Tyre retreading
  - 14. Repairs to air-conditioners and installation (Buildings)
  - Repairing of sanitary equipment including Thrashers, kattys, mammoties, knives, drain shovels
  - 16. Gravel transporters (for by-roads of the Sabha authority area and for Sabha development works)
  - Supply of Road Rollers above 8 Tons, Motor Graders and other machinery Supply of platforms, loudspeakers, lightings, plastic chairs, huts, etc. and
  - other festival goods Supply of food and beverages for events
  - Notice boards / cut-outs / banners / stickers / tinting 20.
  - Land surveying 21.
  - Purchasing of old newspapers, empty bottles, old iron
  - 23. Felling/cutting of dangerously positioned trees
  - Translators / legal consultants for legal affairs
  - Repairing of Office Equipment (Chairs, Tables and Cabinets) 26. Repairing of Computer Equipment and Developing Computer Software
  - Repairing of Electrical Equipment and Water Motors 28. Insuring the Sabha properties
- Construction Contractors (Road construction and building construction)

Photocopies of Business Registration Certificate and other relevant certificates should be submitted.

Should be active Contractors with valid ICTAD or CIDA Registration

#### **Quotation Limits** Works below Rs. 500,000.00

#### Registration Fee (with Tax) Rs. 1.000.00

- Rs. 2,000.00 Works below Rs. 1,000,000.00 Works below Rs. 5,000.000.00
- Works over Rs. 5,000,000.00
- Rs. 2,500.00 Rs. 3000.00
- 03. **CONDITIONS and INSTRUCTIONS** Application forms will be issued up to 3.00 p.m. on government working days from 05.10.2020 until 05.11.2020. May apply either by using the application form issued by the Pradeshiya
  - on A4 size paper upon payment of the registration fee. Registration fee may be paid only by cash or by cheque and cheques should

Sabha or by self prepared applications as per the specimen given below

- be drawn in favour of "Secretary, Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha, Kalpitiya" Separate applications should be submitted for registration for each supply
- on the left-hand top corner of the envelope containing the application.
- and service and the name of the supply or service should be mentioned Pradeshiya Sabha reserves the right to invite quotations and to purchase from other sources in addition to the registered suppliers.
- Registration of those suppliers who do not submit quotations or deliver goods at stipulated time or do not comply with the conditions when submitting quotations will be cancelled without prior intimation.
- Copy of the Business Registration Certificate should be submitted with the application for registration compulsorily.
- Applicants registered for VAT should submit a copy of the VAT Registration
- All applications will be received only up to 2.00 p.m. on 16.11.2020.
- Registration of the suppliers who fail to respond thrice when called to submit quotations will be cancelled.
- When registering service institutes relevant to repairs of vehicles only the institutions that are qualified after checking the following matters regarding repairing, tinkering, painting and servicing of vehicles will be registered.

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Date: 05.10.2020

01. Personal Information:

- Labour force (skilled and experienced) Guarantee of the safety of vehicles forwarded for repairs
- Further details could be obtained from the Supplies Officer / Chief Management Assistant during office hours.

A.M. Infaas Chairman

Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha

#### KALPITIYA PRADESHIYA SABHA

#### Specimen Application form for the **Registration of Suppliers**

- a) Full name of the applicant:..... b) Address:.... c) Telephone No.: Land :..... Mobile:... d) Fax No.:
- e) E-mail Address :... f) Items for which registration is sought for and Item No.: ......
- Business Registration Certificate No.: (Attach a photocopy of the certificate) VAT Registration No.:
- (Attach a photocopy of the certificate) Maximum period of credit facilities provided:.....
- Details of goods and services supplied before this:..... .....
- I do hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. Accordingly, I do request to register our institution as a supplier for year 2021.

	Signature of the Applicant (Stamp)
02) For Official use only:	Application No.:
Registered as a Supplier.	
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Amount :..... Receipt No. Decision:.... Supplies Officer Secretary

#### KALPITIYA PRADESHIYA SABHA

#### Specimen Application form for the **Registration of Contractors**

#### 01. Personal Information:

- a) Full name of the applicant: ..... b) Address: ..... c) Telephone No.: Land : ..... Mobile: .....
- d) Fax No.: ..... e) E-mail Address : .....
  - Field
  - Building Highway Bridge
  - Business Registration Certificate No.:
  - (Attach a photocopy of the certificate)
- VAT No.: (Attach a photocopy of the certificate)
- Value of fixed assets (Rs.):
- Approved limit of Bank Loans:
- k) Mention 03 works exceeding 10 lakhs completed within the past 03 years: .....

I do hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. Accordingly, I do request to register our Contractor as a supplier for year 2021.

> Signature of the Applicant (Seal/Stamp)

03) For Official use only: Application No.: ..... Registered as a Contractor:

Decision: ..... Supplies Officer

> Secretary (Seal)

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#### DEHIWALA - MOUNT LAVINIA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

#### QUOTATIONS FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING (CB) **INVITED FROM AUDIT FIRMS**

Quotations are hereby invited from Audit Firms, capable of auditing in espect of the stores of the Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia Municipal Council.

- Relevant bidding documents could be obtained form the office of the Chief Municipal Accountant of the Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia Municipal Council, up to 27.10.2020 on working days of the week from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 1,000/- (One Thousand only).
- Duly completed sealed tenders in two copies enclosed separately marked as the 'Original' and the 'Duplicate' and indicating the caption to the effect "Quotations for the Auditing in respect of Stores of the Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia Municipal Council", on the top left hand corner of the envelopes should either be sent by registered post to the following address or deposited in the Tender Box kept at the office of the Municipal Commissioner of following address to be received at or before 2.00 p.m. on 27.10.2020.
- Bids will be opened immediately after the closing of bids in the presence of the bidders or their accredited agents. Municipal Council of Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia, reserves the right to accept or reject any bid or all the bids.

The address above referred to:

Municipal Commissioner,

Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia Municipal Council Telephone No.: 0112-721379

W.T.A. Manel **Municipal Commissioner** 

Dehiwala - Mount Lavinia Municipal Council

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF **FUNDAMENTAL STUDIES SRI LANKA**

#### **REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS** 2021

Applications are invited from Manufacturers/ Corporations/

Sole Agents and Business Establishments who wish to register themselves with this Institute for the supply of the undermentioned goods and services for the year 2021, **Supply of Goods** 

- 01. Stationery and Office Requisites including Computer Stationery
- 02. Computers, Computer Equipment and Accessories
- 03. Tyres and Tubes
- 04. Laboratory Chemicals and Consumables 05. Office Furniture (Steel and Wooden)
- 06. Office Equipment (Photocopiers, etc,)
- 07. Air-conditioning Equipment 08. Communication Equipment (Fax, Telex etc)
- 09. Laboratory Equipment 10. Electrical Items and Fittings
- 11. Motor Spares for Isuzu, Nissan, Mitsubishi, Toyota
- 12. Spares for Motor Cycles/Bajaj Three-wheelers 13. General Hardware
- 14. Tools and Implements
- 15. Gas (LP, Argon, O<sub>2</sub> etc.)
- **Supply of Services** 
  - 01. Repairs to Cars/Jeeps/Double Cabs 02. Air Conditioner Repairs and Services

03. Building Repairs and Construction Works

- 04. Printing 05. Courier
- 07. Repairs of Equipment

Tailoring

06.

- Cushioning 09. Movers
- 10. Caterers 11. Hiring of Tables, Chairs, Marquee, etc.
- 12. Laundry Services
- 13. Hiring Vehicles (Cars, Vans, Cabs, Lorries, etc.)
- 14. Aluminium Fabrication work
- 15. Servicing of Vehicles
- 16. Repairs to Electrical Items

Registration must be applied for in respect of each category for supplies and services listed above separately on application forms obtainable from the Administration Division on payment of a fee of Rs. 500/- for each category. If application forms are required by post, a self-addressed Rs. 45.00 worth stamped envelope should be sent in favour of National Institute of Fundamental Studies along with the required fee by only a Money Order (Post Office, Kandy).

Quotations will normally be called from the list of registered institutions, but the NIFS reserves the right to obtain offers and make purchases from other sources when deemed necessary in order to obtain competitive prices. Suppliers who fail to quote when required or delay to execute

orders placed or whose supplies are not in conformity with the

specifications or the Standards will be struck off the list without prior notice. The NIFS reserves to itself the right to accept or reject any applications sent in for registration without assigning any

Application forms will be issued up to 12.11.2020 during office hours from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Completed application forms should be enclosed in sealed envelope and marked "Registration of Suppliers -2021" on the left-hand corner of the envelope. Applications should be directed to the Administration Division, National Institute of Fundamental Studies, Hantana Road, Kandy via registered post to reach this office on or before 30.11.2020.

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#### EXTENSION OF TENDER CLOSING DATES

Reference to the below Tender advertisements published in the Sunday Observer of 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020 and Daily News of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.

REFERENCE NO: CPIT/ICB 02/2020 INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE PROVISIONING OF A NEW GENERATION CARGO MANGEMENT SYSTEM.

REFERENCE NO: CPIT/ICB 04/2020 INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE PROVISIONING OF AN AUTOMATED FLIGHT PLANNING SOLUTION.

REFERENCE NO: CPIT/NCB 01/2020 INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS FOR THE PROVISIONING OF LOCAL IT NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES.

The Bid closing date of same has been extended as follows:

Bid closing date: 27th October 2020 at 11.00 am Sri Lankan time (GMT + 5:30 Time Zone)

The bidding forms have been amended accordingly and same could be downloaded directly from the following link: https://www.srilankan.com/en\_uk/coporate/tender-notices

MINISTRY OF TOURISM ON BEHALF OF SRILANKAN AIRLINES LIMITED



#### MINISTRY OF TRADE

#### FOOD COMMISSIONER'S DEPARTMENT

#### INVITATION FOR BIDS

- 1. Sealed bids will be received by the Chairman, Department Procurement Committee on behalf of the Food Commissioner's Department from eligible and qualified bidders for the implementation and completion of the work stated below.
- 2. Bidding will be conducted through the National competitive bidding procedure.

		Estimated	n	<b>a</b>	Non-	WY 10 1	Bid Se	curity
Bid No.	Contract Title	Cost (without VAT) (Rs. Million)	Required CIDA Grade	Contract Period (Months)	refundable Document Fee (Rs)	Valid Period (Days)	Amount (Rs)	Valid Period (Days)
01	Repairs to the Hambantota Stores	18	C6 or Higher (Building)	9	5,000	77	180,000	105

- 3. To qualify for granting of contract the successful bidder should not have been blacklisted and should fulfil the CIDA grade stated herein up to the bid closing date. Further the registration should remain valid on the contract granting date.
- Interested bidders can obtain further details from the Accounts Section of the Food Commissioner's Department at No. 330, Union Place, Colombo 02 (Tel. No. 0112421211). A complete set of bid documents in English language can be purchased by interested bidders from 09th October, 2020 up to 22nd October, 2020, on working days, between 0900 hrs and 1430 hrs, on payment of the non-refundable fee and submission of a written application. Payments should be made only by cash.
- Sealed bids could either be sent by registered post to the undermentioned address or delivered to the Accounts Section of the Food Commissioner's Department, to be received at or before 1500 hrs on 23rd October, 2020. Bids received will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidders' authorized representatives.

All bids should be accompanied with a bid security

- The format contained in the Bid Documents
- Drawn in favour of the Food Commissioner Issued by an Agency stated in the bid documents.

#### Chairman.

Department Procurement Committee, Food Commissioner's Department, 330, Union Place, Colombo 02.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES - CENTRAL PROVINCE

#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

#### **Dogs Sterilization Programme - 2020**

- Bids are invited by the Central Provincial Director of Health Services of the Central Provincial Department of Health Services, from qualified bidders for the sterilization of female dogs numbering 1870 (one thousand eight hundred and seventy) living within the Central Province.
- Bidders can either be professional individuals, professional groups or collective volunteer organizations. To obtain relevant bid documents, bidders should submit a copy of the certificate of registration either from the relevant Divisional Secretariat, Business Names Ordinance or the Companies Act and should be able to obtain the services of the minimum staff members stated below.
  - Two Veterinary Surgeons registered at the Sri Lanka Veterinary Council.
  - Two Veterinary Assistants
  - Two labourers for the capture of dogs

1.	Commencing date and time for issuance of bid documents	From 14th October 2020 up to 03rd November 2020, on government working days, between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. (Bid documents can be inspected free of charge)
2.	Price of a bid documents and place of issuing	Non-refundable fee of Rs. 5,000.00 should submit the receipt received from the Chief Accountant of the office of the Central Provincial Director of Health Services on payment made by cash.
3.	Closing date and time for accepting of bids	10.00 a.m. on 04th November 2020
4.	Value of Bid Security	The refundable deposit could either be made by a Bid security for Rs. 75,000.00 obtained from a commercial bank approved by the "Central Bank of Sri Lanka, drawn in favour of the Central Provincial Director of Health Service" valid up to 31st December 2020 or submit the receipt received from the Chief Accountant of the Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, for the payment by cash, of an amount of Rs. 37,500.00
5.	Bid opening date, time and place	At 10.00 a.m. on 04th November 2020 at the office of the Regional Director of Health Service, Sangaraja Mawatha, Kandy.
6.	Method of submission of completed bids	Bids could either be sent by registered post addressed to Central Provincial Director of Health Services, No. 163, Sangaraja Mawatha, Kandy or placed in the Bid Box kept at the same address

Further details can be obtained from the Chief Accountant of the office of the Central Provincial Director of Health Services on telephone No: 081-2222856.

#### Chairman.

Procurement Committee, **Central Provincial Department of Health Services** 

P.O. Box 163,

Sangaraja Mawatha, Kandy 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

#### **MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, POLONNARUWA**

#### INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRACTORS AND TRAILERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Chairman, Procurement Board of Polonnaruwa Municipal Council from qualified suppliers for the purchase of tractors and trailers for the Council. Relevant Bids should either be sent to reach the "Chairman, Procurement Board, Municipal Council, Polonnaruwa" by registered post or hand delivered and deposited in the Bid container kept in the custody of Municipal Accountant before 12.00 noon on 03.11.2020. The top left hand corner of the envelope containing Bid should be clearly marked as "Purchase of tractors and trailers - 2020"

Serial No.	Description	Qty	Bid Security Amount
01	Tractor	02	40,000.00
02	Trailers	02	16.000.00

- A non-refundable sum of rupees 1,000.00 should be paid and a copy of the Business Registration Certificate should be produced to obtain Bid documents.
- The relevant Bids should only be submitted on the form provided by the council.
- When submitting bids a bid security equivalent to the sum mentioned above per each item should be paid in cash or by a bank guarantee obtained from a reputed commercial bank registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka or an Insurance Agency. The bank guarantee should be valid up to 03.02.2021.
- Bid form could be obtained from the Accounts Division of this office from 13.10.2020 to 02.11.2020 on working days of the week from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.
- Bids should be submitted in accordance with the conditions and instructions given in bid
- Further details if required could be obtained from Tp. No. 027-2222275.
- The decision of the Procurement Board over the Bids will be final.

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Polonnaruwa.

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#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

#### Purchase of Dry and Raw Drugs - 2020 Third Quarter **Supplies and Services - 2021**

#### PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF AYURVEDA

MINISTRY OF HEALTH, INDIGENOUS MEDICINE, SOCIAL WELFARE, PROBATION AND CHILDCARE SERVICES

#### CENTRAL PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

Bids are invited by the Chairman, Procurement Board of the Central Provincial Department of Ayurveda from institutions and individuals who have fulfilled the qualifications and are not blacklisted for the supply of dry and raw drugs required for the manufacture of drug products in the third quarter of 2020 and for the provision of following supplies and services to the Hospitals under the Provincial Department of Ayurveda for year 2021.

Ser.	Supply / Service	Institution	Non Refundable	Value of the Bid Security		Value of the Assets
No.	supply / service	Institution	Bid Fee (Rs.)	In cash (Rs.)	Bid Security	Certificate
1	Supply of Dry and Raw Drugs	Provincial Ayurveda Drug     Manufactory , Pallekelle,     Kundasale	1500/-	1% of the Bid Value	2% of the Bid Value	Not Required
		1. Provincial Ayurveda Hospital, Pallekelle, Kundasale				
		2. Ayurvedic Base Hospital, Doluwa				
		3. Ayurveda Base Hospital, Kotmale				
	Supply of Cooked	4. T.B. Tennekoon Memorial Ayurveda Base Hospital and Studies Centre,Matale North, Kavudupelella		10,000/-	20,000/-	
2	Meals for In - House Patients	5. S.B. Werapitiya Memorial Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Panwila	1000/-			100,000/-
		6. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Geli Oya				
		7. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Handaganawa				
		8. Ayurveda Rural Hospital , Thenna				
		9. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Nildandahinna				
		1. Ayurveda Base Hospital, Kotmale				
		2. T.B. Tennekoon Memorial Ayurveda Base Hospital and Studies Centre,Matale North, Kavudupelella				
3	Washing of Soiled	3. S.B. Werapitiya Memorial Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Panwila	500/-	1,000/-	2,000/-	Not
	Linen	4. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Geli Oya	,	_,,,,,	_,=,==,	Required
		5. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Handaganawa				
		6. Ayurveda Rural Hospital , Thenna				
		7. Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Nildandahinna				
04	Leasing of Canteen	Provincial Ayurveda Hospital, Pallekelle	500/-	2,000/-	4,000/-	Not Required
5	Leasing of Nutrition Mandiraya	S.B. Werapitya Memorial Ayurveda Rural Hospital, Panwila	500/-	1,000/-	2,000/-	Not Required

- Receipts obtained upon payment of the non refundable bid documents fee to the Finance Assistant of the Provincial Department of Ayurveda between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on working days from 12.10.2020 until 26.10.2020 to obtain relevant bid applications and when submitting bids only the forms issued by this department should be used. Bids that are not in the forms issued by the department will be rejected. Instructions to bidders will be issued with the bid documents.
- Bids should be accompanied by a bid security as shown above in the table issued by a commercial bank approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka in favour of Central Provincial Commissioner of Ayurveda and valid up to 31.12.2020 and if paid in cash Receipt obtained from the Finance Assistant of the Central Provincial Department of Ayurveda upon payment of the bid security amount shown in the schedule above in valid Sri Lanka currency should be submitted as the bid security.
- In addition to the above bid security a certified copy of the Assets Certificate issued by the relevant Divisional Secretary of the area the bidder is residing should be submitted with the bid.
- Bidders submitting quotations for dry and raw drugs should suitably pack the samples of each drug, seal them hand over the samples to the Accounts Division of the Central Provincial Department of Ayurveda between 8.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. on 27.10.2020 and obtain a certificate that the samples were properly handed over.
- All bids should be submitted in duplicate in separate sealed covers marked as Original and Duplicate and both covers should be reinserted in a single sealed cover and submitted. Name of the supply and the institution should be mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing both covers and the bids may either be sent by registered post to the Chairman, Procurement Committee of the Central Provincial Department of Ayurveda, Pallekelle, Kundasale or deposited in the Tender Box kept at the Official Room of the Central Provincial Commissioner of Ayurveda to receive at or before 10.30 a.m. on 27.10.2020. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened on the same day at 10.30 a.m. and the Bidder or his authorized representative may be present at the time of opening of bids.
- Procurement entity reserves the right to take all decisions regarding the procurement activities.
- Pre-bid meeting regarding this bid will be held at 10.30 a.m. on 21.10.2020 at the Auditorium of the Central Provincial Department of Ayurveda
- Any details or clarifications regarding this bid invitation may be obtained by calling on Tel. 081-2423144 and the bid documents may be inspected free of charge at the Accounts Division of this department between 12.00 hrs and 13.00 hrs on working days from 12.10.2020 until 26.10.2020.

**Departmental Procurement Board** Provincial Department of Ayurveda Pallekelle, Kundasale

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#### **NARAMMALA PRADESHIYA SABHA**

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#### REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS AND CONTRACTORS — 2021

- Applications are invited from qualified suppliers and contractors who wish to register for the supply of following materials and services required for this Pradeshiya Sabha for the year 2021
- 2. Applications should be sent before 15.12.2020 addressed to Secretary, Narammala Pradeshiya Sabha, Negombo Road, Narammala and the caption "Registration of Suppliers / Contractors for year 2021" should be mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing the application.
- A non refundable registration fee of Rs. 500/- will be charged for registration and payments by cheques and Money orders should be drawn in favour of "Secretary, Narammala Pradeshiya Sabha, Narammala".
- 4. Conditions relevant to supplies and contracts may be obtained with the application

#### 5. Supplies - Equipment

- i. Office Equipment / Furniture / Steel Furniture
- ii. Stationery / Printed Forms and Documents / Paper / Exercise Books / School Bags / Water Bottles and other Stationery Items
- iii. Library Books / Magazines / Newspapers
- iv. Sports Goods / Pre School Equipment
- v. Uniforms / Shoes / Curtains / Sportswear / Canopy Huts
- Computer Accessories / Electronic Typewriters / Photocopiers / Fax Machines / Roneo Machines / Duplo Machines / Computers / Toners and supply of other accessories
- vii. Electrical Equipment for Street Lamps and all other Electrical Equipment
   viii. Supply of Building and Road Construction Materials ( Concrete Wire Posts, Hume Pipes / other Concrete goods / Concrete Metal/ Cement Blocks / Engineering Bricks / ABC / Premix (including Sand and Bricks)
- ix. Supply of Vehicle Machinery spares and accessories (Tyres, Tubes and Batteries)
   x. Notice Boards / Cutouts / Banners / Stickers / Tinting of Glasses / Commemorative Plagues
- xi. Health Section Equipment (Ekel Brooms, Brooms, Brushes, Small Rugs, Disinfectants, Gum Boots, Garbage Bins, Gloves, Masks, Cane Baskets and Raincoats, Harpic, Grass Cutting Machines, Tree Cutting Machines, Materials and Fertilizer required for Landscaping)
- xii. Plants
- xiii. Tar and Colas
- xiv. All kinds of Paints
- xv. Dog Collars
- xvi. Purchasing of Old Newspapers xvii. Materials required for road maintenance including River Sand, Gravel
- xviii. Fuel
- xix. Equipment and Accessories required for Plumbing Works
- xxx. Cement, Iron, Hinges, Wire Rods, Roofing Sheets, Nails, Commodes, Carpets and

#### Supply of Services

- Supply of Printing Services, Making Rubber Seals, Printing of Notices and Banners
- ii. Supply of Translation Services
- Repairing and Servicing of Vehicles, Machinery and Equipment (All Heavy Vehicles, Light Vehicles including Motor Graders, JCB Machines – Garage/Service Station should be within the Pradeshiya Sabha authority limits)
- iv. Tyre Retreading
- v. All Welding and Repairs
- vi. Repairing of Photocopiers, Fax Machines, Roneo Machines, Duplo Machines, Computers, Printers
- vii. Repairing of Agricultural and Sanitary Equipment including Thrashers, Katties, Mammoties, Knives, Drain Shovels, Wheelbarrows
- iii. Cutting and Removal of dangerously placed treesc. Gravel Transporters (for the Sabha limit by roads a
- ix. Gravel Transporters (for the Sabha limit by roads and for other requirements) Supply of Road Rollers, Backhoe Machines, Motor Graders and other machinery and Delivery Vans, Tractors with trailers, Hand Tractors, Lorries, Tippers on hire basis
- Supply of festival goods including Platforms, Loudspeakers, Electrical Lighting, Plastic Chairs, Huts
- Supply of Food and Beverages for Events
- xii. Carpentry, Masonry, Welding, Plumbing Works and Repairing of Intercom System xiii. Registration of Grass Cutters
- kiv. Registration of Surveyors for land surveying

#### 7. Contractors

 Applications are invited from Contractors within the North Western Province with ICTAD (CIDA) Registration.

No.	Contractors (As per Work Estimates and Values)	Registration Fee with VAT and NBT
01	Up to Rs. 500,000 – C9 copy of ICTAD Registration Certificate should be submitted	1000/-
02	Up to Rs. 2,000,000 – C9 copy of ICTAD Registration Certificate should be submitted	2000/-
03	Over Rs. 2,000,000 – C8 copy of ICTAD Registration Certificate should be submitted	3000/-

- I. Copy of the valid CIDA Registration Certificate
- Copy of the VAT Registration Certificate and copy of the recently obtained VAT Clearance Certificate (if not registered, declaration regarding non registration)
  - $\ensuremath{\diamondsuit}$  Subject to the tax amendments made by the Government from time to time.

Inquiries: 037-2249275 Fax: 037-2249681 Email: narammalans@6

Email: narammalaps@gmail.com

D.M. Sumanasiri Chairman Narammala Pradeshiya Sabha Narammala.

# Ministry of Provincial Land, Irrigation, Road Development, Housing and Women's Affairs

#### **North Central Province**

#### **Invitation for Bids**

Sealed Bids are invited under National Competitive Bidding procedure by me the Chairman/ Secretary, Procurement Committee of the North Central Provincial Ministry of Provincial Land, Irrigation, Road Development, Housing and Women's Affairs, for the projects mentioned in the following schedule.

				Bid Bond		
Serial No.	Project No.	Project Name	Non- Refundable Bid Document Fees	Amount (Rs.)	Date Bid should be valid up to from the date of opening	ICTAD (CIDA) Registration (Road Work)
1	2020/ PRDA/ Others/10	Construction of Getalawa Road 313 G.S. Division (0+000-1+000)	1,500.00	24,000.00	03.02.2021	C7 & C8
2	2020/ PRDA/ Others/14	Maradankadawala - Modiwatte Village Road - Reconstruction (0+000-0+590)	3,000.00	49,000.00	03.02.2021	C7 & C8
3	2020/ PRDA/ Others/15	Pelbediyawa Katugahakarabewa Agriculture Road - Renovation (0+100-1+500)	3,000.00	67,500.00	17.02.2021	C6 & C7
4	2020/ PRDA/ Others/11	No. 315, Jayanthi Village Road (opposite Children's Home) - Renovation (0+000-0+400)	3,000.00	51,000.00	17.02.2021	C6 & C7

- 02. Interested Bidders should obtain Bid documents from **13.10.2020** to **03.11.2020** on working days of the week from **9.00** a.m. to **3.00** p.m. upon payment of the non-refundable tender fee mentioned in the schedule to the Accountant of the Provincial Road Development Authority at H.B. Semasinghe Mawatha, Anuradhapura.
- 03. An un-conditional Bid Security equivalent to the amount and valid up to the date mentioned in the schedule above, obtained from a government approved commercial bank or Construction Guarantee Fund should be submitted in the prescribed form along with Bids.
- 04. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding procedure. When the estimated total cost of this procurement is less than Rupees 50 million regional preference and CIDA Grading will be conducted as per Finance Ministry Circular No. 04/2016(ii).
- 05. A pre-bid meeting will be held at **2.00 p.m.** on **26.10.2020** at the Ministry of Provincial Lands, Irrigation, Road Development, Housing and Women's Affairs at the address mentioned below.
- O6. Perfected Bids in duplicate inserted in two separate covers as original and duplicate should be enclosed in one sealed envelope should be sent to reach "Chairman/Secretary, Ministry Procurement Committee, Ministry of Provincial Land, Irrigation, Road Development, Housing and Women's Affairs, 1st Floor, Provincial Council Complex, North Central Province" by registered post or inserted in the tender box available at the same address on or before 11.00 a.m. on 04.11.2020. Bids received after the scheduled time will be rejected.
- 07. Bids will be opened immediately after the closing of receiving of Bids and Bidders or their authorized representatives could be present at the time. The decision of the Procurement Committee regarding this procurement will be final. Further details, if required could be obtained from General Manager, Provincial Road Development Authority (Telephone: 025-222505).

#### Chairman/Secretary

Ministry Procurement Committee,

Ministry of Provincial Land, Irrigation, Road Development, Housing and Women's Affairs, 1st Floor, Provincial Council Complex, North Central Province.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH UVA PROVINCIAL COUNCIL (UPC)

#### SALE OF CALVES AT THE BORALANDA GOVERNMENT ANIMAL FARM

Quotations are hereby invited for the sale of Calves at Boralanda Govt Animal Farm of Uva Provincial Department of Animal Production and Health.

Arrangements are scheduled to sell 30 (Thirty) Nos of Female Calves, aged between 10 months to 31 months with the live-weight range of 112kg to 372kg of Female Calves, of Cows, Imported from abroad. Minimum bid price, per 1kg of live-weight is Rs. 500.00, and priority and preference will be given to the highest bidders.

A complete set of relevant bidding documents could be obtained by interested bidders (individuals or firms), from 14.10.2020 to 03.11.2020, from 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on working days during office working hours upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 500.00 and a refundable bid security deposit of Rs. 5000.00, paid to the Department of Animal Production and Health, Uva Province and on submission of a written request to the following address.

Duly completed sealed bids should either be sent by Registered Post, addressed to the **Chairman**, **Procurement Committee**, **Department of Animal Production and Health**, **Daya Gunasekera Mawatha**, **Badulla** or deposited in the Tender Box kept at this office to be received at or before 2.00 p.m. on 04.11.2020, late bids will be rejected.

The caption to the effect **"Purchase of calves of the Boralanda Government Animal Farm"** should be clearly indicated on the top left hand corner of the envelope enclosing bids.

Bidder or his authorized agent / representative is allowed to be present on the occasion of opening of bids. The decision of the Procurement Committee is the final and the Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.

These above mentioned calves could be inspected at the Government Animal Farm, Boralanda, from 9.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. during office hours, from 14.10.2020 to 03.11.2020 (Telephone 057-2280786).

Dr. S.K. Weerasundara, Provincial Director (Uva) Chairman, Procurement Committee, Department of Animal Production and Health (Telephone: 055-2222698)



# Regional Directorate of Health Services, Mannar Invitation for Bids



#### Procurement of Medical Equipment and Civil Works

- 1. The Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee (RPC) on behalf of the Regional Directorate of Health Services now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Goods and construction works described in the table below
  - 1) Medical equipment ii) Building work
  - Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding Procedure.
- 5. To qualify for award of the Contract, bidders shall meet the minimum qualifying criteria if given in Section 2 Bidding Data.

  To be cligible for contract award, the suggestful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and as not the Rublic Finance Circular.
- 4. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and as per the Public Finance Circular No-04/2016(1) dated 30th September 2016. This IFB is limited for the Bidders who have been required valid CIDA registration as mentioned below in the table and possess valid business or company registration within Northern Province for Civil works.
  5. Qualification requirements are indicated in Section 4 of the Bidding document. Additional details are provided in the schedule/Bidding Data & Contract Data (Section 5) for Civil work
- 6. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the **Regional Directorate of Health Services**, **Mannar.** (023 222 3114) and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below during office hours.
- 2. Bid documents will be issued **from 13.10.2020 till 02.11.2020** from 09.00 hours to 15.00 hours on working days, upon payment of non refundable fee of Rs.1500/= for each work and each document submission of approved copy if Business registration request made on their letter head and "Application to get Bid Documents" available in this Department. The mode of payment will be by cash.
- Bid should be handed over to the below address or deposited in the tender box available at Accountant's Room on or before the closing time of bids at 10.00 hours of 03rd November 2020. Bids will be opened immediately after the closing of the bids in the presence of the bidders or their representatives.
- Procurement committee retains right to make final decision in regards to accept or reject bids.

Bid No.	Description of Goods Qty Non-Refundable Fee			Bid Bond	Bid Bond Valid Date		
Medical Equipment Fund - PSSP - 2020							
RDHS/Mn/PSSP/ Build/2020/86	Complete set of Dental Chair with scaler	1	1,500.00	6,000.00	1/2/2021		

		Estimate Cost/	Contract	Paguirad	Non Refundable Fees	Required Bid Security		
Bid Nos	Description of Works	Estimate Cost/ Million	Period	Required Grade		Amount	Validity date	
	Civil Works Fund- PSSP							
RDHS/Mn/PSSP/ Build/2020/82/01	Refurbishment of Dispensary at DH - Chilawathurai	0.190	45 days	C9 and C8 only	1500.00	2,000.00		
RDHS/Mn/PSSP/ Build/2020/82/02	Improvement of Old OPD to Accommodate Nurses & Paramedical Staff Quarters at DH Chilawathurai	1.506	90 days	C9 and C8 only	1500.00	15,000.00	18/01/2021	

Dr.(Mr).D.Venoden

Chairman, Regional Pro

Regional Procurement Committee, Regional Director of Health Services,

Kegionai Mannar.

#### **BULATHSINGHALA PRADESHIYA SABHA**

#### Registration of Suppliers and Contractors - Year 2021

Applications are invited by me up to 02.11.2020 for the registration of Contractors / Volunteer Societies and Organizations / Suppliers / Manufacturers who wish to supply the following goods and services for year 2021.

Self-prepared applications containing details such as name, address, institution should be sent by registered post addressed to "Chairman, Bulathsinghala Pradeshiya Sabha, Bulathsinghala" and the caption "Registration of Suppliers/Contractors - 2021" should be mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing the application.

Relevant payments for all items may be sent by Cheques and Money Orders drawn in favour of "Chairman, Bulathsinghala Pradeshiya Sabha, Bulathsinghala" or else payments may also be made in cash.

All supplies should be delivered either to the Bulathsinghala Pradeshiya Sabha or any nominated location and supply of goods and services should be on a 60 days credit period. Quotations are generally invited from suppliers registered for year 2021 and such quotation should be valid for at least 06 months. Institutions for repairing of vehicles, being a garage approved by the Western Provincial Council will be a special qualification.

All the contractors should pay the registration fee mentioned against relevant contract values and an Assets Certificate attested by the Divisional Secretary to the value for which the registration is sought should be submitted. Documentary proof should be submitted to prove that the applicant is a successful contractor and the contractors registered with the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) only should apply.

Ser. No.	SUPPLIES	Registration Fee (Rs.)
1	All kinds of Stationery and Office Equipment	700.00
2	Sanitary Equipment (Helmets, Masks, Overall, Gum Boots, Gloves, Soap, Washing Liquids etc.) and Disinfectants	650.00
3	Office Furniture and Equipment (Iron, Steel, Wooden, Plastic)	650.00
4	Supply of Typewriters, Roneo Machines, Computers, Fax Machines, Photocopiers and spare parts	750.00
5	Building Materials such as metal, bricks, sand	650.00
6	Cement	600.00
7	Hume Pipes and Cement Products	650.00
8	Tar and Colas	750.00
9	Vehicle Plates, Vehicle Spare Parts, Tyres, Tubes, Seat Cushions, Carpets etc.	750.00
10	Drawing and Making Name Boards, Notice Boards and Banners	600.00
11	Electrical Equipment including Street Lamp Sets and Accessories, Varieties of Bulbs	800.00
12	Uniform Materials, Other Textile, Rain Coats, Footwear and Office Leather Bags	650.00
13	Land Surveying Activities	600.00
14	Printing Works (Stationery, Forms, Books)	600.00
	SERVICES	
15	Servicing of Vehicles	600.00
16	May register for repairing of following equipment Typewriters Photocopiers Computers Fax Machines Duplo Machines	600.00
17	Retreading of Tyres	600.00
18	Supply of Vehicles (Three Wheelers, Vans, Cab Vehicles, Tractors, Lorries, Canter, Tipper, Backhoe Loaders, Bulldozers and other machinery)	600.00
19	Supply of Decoration Materials, Supply of Pandal Construction Materials, Loudspeakers, Electrical Decorations and Stages	600.00
20	Repairing of Vehicles	600.00
21	All Consultancy Services	600.00
22	Planning Services (Constructions and Creations)	600.00
23	Supply of Engineering Services and Technological Services	600.00
24	Supply of Library Books	600.00
25	Supply of Skilled and Unskilled Labour (Carpenters, Masons, Welders, Plumbers)	600.00
26	Labour Tools and Equipment (Mammoties, Rakes, Wheelbarrows and others)	600.00
27	Plumbing and Water Supply Accessories	600.00
28	Building Materials and Accessories (Paints, Steel and Iron Equipment, Electrical Equipment)	600.00
29	Pre-School Equipment (Park Equipment including Sports Equipment)	650.00
30	Supply of Machinery and Equipment on hire basis	600.00
31	Supply, Repairs and Servicing of Building Air conditioners	600.00
32	Supply of Fuel and Lubricants	600.00
33	Supply of Office Electrical Equipment and Containers	600.00

#### **REGISTRATION OF CONTRACTORS**

Ser. No.	Value Limits	Registration Fee (Rs.)			
1	Rs. 100,000.00	750.00			
2	From Rs. 100,000.00 to Rs. 250,000.00	1,000.00			
3	From Rs. 250,000.00 to Rs. 500,000.00	1,200.00			
4	From Rs. 500,000.00 to Rs. 1,000,000.00	1,600.00			
5	From Rs. 1,000,000.00 upwards	2,000.00			

#### **Conditions for Contractors:**

- 1. Should have registered relevant to Roads and Buildings under Grade C 9 with
- Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) 2. Should submit a copy of the valid Registration Certificate of the institution
- 3. Copy of the VAT Registration and Copy of the VAT Clearance Certificate obtained recently (If not registered for VAT a declaration on same) is essential.

#### **Conditions for Registration of Suppliers**

- 1. Generally quotations are called from registered suppliers but the Pradeshiya Sabha reserves the right to obtain goods and services from other sources when necessary.
- Participation at the time of opening of quotations and accepting the terms.
- Should offer at least 60 days credit period to the Pradeshiya Sabha for all supplies. 4. Pradeshiya Sabha reserves the right to impose conditions other than those

mentioned here and the decision of the Bulathsinghala Pradeshiya Sabha is final.

**Bulathsinghala Pradshiya Sabha Office Telephone No. 034-2283175** 08.10.2020

Chairman Pradeshiya Sabha Bulathsinghala.

#### TISSAMAHARAMA PRADESHIYA SABHA

#### **REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR THE YEAR 2021**

Applications are invited from registered institutions, individuals and manufacturers for registration as suppliers for the supply of under-mentioned supplies and services for year 2021.

A non refundable registration fee of Rs. 1,000.00 will be charged for each item separately for each supply,

Applicants may apply on self prepared applications of A4 size paper to include all information related to the business and self and the closing date for applications is 30.11.2020. It is mandatory that the manufacturers and business establishments applying for registration attach a copy of the Business Registration Certificate to the application.

If the registration fee is paid by a cheque, it should be drawn in favour of "Chairman, Tissamaharama Pradeshiya Sabha" and the applications may either be sent by registered post or hand delivered to be received before 30.11.2020.All applications should be addressed to "Chairman, Pradeshiya Sabha, Tissamaharama". (Money Orders will not be accepted)

(01) Following conditions are applicable for the registration of suppliers

- Chairman / Secretary of this Sabha reserves the right to call for quotations and effect purchases from outside sources in addition to the registered suppliers at times of necessity.
- II. Registration of suppliers who fail to submit samples and specimens when requested. and who fail to supply goods and services to the required standards and within the specified time frame will be cancelled without any prior intimation.
- Suppliers should provide a credit period of at least 45 days from the date of supply of the
- IV. No advance payments will be made to the suppliers.
- The caption "Registration of Suppliers 2021" should be mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing the application.
- VI. As per the order, goods should be transported and supplied to the Pradeshiya Sabha within 10 days of placing the order. When goods cannot be transported and supplied within the specified period, the Pradeshiya Sabha reserves the right to cancel that order and obtain goods from some other place.

Ser. No.	SUPPLIES	Non Refundable Registration Fee (Rs.)
01	Office Stationery ( All documents and materials)	1,000.00
02	Office Equipment, Furniture, Steel, Wooden Furniture (Almirahs, Tables, Chairs, Filing Cabinets and Book Racks, Plastic Chairs)	1,000.00
03	Health Equipment (Ekel Brooms, Brooms, Soaps, Tile Cleaners, Harpic, Pynol, Lysol, Gloves, Masks and Disinfectants )	1,000.00
04	Tyres, Tubes and Batteries (For Vehicles)	1,000.00
05	Motor Spare Parts (For all vehicles including Hand Tractors, Four Wheel Tractors, Water Bowsers, Tippers, Backhoes, Motor Graders, Cabs)	1,000.00
06	Materials required for Works, General Building Materials (Iron, G.I. Pipes and Fittings, Plumbing Accessories, Cement, Plastic Water Tanks etc.)	1,000.00
07	Paints and related equipment	1,000.00
08	Uniform Materials/Rain Coats/Safety Shoes	1,000.00
09	Computers and related Accessories (Monitors, Anti Virus Software, Key Boards, UPS, Mouse)	1,000.00
10	Inks, Toner Cartridges, Ribbons required for Computer Duplicating Machines and Printers	1,000.00
11	Photocopiers / Fax / Duplo / Multimedia Projectors / Cash Counting Machines / Printers / GPS etc	1,000.00
12	Street Lamps and Electrical Equipment (Wire, Switches, Bulbs, Plugs etc.)	1,000.00
13	Building Construction Materials (Sand, Metal, Interlocks, Earth, Gravel, Tar, Bricks)	1,000.00
14	Concrete Products (Hume Pipes, Wire Posts, Well Rings, Cement Blocks, Flower Pots etc.)	1,000.00
15	Lubricants	1,000.00
16	Library Books and Publications	1,000.00
17	Sawn Timber (Planks, Rafters, Reefers)	1,000.00
18	Printed Forms and Documents and Rubber/Polymer Seals/Name Boards and Notice Boards	1,000.00
19	Sports Goods and Equipment/Musical Goods/Loudspeakers	1,000.00
20	Supply of Fire Extinguishing Equipment	1,000.00
21	Drinking Water and Water Supply, Filters	1,000.00
22	Road Maintenance Equipment (Masonry Pans, Rakes, Mammoties, , Wheel Barrows, Crow Bars, Grass Cutting Machines)	1,000.00

#### CEDVICES

Ser. No.	SERVICES	Non Refundable Registration Fee (Rs.)
1	Repairing of Air Conditioners / Fax Machines / Photocopiers	1,000.00
2	Repairing of Computers / Printers/Computer Networking	1,000.00
3	Supply of Vehicles on Hire Basis (Excavators, Dozers, Passenger Vans and Buses, Tractors with Trailers, Tippers)	1,000.00
4	Retreading of Tyres, Dagging and Purchase of Old Tyres/Cushioning of Vehicles	1,000.00
5	Purchasing of Glass, Plastic, Cardboard, Old Newspapers	1,000.00
6	Repairing of Vehicle Circuits and Motors	1,000.00
7	Repairing and Servicing of All vehicles (Garage services)	1,000.00
8	Lathe Works and related services	1,000.00
9	Photographing and Videoing of Pradeshiya Sabha events	1,000.00
10	Landscaping in Parks, Roundabouts, Roads etc	1,000.00
11	Obtaining Passenger and Coods Transport service on him basis	1 000 00

11 Obtaining Passenger and Goods Transport service on hire basis Conditions relevant to the registration of Buyers

Registration with the Central Environmental Authority will be a definite qualification for the disposal of following materials for the buyers

Ser. No.	BUYERS	Non Refundable Registration Fee (Rs.)
1	Discarded Cardboard	1,000.00
2	Discarded Plastic Water Bottles	1,000.00
3	Discarded glass bottle pieces	1,000.00
4	Discarded Solid Plastic	1,000.00
5	Discarded Tins	1,000.00
6	Discarded e-waste	1,000.00
7	Discarded Polythene	1,000.00
8	Discarded Polythene, Lunch Sheet, Shopping Bags below 100 g	1,000.00
9	Discarded Rigifoam	1,000.00

Further details may be obtained by calling on Telephone No. 047-2237275 of the Tissamaharama Pradeshiya Sabha.

> W. G. Upul Chairman Tissamaharama Pradeshiya Sabha

Office of the Tissamaharama Pradeshiya Sabha

**NOTICE OF INCORPORATION** Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 9(1) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007.

Name of the Company: **LOTUS BLOOM BEACH** RESORT (PVT) LTD

Company Reg. No.: **PV 00209130** Registered Address: 718/1, Galle Road, Thiranagama, Hikkaduwa 60240.



#### **Procurement for Purchase of** Inorganic Fertilizer - Year 2020

Chilaw Plantaitons Limited calls Bids from reputed fertilizer companies to supply the following types of fertilizers, per metric ton basis.

Approximated Quantity will be - Urea 70.15mt, ERP 93.10mt, MOP 65.50mt, TSP 21.55mt, Kieserite 0.65mt

Urea 46 % N Eppawela Rock Phosphate 27.5 % P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>E</sub> Potassium Chloride 60 % K,O Triple Super Phosphate 46 % P,O, Kieserite 24 % Mgo

- a. All fertilizer should adhere to the relevant quality standards / Specifications / Regulations
- of National Fertilizer Secretariat (NFS) b. All fertilizer to be delivered on the estates. Please quote rate per ton / KM
- c. Price should be inclusive of all Government Taxes with relevant credit facilities

Bid Documents could be obtained from the following office by making a non-refundable fee of Rs. 2,500/per set until 23rd October, 2020 (from 08.30 a.m. to 04.00 p.m. on working days).

Chilaw Plantations Limited, No. 165, Puttalam Rd, Chilaw. TP: 032-5744265

The Procurement Committee of the Chilaw Plantations Limited reserves the right to either accept or reject the Tenders received without assigning reasons and their decision will be the final. Procurement will be closed & opened on 26th October, 2020, at 02.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN, PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE CHILAW PLANTATIONS LIMITED

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#### PEOPLE'S BANK

#### TENDER NOTICE

Sealed Tenders are hereby invited from reputed Principals / Manufacturers / Suppliers or their accredited Local Agents in Sri Lanka for Supply of the item given below.

Tender No.	Description	Value of Bid Bond	Last Date & Time of Issuing Documents	Date & Time of Closing Tender
P-083/2020	500 Nos. of Toners for Canon LBP 253 X Printer	Rs. 85,000/-	26.10.2020 2.00 p.m.	27.10.2020 2.00 p.m.

- 1. Tender documents could be obtained from People's Bank, Supplies Department, 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02 by depositing **Rs. 1,500**/- for tender document to the Account No. 204100120011913 maintained at Headquarters Branch. Deposits could be made from any People's Bank branch to the named account. Issuance of tender documents will be made on producing the duplicate of the cash paying in slip between 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. from **12.10.2020** to **26.10.2020** as indicated above on working days of the bank.
- 2. Each perfected tender document should be accompanied by a Bank Guarantee/Bid Bond for the value mentioned above from a commercial bank (other than People's Bank) acceptable to the People's Bank for the above values, valid for a minimum period of 180 calendar days from the date of opening the tender. Bank pay orders/Bank Drafts are also acceptable in lieu of Bid Bonds (valid for a minimum period of 180 calendar days). Cheques drawn by the tenderer will not be accepted.
- 3. Sealed tenders may be sent by registered post or deposited in the tender box kept at this Department at No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02, Tenders will be opened at 2.00 p.m. on the above mentioned date. Tenders received after 2.00 p.m. on due date will be rejected and returned unopened.
- 1. The Bank reserves to itself the right of rejecting any or all bids or cancelling the whole tender and the right of accepting any portion of a tender without assigning any reasons.
- 5. Further details could be obtained from Chief Manager (Supplies), People's Bank, Supplies Department on the Telephone Nos. given below.

Chief Manager (Supplies) People's Bank, Supplies Dept., No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02.

Tele. No: 2439577/8 Fax No: 2439576 Web: www.peoplesbank.lk





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#### PEOPLE'S BANK

#### **TENDER NOTICE**

Sealed Tenders are called for purchasing of **100,000 Nos. of Clay Tills** from reputed Manufacturers / Suppliers.

Tender No.	No. of Item	Delivery	Last Date & Time of Issuing Documents	Date & Time of Closing Tender
P/088/2020	100,000 Nos. of Clay Tills Size - Height 16 cm - 20 cm Width 13cm - 17cm Diameter and Circumference within 30cm (Approx.)	Within 60 days from award of Tender	27.10.2020 at 02.00 p.m.	28.10.2020 at 02.00 p.m.

- 1. Tender Documents could be obtained from People's Bank, Supplies Department, No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02, by depositing **Rs. 1,500**/= for tender document to the Account No. 204100120011913 maintained at Headquarters Branch. Deposits could be made from any People's Bank Branch to the named account. Issuance of Tender documents will be made on producing the duplicate of the cash paying-in slip between 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. from **12.10.2020 to 27.10.2020** as indicated above on working days of the Bank.
- Sealed Tenders may be sent by Registered Post or deposited in the Tender Box kept at this Department at No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02. Tenders will be opened at 2.00 p.m. on 28.10.2020 & Tenders received after the closing time & date will be rejected and returned unopened.
- 3. A Sample Clay Till made according to the specified size and specified shape (The image can be obtained with the Tender document) should be packed securely and delivered to People's Bank Supplies Department on the tender opening date. This Sample will be taken for tender evaluation. The Sample till should be submitted on or before 28.10.2020 to People's Bank, Supplies Department.
- 4. The Bank reserves to itself the right of rejecting any or all Bids or cancels the whole tender and the right of accepting any portion of a Tender without assigning any reason and bank is not bound to accept the lowest bid.

Further details could be obtained from Chief Manager (Supplies), People's Bank, Supplies Department, on the Telephone Nos. given below.

Chief Manager (Supplies) People's Bank, Supplies Dept., No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02.

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#### **BIYAGAMA PRADESHIYA SABHA**

#### PROCUREMENT NOTICE

1. Sealed bids will be received, under the National Competitive Bidding Procedure from contracting firms qualified as stated below for completion of the balance work of the Makola Multi-purpose Building Stage III of the Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha.

Bid No.	Project Name	Estimated Cost (without VAT) (Rs. Lks.)	Minimum qualifiying Grade (CIDA)	Non- refundable Fee (Rs.)	Refundable Bid Security (Rs.)
BPS/C/4	Completion of balance work of the Makola Multi- purpose Building, Stage III	6,668,651.00	C7 (Buildings)	1,500.00	70,000.00

- 2. Relevant bid documents can be obtained (after inspection of same) from **10.10.2020** up to **28.10.2020** on normal working days between **9.00 a.m.** and **3.00 p.m.** from the Head Office of the Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha on payment of the above fee.
- 3. Competed bids in two copies, as the 'Original' and the 'Duplicate' in separate sealed covers could either be sent by registered post addressed to, "Chairman, Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha, Delgoda" or placed in the Bid Box kept at the office to be received at or before **10.00 a.m.** on **29.10.2020**. Bids received late will be rejected.
- 4. The cover containing the bid should be marked the name of the project at the left-side top corner. Bids should be accompanied with documents certifying the CIDA registration, if the Security Amount paid by cash, the relevant receipt received or bid bond obtained from a reputed Financial Institution.
- 5. Bids received will be opened at **10.30 a.m.** on **29.10.2020** and bidder or one of his representatives can be present at the opening. The Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha retains the right to the final decision with regard to this bid.

Enquiries: Tel: 011-2403311 011-3112111 G.A.A.C. Ganepola Chairman,

Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha

# QUOTATIONS FOR SUPPLY OF 3 Ply BLANKETS

#### IMP/ADV/2020/15

Sealed quotations are hereby invited from foreign principals and local suppliers for the supply of "3 Ply Compressible Blankets" as specified below.

**Quantity** 75 Nos.

Description
Compressible Blanks

3 Ply Compressible Blankets with Alu Bars in Both Sides 889 mm (AC) x 636 mm (AR) Thickness 1.7 mm

#### Foreign Offers

Offers indicating Cost, Insurance & Freight Charges (All Inclusive) separately with specifications should be submitted in a sealed envelope marked as "Quotations for Compressible 3 Ply Blankets" on the top left hand corner.

#### **Local Offers**

Ex - stock price indicating transport charges, VAT and other levies separately with specifications should be submitted in a separate cover in the same manner.

Offers should be sent to the **Head of Procurement to reach on or before 15 October 2020 at 2.30 p.m.** which will be opened immediately. No separate documents will be issued. Suppliers may use their own formalities.

Probable date of delivery, validity of price, terms of payment etc. should be clearly indicated on the offers. Acceptance of new sources/ product is subjected to a quality test.

The successful bidder should provide a Performance Bond to the value of 05% with a validity period of 90 days.

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#### INVITATION FOR BIDS

#### PURCHASE OF PLASTIC CHAIRS AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT **REQUIRED FOR REGISTERED SOCIETIES - 2020**

The Chairman, Procurement Committee of the Ministry of Sports Youth Affairs, Rural Development, Social Welfare, Probation & Childcare Services located at Dakshinapaya, Labuduwa, Galle invites bids for purchase of plastic chairs and sports equipment required for Registered Societies for the year 2020.

CATEGORY	QUANTITY
01. Plastic Chairs with Arm-rest (Should be delivered to 06 locations in the province).	10,000 - 15,000
02. Volleyball	450
03. Volleyball Net	450
04. Softball Cricket Bats	900
05. Wicket Set	450
06. Tennis Ball Tin	900
07. Football	192

- 1. Bid documents could be obtained from 13th October 2020 up to 27th October 2020 during working days of the week between 9.00 a.m. and 3.0 p.m. by submitting a letter of request addressed to the Accountant Provincial Ministry of Sports... etc. Labuduwa and paying a non-refundable fee of Rs. 1,000/-.
- 2. Applications should be submitted separately for supply of plastic chairs and sports equipment. Conditions and specifications of the goods will be issued along with the bid documents.
- Sealed bids should be sent by registered post or hand-delivered to the Tender Box kept in the Office Room of the Chief Accountant of the Sports Ministry to be received before 3.00 p.m. on 28 October 2020.
- A copy of the receipt obtained after paying a refundable bid deposit of Rs. 10,000.00 to the Finance Assistant of the Ministry should be attached to the bid
- 5. Bids will be opened at 3.00 p.m. on 28 October 2020 and the bidder or his representative could be present on this occasion. Bids submitted late will be rejected.
- 6. Further details could be obtained by calling on Tel. No. 091-4936710.
- 7. The decision of the Procurement Committee is deemed final.

Ranjith Yapa Secretary

Address: Southern Provincial Ministry of Sports, Rural Development, etc. 3rd Floor, Dakshinapaya, Labuduwa, Galle.

12.10.2020

#### PROVINCIAL GENERAL HOSPITAL **BADULLA**

#### QUOTATIONS INVITED FOR THE PROVISION OF THE **CANTEEN SERVICES - 2020/2021**

Quotations are hereby invited from contractors for the provision of the canteen services to the internal canteen of the Hospital, Badulla for the period from 01st December, 2020 to 30th November, 2021 for a period of One (01) year by the Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, Provincial General Hospital, Badulla.

- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding Procedure (NCB).
- 03. Further details in this regard could be obtained by contacting the Accountant of the Hospital during office hours, on working days of the week (Ext. 103), or visiting the under noted website of the
- Required bidding documents including terms and conditions of bidding could be obtained by interested qualified bidders from 13.10.2020 to 04.11.2020 up to 12.00 noon, on 05.11.2020 upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 2,500.00, made to the Shroff's Division of the Hospital per bid on submission of a written request from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m., on working days of
- 05. Duly completed sealed bids should either be sent by Registered Post addressed to the Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, Provincial General Hospital, Badulla or hand delivered to the same address to be received at or before 2.30 p.m. on 05.11.2020. Late bids will be rejected and bids will be opened immediately after the closing of bids at 2.30 p.m. on the same day at the office of the Director of the Hospital, in the presence of the Bidders or their accredited agents who choose to attend.
- 06. All the bids should be accompanied by a bid security bond of Rs. 25,000.00 from registered commercial bank approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, as a Bank Guarantee or as a refundable cash deposit of Bid Security paid to the Shroff's Division of the Hospital and annexing the receipt along with the bids submitted.
- 07. Bidders may visit the site of the hospital as a site-visit prior to the submission of bids.
- The decision of the Regional Procurement Committee of the Provincial General Hospital, Badulla is the final with regard to matters pertaining to bids.

Chairman,

Regional Procurement Committee, **Provincial General Hospital** Badulla.

Telephone No. 055-2222261 Email: info@badullapgh.org 12.10.2020

Fax No. 055-2231205 Website: www.badullapgh.org

#### SALE OF TODDY TOLL IN IMBULPE DIVISIONAL SECRETARY'S DIVISION **RATNAPURA DISTRICT - 2021** PINNAWALA NO. 2 TODDY TAVERN

- 01. Since the tender for the above named Toddy Toll held on 11.09.2020 was unsuccessful the said tender will be held again on 02nd November 2020 at the Imbulpe Divisional Secretary's Office for the sale of same.
- 02. Further details have been published in the Government Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on 31st July 2020.

B.M.B.M.A. Batugedara Divisional Secretary, Imbulpe.

Divisional Secretary's Office, Imbulpe. 8th October 2020

Sale of Auction of right reaping harvest of state cinnamon plantation called Welipothahena, Welipothahenadeniya situated in Owitigamuwa South Grama Niladhari Division in Divisional Secretary's Division of Kirinda Puhulwella, Matara District

#### Ref. No. KPR/LND/ACQVI/01/10-11

: Welipothahena, Welipothahena

It is expected to sell in auction the cinnamon harvest of the land which is described in the following schedule. For more details see Gazette No. 2196 dated 02.10.2020 of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

#### **SCHEDULE**

: Matara District

Divisional Secretary's

Land Name

Extent

: Kirinda Puhulwella Division Grama Niladhari Division: 328, Owitigamuwa South

Name of the Village : Owitigamuwa

Deniya

: F.V.P. 572 Plan No. Lot No.

> : 14 acre 02 roods 09 perches Kusalaka Nanayakkara **Divisional Secretary**

Kirinda Puhulwella 06th day of October 2020 **Divisional Secretariat** Kirinda Puhulwella.



#### **GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA**

MINISTRY OF HIGHWAY AND ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### **INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

1. The Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee Executive Engineer's office, Ampara on behalf of Road Development Authority invites sealed bids from the Contractors who are eligible and qualified for bidding for the work described in the following Table

Contract No.	Description of Works	Direct	Contract	CIDA Grade for	Required	
		Construction Cost Rs.(mn)	Period (Days)	Bridges/ Highways	Bid Security Amount (Rs)	Tender Fees (Rs.)
RDA/EE/AM/ RMTF/2020/19	Construction of Concrete Side Drain with cover slabs on Ampara — Uhana - Mahaoya Road (AA027) RHS CH (0+830-0+925) km	1.368	91	C8	10,000.00	1,500.00

- 2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding Procedure. However, limited to the bidders who are registered within the Administrative boundary of the Eastern Province.
- 3. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall be currently registered with the Institute for Construction Training and Development (CIDA) in grade mentioned above in Bridges/Highways.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from Office of Executive Engineer, RDA, Sri Dharmarathana Road, Ampara. (Telephone Nos. 063-2222191) and inspect the bidding documents during office hours.
- 5. A complete set of bidding documents in English Language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the Executive Engineer, Road Development Authority, Sri Dharmaratna Road, Ampara from 12.10.2020 until 26.10.2020 between 9.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. upon payment of non-refundable fee of Rs.1,500.00 for each document (inclusive VAT). The method of payment will be by cash.
- Pre-bid meeting is scheduled to be held at the Office of the Executive Engineer, Road Development Authority, Sri Dharmaratna Road, Ampara at 10.30 a.m. on 20.10.2020 and subsequently site visit will be arranged.
- Bids shall be delivered in duplicate and addressed to: "Chairman, Procurement Committee, Executive Engineer's Office, Road Development Authority, Sri Dharmaratna Road, Ampara" at or before 2.00 p.m. on 27.10.2020. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of the Bidder or representative who chooses to attend.
- Bids shall be valid up to 91 days from the time of closing of the Bid.
- 9. All Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security. Bid Security shall be valid up to 26.01.2021.

**Chairman (Procurement Committee) Executive Engineer's Office,** Road Development Authority, Ampara.



#### **DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA**

#### **ISSUE OF TREASURY BILLS**

Rs. 40,000 million Treasury bills are to be issued through an auction on 14th October 2020

The details of Treasury bill issues are as follows:

	Maturity Period	91 Days	182 Days	364 Days	Total
	ISIN*	LKA09121A151	LKA18221D160	LKA36421J153	-
	Amount Offered (Rs. Mn)	9,000	15,000	16,000	40,000
	Maximum yield rate for acceptance (%)**	4.60	4.71	4.99	-
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Date of Auction : 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Date of Settlement : 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Date of Issue : 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Closing date and time of bid submission : **Wednesday** 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020, at 11.00 a.m.

Minimum amount of a bid : Rupees five million (Rs. 5,000,000/-) and multiples of Rupees one million (Rs. 1,000,000/-)

through the electronic bidding facility provided by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL). The CBSL may accept higher or lower amount than the offered amount for each maturity by reallocating amounts between the maturities, depending on the market conditions, but without exceeding the total amount on offer at this auction.

Bids are invited from the Primary Dealers in Government Securities. Bids should be made only

#### The general public is invited to <u>purchase</u> Treasury bills from the following Primary Dealers or any other Licensed commercial banks.

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Capital Alliance Ltd.	2317777	Sampath Bank PLC	2305842
Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC	2332319	Seylan Bank PLC	2456340
First Capital Treasuries PLC	2639883	Wealth Trust Securities Ltd	2675096

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> M.Z.M. Aazim **Superintendent / Registrar of Public Debt.**

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#### **URBAN COUNCIL - KESBEWA**

#### TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited for leasing of Vehicle Park, Public Toilet and the canteen as mentioned in the schedule below belonging to the Urban Council, Kesbewa for the period 01.01.2021 up to 31.12.2021.

#### **SCHEDULE**

Details of Leasing	Minimum Bid for a year	Refundable Tender Deposit	Non-refundable Tender Form Fee
Vehicle Park     First Cross Street     Second Cross Street     Vehicle Park opposite the Clock Tower	Rs. 2,500,000/-	Rs. 25,000/- in cash or by a Bank Guarantee for Rs. 50,000/-	Rs. 1,000/-
2. Maintaining the Public Toilet located in Piliyandala Town Center	Rs. 250,000/-	Rs. 2,500/-	Rs. 1,000/-
3. Urban Council Canteen	Rs. 1,300,000/-	Rs. 1,300/-	Rs. 1,000/-

 Issuing of Tender Forms
 : From 9.00 a.m. on 14.10.2020 up to 3.00 p.m. on 27.10.2020

 Accepting of Tenders
 : From 9.00 a.m. on 14.10.2020 up to 3.00 p.m. on 28.10.2020

**Opening of Tenders** : At 3.00 p.m. on 28.10.2020

#### **Tender Conditions:**

- Applications received after the scheduled time will be rejected.
- Details of the leasing as mentioned in the schedule should be clearly marked on the top left-hand corner of the envelope containing the tenders.
- Tenders should be prepared as original and duplicate and enclosed in separate covers accordingly and
  these two covers should be enclosed in a single envelope and sealed and should be sent by registered
  post to the Chairman, Urban Council, Kesbewa or should be hand-delivered to the Tender Box kept at
  the Head Office.
- 25% of the Tender Value should be deposited at the Urban Council, Kesbewa as a tender guarantee.
- The tenderer or his representative could be present at the tender opening.
- The entire right of accepting or rejecting tenders submitted lies with the Urban Council, Kesbewa.
- Further details could be obtained by calling over at this office or by contacting the Accountant on Tel. No. 0112618197.

Lakshman Perera Chairman Urban Council - Kesbewa

At the Office of Urban Council, Kesbewa 10.10.2020

#### **CEYLON FERTILIZER CO.LTD**

#### **Invitation To Bid**

#### Ministry of Agriculture

(Regulation of Fertilizer Production and Supply, Use of Chemical Fertilizers and Pesticides)

BIDDING FOR THE SUPPLY OF TRANSPORT SERVICES IN RESPECT OF FERTILIZER (BAGGED/ FCL CONTAIENRS 20') TOGETHER WITH RELATED CLEARING AGENCY SERVICES AND LABOUR SERVICES – YEAR 2020/21 BID NO: 2020/21/CFC/CT/01.

The Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee (DPC), on behalf of the Ceylon Fertilizer Co.Ltd., (CFCL) invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the supply of transport services in respect of fertilizer (bagged/ FCL containers 20') from Port of Colombo to CFCL Warehouse(s), at Lakpohora Swarna Jayanthi Mawatha, Hunupitiya, Wattala and within 10 Km radius distance from Hunupitiya, Wattala together with related clearing agency services and optional transport from port of Hambanthota to Hambanthota warehouse complex located within 5km radius distance from port of Hambanthota together with related cleaning agency services required by the Ceylon Fertilizer Co.Ltd., for a period of one year.

- 02. Bidding documents consisting of the Invitation To Bid (ITB), Instruction to Bidders (ITB), Form of Bid (FOB) and all annexure could be obtained from the Acting Manager (Procurement & Imports) of the Ceylon Fertilizer Co.Ltd., on payment in cash of a non-refundable Bidding fee of Rupees 30,000.00(Rupees Thirty Thousand Only). Bidding documents will be issued on any working day, between 9.30 a.m. and 3.30p.m. from, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020 up to 02<sup>nd</sup> November 2020.
- O3. The envelope containing the sealed Bid should be addressed to the Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee (DPC), Procurement Division, Ceylon Fertilizer Company Limited, Lakpohora Swarna Jayanthi Mawatha, Hunupitiya, Wattala and deposited in the Bid Box kept for this purpose, in the Procurement Division, at the above address or sent by Registered Post to reach the address before the closing date and time specified below.
- 04. Bids will be closed at 2.30 p.m. on 03<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 and will be opened immediately thereafter. Bidders or their authorized representatives are requested to be present at the opening. Bid Security Guarantee for Rs.2,000,000 (Rupees Two Million only) should be submitted along with the Bid.
- For further information/details please contact the Acting Manager (Procurement & Imports), Ceylon Fertilizer Co.Ltd., Lakpohora Swarna Jayanthi Mawatha, Hunupitiya, Wattala. (Telephone No: 2947765/ Mobile: 077-2069981, Fax: 2930423).
- 06. The pre -bid meeting will be held at 2.30 p.m on 27th October at the Procurement Division of Ceylon Fertilizer Company Limited, Lakpohora Swama Jayanthi Mawatha, Hunupitiya, Wattala. All the bidders are requested to participate at the pre-bid meetings.

#### Chairman,



Departmental Procurement Committee,
Ceylon Fertilizer Company Limited,
Procurement Division,
Lakpohora Swarna Jayanthi Mawatha,
Hunupitiya,
Wattala
Date: 12th October 2020



**Kandy Branch** 

#### KOTIKAWATTA MULLERIYAWA PRADESHIYA SABHA

# REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS, CONTRACTORS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR THE YEAR 2021

Applications are hereby accepted by me up to **11.11.2020** subject to following terms and conditions from reputed Manufacturers, Suppliers and Contractors who wish to register themselves at this Sabha for the supply of following goods, provision of services and execution of construction contracts mentioned in the schedule below for the Year 2021.

- 01. Those who intend to be registered as Suppliers, Service Providers and Contractors, should send in self-prepared applications inclusive of the following details either by registered post to be received on or before 11.11.2020, addressed to Chairman, Kotikawatta Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha, Gothatuwa New Town or may be hand delivered. Top left-hand corner of the cover containing the perfected applications should be marked with the caption "Registration of Suppliers and Contractors for the Year 2021".
  - 1. Name and address of the Supplier of Goods, Provider of Services, Contractor.
  - 2. Telephone Numbers (Land Line and Mobile) Fax No. and E-Mail address.
  - 3. Number and Name of the Service / Supply (according to schedule) expected to be registered.
  - 4. Name and address of the Business Trade Name (Copy of the Business Registration Certificate should be submitted).
  - 5. Details pertaining to experience.
  - 6. Details of the Registration in the field of Constructions and Repairing (Copy of the Registration Certificate should be attached).
  - 7. If an institution registered for paying VAT, a copy of the VAT Registration Certificate should be attached to the application of registration.
- 02. Separate application should be forwarded for each Supply and Service.
- 03. Registration fee mentioned in the Schedule may either be paid in cash or by a cheque drawn in favour of Chairman, Kotikawatta Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha (Money Orders will not be accepted).
- 04. Those who wish to be registered as Contractors, should prove their eligibility through documentary evidence.

Rangajeewa Jayasinghe Chairman Kotikawatta Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha

At Kotikawatta Mulleriyawa Pradeshiya Sabha

T.P. 0112410288 12.10.2020

12.	10,2020	
	SCHEDULE	Rs.
1.	Supply of Office Stationery	1000.00
2.	Supply of Office Equipment / Wooden Furniture / Steel / Plastic Goods	1000.00
3.	Office Rubber Stamps	1000.00
4.	Supply of Street Lamp, Lighting equipment and Electrical Goods / Equipment	1000.00
5.	Supply of Computers and Accessories, Fax Machines, Printers, Photocopiers, Duplo Machines	1000.00
6.	Supply of Computer Accessories / Toner / Cartridges / Master Rolls / Ink	1000.00
7.	Supply of Health and Sanitary Equipment (Brooms, Ekel Brooms, Toilet,	1000.00
	Brushes, Shovels, Mammoties, Rakes, Mops, Detergents)	
8.	Supply of Building Construction Materials - ABC / Metal Chips / Quarry Dust / Cement /	
	Sand	1000.00
9.	Supply of Road Construction Materials / Colas / Tar / Bitumen	1000.00
10.	Supply of Hardware Items (Iron, Aluminium, PVC Materials, varieties of Paints)	1000.00
11.	Supply of Ayurvedic Drugs, Pharmacy materials and other equipment	1000.00
12.	Supply of Chemicals including insecticides, weedicides	1000.00
13.	Supply of Vehicle spare parts / Tyres / Tubes / Tape / Batteries and Spares for Tractors	1000.00
14.	Supply of Uniform materials / other Textile / curtain materials / Shoes	1000.00
15.	Supply of Sports Goods	1000.00
16.	Supply of Landscaping Materials (Flower Pots / Varieties of Plants / Seeds / Fertilizer)	1000.00
17.	Supply of Notice Boards, Name Boards, Banners, Posters, Cutouts	1000.00
18.	Printing work (Supply of Printed Forms and Documents)	1000.00
19.	Supply of Machinery on hire basis (Chain Dozers / Excavators /	1000.00
	Backhoe Loaders/ Road Rollers etc.)	
20.	Supply of Vehicles (Lorry / Tipper / Tractors) on hire	1000.00
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21.	Supply of Food and Beverages	1000.00
22.	Repairing of Vehicles and Garages	1000.00
23.	Retreading of Tyres	1000.00
24.	Repairing of Office equipment	1000.00
25.	Repairing of Computers / Photocopiers / Duplo Machines / Printers	1000.00
26.	Servicing of Vehicles	1000.00
27.	Purchase of Old Newspapers and discarded items	1000.00
28	Surveying Services	1000.00
29.	Repairing of Air-Conditioners, Camera Systems / Computer Network Systems	1000.00
30.	Air-Conditioning of Vehicles	1000.00
31.	Transportation of Soil & discarded Soil	1000.00
32.	Stitching of Curtains	1000.00
33.	Repairing of Three-Wheelers, Servicing and sale of Spare Parts	1000.00
34.	Repairing of Wooden Furniture and other Goods	1000.00
35.	Cutting down and removing of hazardous trees and branches	1000.00
36.	Supply of Loudspeakers	1000.00
co	NSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	
	Construction Contracts up to 500,000.00	1000.00
	Construction Contracts from 500,000.00 to 1,000,000.00	1500.00
39.	Construction Contracts above 1,000,000.00	2000.00

For the abovementioned 38, 39 Contractors should have ICTAD Registration

Jaffna Branch

Maradana k/v Branch



**Anuradhapura Branch** 

#### **NOTICE TO UNITHOLDERS**

The Unit holders of the following Unit Trust Funds managed by NDB Wealth Management Ltd are hereby notified that Financial Statements for the period ended 30th June 2020 are available at www.ndbwealth.com

- 1. NDB Wealth Growth Fund
- 2. NDB Wealth Growth & Income Fund
- 3. NDB Wealth Gilt-Edged Fund
- 4. NDB Wealth Income Fund
- 5. NDB Wealth Money Fund
- 6. NDB Wealth Money Plus Fund
- 7. NDB Wealth Islamic Money Plus Fund
- 8. NDB Wealth Income Plus Fund



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**BANK OF CEYLON** 

**INVITATION FOR BIDS** 

Sealed Bids are hereby invited from reputed Manufactures / Suppliers or their

1. Bid Documents could be obtained from Properties & Procurement Department, 14th Floor,

Bank of Ceylon Head Office, "BOC Square", No. 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01,

submitting a written request and paying non refundable fee of Rs. 5,400/- including VAT.

(Rs.5,000/- + Rs.400/- VAT) between 0900 hrs and 1500hrs on working days of the Bank.

the value relevant to the bid as indicated above issued by a commercial bank (other

than Bank of Ceylon) acceptable to the Bank of Ceylon and valid upto 22.02.2021.

Cash deposits / Bank Pay Orders / Bank Drafts (not personal cheques) are also

2. Perfected bid documents should be accompanied by a Bank Guarantee / Bid Bond for

3. Bids will be opened immediately after closing at 1000 hrs on the due date and the bids

4. The Bank of Ceylon reserves the right of rejecting any or all bids and the right of accepting

5. Further details could be obtained from the Chief Manager, Properties & Procurement

received later than 1000 hrs will be rejected and returned unopened.

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23.10.2020 at 1500 hrs

26.10.2020 at 1000 hrs

19.10.2020 at 1100 hrs on the

03<sup>rd</sup> floor BOC Head Office Building.

Bank of Ceylon

Purchase of 60,000 School Bags for

Rs.5,400 /- (Rs. 5,000/- + Rs.400/- VAT)

Accredited Local Agents for Supply of the following Gift items as given below.

Bid No.

Description of the Procurement

Date & time of closing bid

Pre- Bid meeting will be held on

acceptable in lieu of Bid Bonds.

Applicable non-refundable bidding Documents Fee

Last date & time of issuing bidding Documents

#### Leasing of a Three Storied Building

Quotations are called to lease a three storied building (with the ground floor) situated at No. 300, Katugasthota Road, Kandy.

Owned by Sri Pushpadana Society Kandy (Pvt)Ltd, of which constructions are nearly finished.One Floor is containing in extent more than 2100 square feet and there are parking facilities for about 04 vehicles. A non refundable deposit of Rupees 10 Million is expecting and the Agreement will be renewed once in every three years and the building can be leased for about 20 years. The interested parties are requested to inspect the premises and tender the prices before 26.10.2020. For further information, please contact the following telephone numbers. The decision of the Executive Council shall be final and conclusive.

Hony. Secretary,

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Sri Pushpadana Society, Kandy Pvt.Ltd.

No. 115, D.S.Senanayake Street,

Tel No. 081-2223987 / 2202958



NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL FORUM OF THE ORGANISATION OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF SRI LANKA (OPA)

45TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019/2020

Notice is hereby given that the 45th Annual General Meeting of the Organisation of Professional Associations of Sri Lanka will be held on 29th October 2020 commencing at 5.00 p.m. at the Auditorium of the OPA

> Postal votes will be accepted till 1.00 p.m. on 29th October 2020

Any Forum Member who has not received the Notice may contact the Chairman, Election Panel or General Secretary, OPA

> Ruchira Gunasekera Attorney-at-Law General Secretary -OPA

The Organisation of Professional Associations of Sri Lanka (OPA) 275/75, Prof. Stanley Wijesundera Mawatha, Colombo 7

Tele: 011-2580268 / 011-5844901 E-mail: opasrilanka@gmail.com

#### NDB WEALTH MANAGEMENT LIMITED

(A fully owned subsidiary of NDB Bank Plc) E-mail: info@ndbinvestors.com

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH SCIENCE **REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS AND CONTRACTORS - 2021**

Applications will be received from reputed Suppliers, Manufacturers, Distributors, Contractors, State Institutions, State Corporations, Cooperative Societies and other individuals who wish to be registered for the supply of the undermentioned goods and services required for the National Institute of Health Science, Kalutara.

Suppliers will be registered under 02 categories as A and B. Institutions situated within the Kalutara District will be registered under the category A while institutions stated island-wide will be registered under category B.

Applications prepared as per the format stated below could either be sent by registered post addressed to Director, National Institute of Health Science, Kalutara or placed in the tender box kept for the purpose, to be received at or before 10.30 a.m. on 04.11.2020. The cover containing the bid should be compulsorily marked "Registration of Suppliers for the year 2021" at the left side top corner.

Each application for the supplies and services should be accompanied with a registration fee of Rs. 500.00 (five hundred only), drawn in favour of the Director of the National Institute of Health Science. Separate applications should be submitted for each supply or service as per the item number. Rs. 500.00 should be paid for each application.

#### METHOD OF PAYMENT

The relevant money can either be credited to the Account No. 7040233 of the Bank of Ceylon, Kalutara Branch. The bank slip should be attached with the bid (The bank seal should be placed to prove the making of the payment) or can pay at this office and attach the receipt thus received. Bids not accompanied with either the Bank slip or the cash receipt will be rejected.

#### Category A - (Registration of ) Regional suppliers within Kalutara District)

#### No. Items

- Consumable items and health equipment (brooms, ekel brooms, brushes, rubber products and sanitary
- Tyres, tubes, vehicle batteries and other vehicle spare parts, etc.
- Textiles, bedsheets, door/window
- curtains, pillows, mattresses, etc. Date stamps and rubber seals.
- Electrical equipments, accessories
- Building equipment, accessories and materials (pipes, electrical and other services)
- Repairing and maintaining of air-conditioners, refrigerators, electrical equipment
- Repairs and servicing of computers, typewriters.
- Repairing institutions and garages for all types of vehicles
- Repairs to vehicle air-conditioning and air conditioners
- 11. Servicing of all types of vehicles
- 12. Transport services on rent basis (lorries, vans, buses required for Thriposha and other transport work)

- 13. Printing of books and other printing services (digital printing etc)
- 14. Supply of drugs containers sachets (3x4")
- 15. Supply of food items (food packets, short eats, soft drinks)

#### Category B (Registration of open suppliers - Islandwide) No. Items

- 16. Office stationery, computer stationery, toners, ribbons
- 17. Office equipment (computers, computer accessories, fax machines, photocopy machines, calculators, etc)
- 18. Office furniture (wooden cupboards, steel cupboards, chairs, tables, etc.)
- 19. Laboratory materials and laboratory equipment, reagents
- 20. Equipment and consumables required for dental clinics
- 21. Audio visual equipment
- 22. Repairs to water pumps, equipment
- 23. Servicing of electric ovens/gas pipes
- 24. Repairs to audio visual equipment
- 25. Building construction maintenance (ICTAD work registration C9 or higher)
- 26. Repairs to generators
- 27. Purchase of air-conditioners

#### SPECIMEN APPLICATION **REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS AND CONTRACTORS - 2021 National Institute of Health Science, Kalutara**

(Application to be prepared using A4 size paper)

- Name and address of the Business:
- Name of owner of the Business:
- Registration number (should attach a copy of the business registration certificate):
- Telephone No. Fax No. Email Address.
- VAT registration number (if registered) (attach a copy) :
- Number requested for (from No. 01 to 26 above):
- Details of services previously provided:
- Are stores facilities available? Yes/No.
- Details of service competencies and experience: 9.
- 10. Other details: I declare that the above facts are true and accurate.

**Owners Signature** (Official Seal)

#### **CONDITIONS**

- Registration of suppliers will be subject to the decision of the Procurement Committee of the National Institute of Health Science.
- Quotations will be called for as per the list of registered suppliers. However, the Procurement Committee of the institute retains the right to call for quotations from sources outside the registered list whenever such needs arise.
- Registered suppliers will be bound to provide quotations and the relevant service whenever requested for.
- Samples of relevant goods should be provided for inspection whenever it is requested for before the supplies are made.
- Suppliers should deliver the goods to the National Institute of Health Science on issuing of the orders.

Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, National Institute of Health Science, Kalutara

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any portion of a bid without adducing any reasons.

#### Chief Manager

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