

## AG ASKS CJ FOR TRIAL-AT-BAR TO TRY BOND SCAM SUSPECTS

ACCUSED COULD BE CHARGED FOR CRIMINAL MISAPPROPRIATION

DILSHAN THARAKA and SHAVINI MADHARA

Attorney General Dappula de Livera has requested Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya to appoint a Trial-at-Bar to try former Minister Ravi Karunanayake, former Central Bank Governor Arjuna Mahendran and nine others in connection with the second Central Bank bond issue that took place on March 29, 2016.

Coordinating Officer to the Attorney General State Counsel Nishara Jayarathna stated that Attorney General Livera made this request taking into consideration the seriousness of the offences



Three main suspects: Former Central Bank Governor Arjuna Mahendran, former Minister Ravi Karunanayake and Perpetual Treasuries beneficiary owner Arjun Aloysius.

which caused a huge impact on the national economy.

The Attorney General alleged that Perpetual Treasuries Limited (PTL) has used the Central Bank's

important undisclosed information to artificially alter the final outcome of the Treasury Bond auction. The Attorney General has further alleged that this fraud has

### BOND SCAM MAGISTERIAL INQUIRY ON MARCH 18

SHAVINI MADHARA

The magisterial inquiry into the Central Bank Bond scam was yesterday fixed for March 18 by Colombo Additional Magistrate Bandara Nelumdeniya. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

caused injustice to other primary sellers in the bond market and PTL has acted cunningly, made a huge profit and conspired to cause a huge loss to the Government. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



President Gotabaya Rajapaksa arrived in Parliament yesterday and listened to the debate together with Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa. (Picture by Parliament Communication Department)

## Give us Easter Attack Commission Report - Cardinal

SUBHASHINI SENANAYAKE and DILSHAN THARAKA

Colombo Archbishop Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith urged the Government to provide a copy of the report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry into the Easter Sunday attacks to him as soon as possible.

He said he is ready to go to an international



court if Sri Lankan law is not properly enforced against those responsible for the Easter

Sunday attacks that took place on April 21, 2019. He was speaking at a media briefing held at the Archbishop's House yesterday (11). **▶ TO PAGE 02**

## PM meets Maha Sangha to discuss UNHRC resolution

LAHIRU FERNANDO

Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa called on the Maha Sangha to discuss on the resolution to be presented against Sri Lanka at the next United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) sessions in Geneva in March.

The purpose of this meeting held with the participation of Maha Sangha and several ministers at the Temple Trees on Tuesday evening was to seek the advice of Maha Sangha on the steps that should be taken by Sri Lanka against this resolution, the Prime Minister's



Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa meeting the Maha Sangha yesterday. (Picture by PM Media.)

Media Division said. Ven. Bengamuwe Nalaka Thera stated that Sri Lanka must

protect the freedom which was achieved through a humanitarian operation. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

## WHO OKs AstraZeneca jabs for COVID variants, over-65s

The AstraZeneca-Oxford COVID-19 vaccine can be used for people aged over 65, and also where coronavirus variants of concern are circulating, WHO experts said Wednesday, soothing fears about the jab.

The World Health Organization's Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization

(SAGE) issued interim recommendations for when and how to use the two-shot vaccine, which has yet to receive WHO emergency use authorisation.

The announcement came after the vaccine suffered setbacks, raising questions about whether it should be used on older people. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

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## Investor friendly rules, regulations under draft - State Minister

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Business-friendly rules and regulations are being drafted to attract fresh foreign investments to the Colombo Port City project, Money and Capital Market and State Enterprise Reforms State Minister Ajith Nivard Cabraal told Parliament yesterday (11).

The drafted laws and regulations will be presented to Parliament soon, he said. Cabraal was responding to a question by Samagi Jana Balawegaya. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



## Main suspect in 2017 Piliyandala shooting arrested in India

DINULI FRANCISCO

A chief suspect in connection with the 2017 shooting attack on Police Narcotics Bureau (PNB) officers in Piliyandala has been arrested in India, said Police Media Spokesman, DIG Ajith Rohana. DIG Ajith Rohana said that the Indian INTERPOL has officially notified the INTERPOL



branch in Sri Lanka regarding the arrest of Mohamed Mahir Mohamed Nawaz. The suspect is being held in custody in Madhur by India's. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

## Technical Committee will review COVID burials - State Minister

SANDASEN MARASINGHE, CAMELIA NATHANIEL and AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI

A decision on allowing the burial of COVID victims will be taken based only on the recommendations of the Health Ministry's Expert Committee, State Minister Dr. Sudarshani Fernandopulle told Parliament yesterday. Dr. Fernandopulle said although Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa informed Parliament on Wednesday that burial of COVID victims would be permitted, the Health Ministry will present the matter to a Technical Expert Committee for action. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



## US to impose sanctions on Myanmar junta

President Joe Biden announced Wednesday that his administration will impose sanctions against

those involved in last week's military coup in Myanmar and demanded that the country immediately return power

to that nation's democratically elected government. The sanctions will target military leaders who directed. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

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while taking into consideration the foreign policy followed by PM Sirimavo Bandaranaike and the late Lakshman Kadirgamar.

Ven. Kirinde Assaji Thera also commenting on the matter said this problematic situation is mainly based on two issues, the Islamic Extremism and the issue of the East Container Terminal of the Colombo Port. "Therefore, Sri Lanka needs to ask for more time from the UNHRC in connection with this resolution," he stressed.

Ven. Dr. Medagoda Abhayatissa Thera said Sri Lanka should refrain from submitting any counter-proposal to the UNHRC at this juncture. Instead, he said we should limit it to a statement. "It is a crime to say that bringing an end to the war through a humanitarian operation is a crime," he said.

"Sri Lanka has the opportunity to work towards an effective response from the UNHRC with the support of the Mahasangha in the other Buddhist countries too, he said. Ven. Abhayatissa also expressed his

appreciation to the Prime Minister for calling a meeting with the Mahasangha at such a decisive moment.

Foreign Relations Minister Dinesh Gunawardena was of the view that the High Commissioner's Resolution against Sri Lanka is aimed at defaming the country which is in the top list of the countries that controlled the global pandemic successfully. This resolution includes 16 areas and causes a serious damage to the country's sovereignty, he pointed out.

Minister Wimal Weerawansa pointed that there is a possibility of imposing economic sanctions on Sri Lanka, inter-state travel bans and also losing the support of the foreign countries due to this resolution. Therefore it is essential to increase the number of countries supporting Sri Lanka against this resolution at the UNHRC Session.

Weerawansa also pointed out that the foreign policies of some countries are not subject to any changes as beneficial to us.

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He said he had asked President Gotabaya Rajapaksa for a copy of the final report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry, but had not received it yet.

"We must find the truth in certain things. So we can't wait for this. Send us a copy as soon as possible. Then we can find answers to the doubts we have" he added.

"I also testified before the Easter Attack Com-



mission. I made a request to the Commission to find not only those who did not take action to prevent the attack but also as to who was behind this attack. So I hope the Commission responds positively to that request. We need to see what the government does after the report. If there is no progress, we will have to look forward to the support of the international organizations," he said.

**Investor friendly...** From page 01

MP Heshu Vithanage during the questions round. President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has appointed a Presidential Commission chaired by Lalith Weeratunga, the Principal Adviser to the President, to remove existing legal barriers to investment, Cabraal added.

Minister Cabraal said steps have been taken to amend strict and outdated rules and regulations and to introduce more positive rules and regulations. A Cabinet Sub-Committee on Investment Promotion has been appointed to



minimise delays in approving investors in Sri Lanka and to attract foreign investment to the country, he said.

Cabraal said that in future advanced technological systems will be introduced in the submission of documents related to Customs services.

Strengthening the rupee, improving the country's transaction facilities, digitizing the stock market, improving efficiency are some crucial measures taken by the government to facilitate investors, State Minister Cabraal also pointed out.

**Bond scam...** From page 01

The suspects have been named as Perpetual Treasuries Limited (PTL) beneficiary owner Arjun Aloysius, CEO Kasun Palisena, former Central Bank Deputy Governor P. Samarasiri, Perpetual Treasuries Chairman Geoffrey Aloysius and three Perpetual Treasuries directors Pushpamitra

Gunawardena, Chitta Ranjan Hulugalle and Muthuraja Surendran. They were also accused of allegedly aiding and abetting and conspiring with Arjuna Mahendran to misappropriate public funds worth of Rs. 688 million during the Bond auction held on February 27, 2015.

**Ranjan's Seat: Interim Order further extended**

**LAKMAL SOORIYAGODA**

The Court of Appeal yesterday further extended its interim order directing Secretary General of Parliament (SGP) to maintain status quo (maintain existing state of affairs) regarding the Parliamentary seat of Samaja Jana Balawegaya (SJB) Gampaha District MP Ranjan Ramanayake. This interim order will be effective till March 16.

Court of Appeal two-judge-bench comprising Justice (President) Arjuna Obeyesekere and Justice Mayadunna Corea made this order consequent to a writ petition filed by Ran-

jan Ramanayake claiming his rights to function as a Parliamentarian has been affected.

This petition is to be taken up for support on March 16. President's Counsel M.A. Sumanthiran appearing for Ramanayake sought a further date as Faiz Mustapha PC who is to support the petition was indisposed.

On January 11, the Supreme Court convicted Ranjan Ramanayake for Contempt of Court and sentenced him to four years' rigorous imprisonment.

Ramanayake is seeking an order restraining the

Secretary General of Parliament from taking any steps to inform the Election Commission that he has vacated his seat as a Member of Parliament.

Ramanayake stated that irreparable harm and damage will be caused to him unless the interim relief is granted to him inasmuch as he will be deprived of functioning as a Member of Parliament.

The Petitioner further stated that the People's franchise would also be adversely affected if he is wrongfully prevented as functioning as a representative of his electorate.

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and the Health Ministry will have to act based on recommendations of this Committee.

However, Sri Lanka Muslim Congress MP Rauff Hakeem slammed the State Minister and the Health Ministry, questioning if they were beyond the Prime Minister, who is entitled to make decisions on behalf of the state and its citizens. "The Prime Minister made a very categorical statement that burials would be permitted. This is a better late than never, mature decision by a very mature politician. He understands not only the predicament of the government but the minorities and the reconciliation of this country. In such an issue, now going

back to the so-called, 'expert committee' which is full of people who are pseudo scientists is not going to solve this problem. Minister Ali Sabry knows that Muslims on both sides have been agitating for this and finally the Prime Minister has given a solemn undertaking in this House.

What more than that? Now it is up to the Health authorities. Who is better than the Prime Minister to make a decision on behalf of the government? Who are the so-called experts in the Health Ministry who are blocking this and creating racial tensions in this country? We are dragging the whole country into an abyss by this conduct," he said.

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The charges are to be filed Under Section 56 of the Registered Securities and Exchange Ordinance for conspiracy, criminal misappropriation, cheating and market manipulation in respect of the Bond auctions on March 2016.

The indictments to be filed against eleven accused. They are; former Finance Minister Ravi Karunanayake, CBSL former Governor Arjuna Mahendran, Perpetual Treasuries Limited (PTL) beneficiary owner Arjun

Aloysius, PTL Chief dealer Kasun Palisena, Chairman of PTL Jeffrey Joseph Aloysius, Chitta Ranjan Hulugalle, Muthuraja Surendran, Ajahn Gardiye Puchiheva, Sangarapillai Pathumanapan, Badugoda Hewa Indika Saman Kumara.

Meanwhile, the Criminal Investigations Department yesterday informed the Colombo Fort Magistrate Priyantha Liyanage that they have concluded the investigations pertaining to a case filed against

former Minister Ravi Karunanayake, former CBSL governor Arjuna Mahendran, Perpetual Treasuries Limited owner Arjun Aloysius and 8 others over the Bond Scam involving Treasury Bond.

The Attorney General alleged that the accused could be charged for conspiracy to commit criminal misappropriation in respect of treasury bonds to the face value of Rs.36.98 billion and 15 billion respectively in March, 2016.

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or in places where a variant of the virus first found in South Africa is circulating.

SAGE chief Alejandro Cravioto acknowledged the lack of data on the vaccine's efficacy for people aged over 65, which has prompted a number of countries to withhold recommending its use in older people, who are by far the most vulnerable to the virus.

But the experts concluded that given its performance with younger adults, "it is likely that the vaccine will be found to be efficacious in older persons. The trial data indicate that the vaccine is safe for this age group."

Cravioto told journalists: "We feel that the response of this group cannot be any different from groups of a younger age." (AFP)

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Narcotics Control Bureau over a narcotics-related offence.

Several drug traffickers had opened fire on PNB officers on May 9, 2017 including Inspector Neomal Rangajeeva in Piliyandala. A constable was killed and an 11-year-old succumbed to injuries and was pronounced

dead after three days in hospital. Four others including IP Neomal Rangajeeva and another police officer and two children sustained injuries in the shooting. The arrested suspect had pretended as an informant to police at the time of the incident. The Western Province Police Division launched an

investigation into the incident and have arrested several suspects earlier connected with the incident.

DIG Ajith Rohana said that suspect had fled to India after the shooting. Rohana said measures will be taken to have the suspect brought here under the extradition law.

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the coup, as well as their business interests and close family members.

The first round of specific individuals targeted for the sanctions will be identified later this week, Biden said. The order will also prevent military leaders from

accessing some US\$ 1 billion in Burmese funds being held in the U.S.

His administration will also impose export controls and freeze U.S. assets that benefit Myanmar's government, but will continue to uphold support for

health care and other benefits that directly support the country's citizens.

"Today, I again call on the Burmese military to immediately release the democratic political leaders and activists," Biden said. (NBC, NPR)



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# Public alerted on 'Valentine rackets'

The Police requested the people to be alert on financial rackets in view of the Valentine's Day. Police Spokesman DIG Ajith Rohana said the

Police have got information that various organised groups are planning financial scams via social media, email, and text messages.

He requested the public not to respond to social media or email invitations for Valentine's Day celebrations, or deposit cash or make credit card pay-

ments to participate in such events. He requested the people to refrain from responding to text messages seeking cash deposits to deliver gifts for part-

ners for the Valentine's Day. He said that public events and parties for the Valentine's Day have been prohibited under the Quarantine Law.

## Armoury in Miriswatta raided; ammunition, weapons seized



The firearms and bullets

The Special Task Force (STF) raided an illegal armoury in Miriswatta, Katana and seized firearms and 1,171 live bullets. One suspect was arrested with eight firearms including two pistols from Miriswatta in the Katana

Police Division yesterday. The raid was carried out on a tip off by officials of the Gonahena STF. A large stock of live bullets and several other tools were also seized, police said. The suspect has been handed over to the Katana police.

## 'Plant for love' today

The Environment Ministry will launch a tree planting programme, "A Plant for Love" today at the Weerawila Lake to mark the Valentine's Day, which falls on February 14. It will be launched in

parallel to the *Husma Dena Thuru* planting programme. Under the programme, 5000 *Mee* saplings will be planted on the banks of the lake. The couples will plant the saplings and hand

them over to the elderly farmers in the area. Environment Minister Mahinda Amaraweera said that the decision was made to set up the programme to encourage the present generation to protect the environment.

## Dr. Anil Jasinghe to APN Vice Presidency

Environment Ministry Secretary Dr. Anil Jasinghe has been appointed the Vice President of the Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research.



The appointment was made at the recent Asia Pacific Network (APN) Intergovernmental Meeting on Technology. The Asia-Pacific Net-

work for Global Change Research (APN) is an intergovernmental conference. An intergovernmental network promotes policy-oriented research and capacity building activities related to global change. It consists of 22 member countries including Sri Lanka. APN receives financial contributions from

member countries, with financial support from the United States, Japan, the Republic of Korea and New Zealand. The APN seeks to identify scientific facts to promote and encourage research on global change in regional cooperation. Dr. Anil Jasinghe previously served as the Vice President of the Executive Council of the World Health Organization in 2020.

# SC extends Interim Order preventing death penalty

LAKMAL SOORIYAGODA

The Supreme Court yesterday extended its Interim Order preventing the Commissioner General of Prisons and the Welikada Prison Superintendent from executing any prisoner consequent to a death warrant signed by former President Maithripala Sirisena, until September 7.

The Supreme Court three-judge-bench headed by Justice Vijith Malalgodha made the order pursuant to 12 Fundamental Rights petitions filed including the one filed by Attorney-at-Law Kavindu Hewa Geeganage. The 12 petitions had been filed in the Supreme Court seeking an Interim Order directing the Commissioner General of Prisons and the Welikada Prison Superintendent from executing any prisoner consequent to a death warrant signed by the former President.

The petitions will be taken up for support on September 6.

The Attorney General, Justice Minister, Commissioner General of Prisons, Welikada Prison Superintendent and several others have been named as respondents in the petitions.

In its petition, the Centre for Policy Alternative (CPA) stated that it has long been recognised that hanging is a cruel and inhuman form of punishment, not befitting a multi religious and civilised society. Though convicts have been sentenced to death, the long recognised practice in Sri Lanka for over 43 years has been that they were not executed.

The CPA reiterates that the implementation of death penalty at this juncture is a violation of fundamental rights guaranteed under Article 11 (Freedom from torture) and under Article 12(1) [All persons are equal before the law and are entitled to equal protection before the law] of the Constitution.

Filing another petition, Attorney-at-Law Kavindu Hewa Geeganage stated that selection of specific individuals to impose the death penalty is arbitrary, unreasonable and made on no identifiable criteria and without any justifications for the same.

He argued that purported selection appears to have been carried out contrary to the Law and the Constitution and in particular the proviso to Article 34(1) of the Constitution.

The petitioner stated that purported selection of specific individuals are contrary to international norms and do not meet the relevant threshold for 'most serious crimes'.

The State, in taking steps to carry out such executions in haste has caused rise to a situation of imminent infringement of the condemned prisoners' rights under Article 11, 12(1), 13(4), 13(6) and 17 of the Constitution, the petitioner states.

President's Counsel M.A.Sumanthiran appeared for the petitioners.

Senior Deputy Solicitor General Nerin Pulle appeared for the Attorney General.



Sri Lanka Muslim Congress (SLMC) leader, Parliamentarian Rauff Hakeem called on Pakistan Acting High Commissioner Tanvir A. Bhatti in Colombo on February 9 and discussed matters pertaining to the Pakistan Premier Imran Khan's visit. Picture by Ashraff A. Samad

## Wolbachia to control dengue

DILSHAN THARAKA

The Health Ministry will resume this month the fieldwork to release 'Aedes aegypti' mosquitoes that carry natural 'Wolbachia' bacteria to control dengue. The programme was suspended for nearly four

months because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is being implemented under the World Mosquito Control Programme to prevent dengue, Chikungunya, Sika, and Yellow Fever by releasing 'Aedes aegypti' mosquitoes that

carry *Wolbachia* bacteria into the environment. The mosquitoes carrying the bacterium *Nobokia* will be released at public places using a container - a "Mosquito Box" (Mozzie box). The mosquito box is provided free

to the community and in about two weeks the mosquitoes will hatch and fly from the mosquito box. They will produce a new generation of mosquitoes with the *Wolbachia* bacterium. These mosquitoes help protect the community from dengue.

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# COPE recommendations will be implemented – Minister Namal

Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa said that the recommendations of the COPE Committee will be implemented. He said that as the Sports Minister, he is duty bound to implement the COPE recommendations.

The Sri Lanka Cricket Board (SLCB) was summoned before the COPE Committee yesterday.

Responding to a question by Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) MP Buddhika Pathirana in Parliament yesterday, he said that the country has no regulation regarding the qualifications of trainers. He said that sports trainers' qualifications need to be regulated. "It is required to look into whether these trainers are regulated

through a parent club or according to the international standards. However, it is regretful that there is an issue regarding the qualifications of sports trainers and their competency," the Minister said.

He, therefore, said that discussions have been held with the parent clubs and these trainers should have a proper training. "Today what is happening is that anyone can put a team together and train them informally. This is a serious injustice to these athletes."

The Minister said that gyms or the fitness trainers have not been regulated. He said that these trainers need to have required qualifications. The Minister said the future activities



could be implemented. He said that apart from trainers who are registered with certain parent clubs, a large number of trainers have not been properly registered. "This matter needs to be addressed," the Minister said.

The Minister responded to MP Pathirana that ath-

letes should be provided with insurance. "The legitimate trainers, too, need to be provided with an insurance cover. Minister Rajapaksa said that only cricketers are insured. He said that discussions are underway to insure all athletes including sports trainers.

Meanwhile, MP Rauff Hakeem pointed out that while there are many issues related to the country's hockey administration and facilities, only Colombo has an artificial turf to conduct hockey matches. "Even the Matala turf is destroyed. At least in Kandy and Matala where hockey is being played, you must give us an assurance that you will build artificial turfs," he urged Minister Namal Rajapaksa.

In response, Minister Namal Rajapaksa said that Rs. 50 million had been allocated to the Sri Lanka Army to refurbish the Matala hockey turf within this year. The Colombo turf would be done with the Asian Hockey Federation, he said. "Unfortunately, the Hockey Federation has a lot of internal problems. So on Wednesday we issued instructions to the DG Sports to conduct the elections within the next two months. Once the elections are held and the new administration is appointed, we will allocate Rs. 100 million from our side and with the Asian Hockey Federation. Also in Kandy, we want to have a normal turf and not an artificial turf," he said.



SANDASEN MARASINGHE, CAMELIA NATHANIEL AND AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI

# Decision making is open to everyone who is willing to contribute – Minister Ali Sabry, PC

Justice Minister Ali Sabry, PC, said that a massive transformation of the Justice System is underway, in which 3 full-time sub-committees are at work to reform the Criminal Law, Civil Law and the Commercial Law and another committee of experts is involved in drafting the new Constitution.

The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice was held yesterday in Parliament with special emphasis on the transformation of the Criminal Justice System.

The discussion on Community based correction was set in motion following the presentation by Assistant Secretary-General of Parliament Tikiri K. Jayathilake.

The Assistant Secretary-General said at the committee that the Criminal Law and the notion of justice are entwined and it is important to integrate individuals into society as responsible citizens rather than labelling them as criminals.

Assistant Secretary-General Tikiri K. Jayathilake said that the objective could be done by the Consultative Committee via two tiers. One being the political tier inclusive of the political leadership in stirring towards the requisite reforms and the second tier includes officials and professionals representing various fields con-



tributing their expertise towards the formulation and development of relevant reforms.

The Minister said that it is the intention of the Ministry to involve everyone who is willing to contribute to the decision-making.

The Minister said that before COVID and under normal circumstances, approximately 30,000 to 33,000 have been in prison whereas the capacity of those is only for 11,000.

The Minister said that a vast majority of them are remand prisoners and only 8,000 were convicts. He said that 90 per cent or more in remand prison are drug addicts - not drug-related criminals.

The Minister said that when the 2018-2019 statistics were called for from the Government Analyst Department, only 114 cases were against those who had a pure quantity of drugs. He said that 99 per cent of those who were arrested - approximately 3,300, had 2-5g of drugs

when they were arrested. The Minister explained how large-scale drug cases are stagnated as the High Courts have been clogged by minor cases.

Minister Ali Sabry said that rehabilitating such individuals through community-based correction is important rather than allowing them to mingle with drug criminals paving way for them to convert into a drug-related criminals.

Prison Management and Rehabilitation State Minister Lohan Ratwatte said that 250 acres have been given by the Urban Development Authority (UDA) and measures have been taken to relocate the prisons such as the Welikada Prison, Women's Prison, Magazine New Remand Prison to Horana in commercial areas to increase the capacity of prisons to 10-fold.

State Minister Susil Premajayantha said that there is a considerable delay in receiving the Government Analyst's reports, which causes a delay in hearings. The Justice Minister said that measures have been taken to resolve the issue.

Parliamentarian Weerasumana Weerasinghe said that it is mandatory to include subjects related to Law, Crime and Conviction to the school syllabus since children should be educated in this regard from an early age.

# Government did not unfairly increase Grade 5 Scholarship Exam Cut-off-Marks – Minister Prof. G.L. Peiris

The Government has not unfairly increased the Cut-off-Marks for the admission of students to schools for 2021 on the results of the Grade 5 Scholarship Exam, Education Professor G.L. Peiris yesterday said in Parliament.

The Cut-off-Marks are determined in accordance with the students' performances at the exam, Minister Prof. Peiris said.

The Minister was responding to Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa under the Standing Order 27/2 regarding the Cut-off-Marks for the Grade 5

Scholarship Exam.

"Based on the exam results, the Cut-off-Marks for admission to schools for 2021 have been raised abnormally. As a result, the dreams of many children have shattered. Their parents have been frustrated. This situation has arisen because of an increase in the number of marks required for admission to the National Schools from 6 to 10. Therefore, to enter a lead-



ing school in Colombo, one has to obtain over 160 and over 82 for one subject. Such a large change in the Cut-off-Marks is problematic and the Government should pay special attention to it," the Opposition Leader said.

Minister Prof. Peiris said in reply that Cut-off-Marks is determined by the skills of the children. He said that the marks are determined transparently.

# Each Grama Niladari Division will be granted Rs. 2 mn for development – Minister Rathnayake

The Government will grant Rs 2 million to the 14,022 Gramaseva Niladari Divisions each to implement rural development projects in parallel to the Government's strategy to increase the production to get rid of the economic issues, Wildlife and Forest Conservation Minister C. B. Rathnayake said in Parliament yesterday.

He was moving four regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act for the approval of the House.

The Minister said that in respect of the farmers' issue in Weragodayaya in Polonnaruwa, he would inform State Minister Roshan Ranasinghe whether the problem could be resolved in 24 hours, and whether the issue arose on a gazette notification.

He said that the Government took measures to reduce the tax and the interest rate on loans. "The benefits of them to the public and the businessmen have been forgotten. The Government had addressed the unemployment issue. By now, 67,000 graduates of 100,000 have already been recruited. Each Grama



Seva Niladari Division of 14,022 has been given Rs 2 million for development," he said.

"We are doing all these things while experiencing a global pandemic that has killed over 2.6 million people all over the world," Minister Rathnayake said. "The entire world's production is affected. When we attempt to increase the local production, we have to face many issues and the regulations that I moved today are supposed to address those issues," he said.

Minister Rathnayake said that the country is facing such a challenge along with the entire world and the country handled the matter successfully compared to other countries.

# Ban on imports severely affected economy – MP Eran

Parliamentarian Eran Wickramaratne said in Parliament yesterday that the ban on imports has severe repercussions on the economy.

He was participating in the debate on four regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act presented in Parliament for the approval of the House.

He said that the ban on

import was reversing the economy. "It takes us back to the economy during 1970 to 1977," he said.

He said that the debt burden in the country is around Rs. 15 trillion, with which we cannot go any further. When the Middle Income were



taken into account, Sri Lanka is within the two countries that have the highest loan rate in accordance with their GDP. The other is Lebanon, which is bankrupt. "The future of Sri Lanka is critically dangerous," he said.

# Protest march from Pottuvil to Polikandy aimed at fulfilling political agendas – Minister Devananda

**NIMAL WIJESINGHE,** Anuradhapura Additional District Group Corr.

The protest march organized by some Tamil Political Parties from Pottuvil to Polikandy was aimed at getting some selfish political agendas fulfilled, Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Minister Douglas Devananda said.

He was speaking at a meeting at the Jaffna Kachcheri for discussing matters pertaining to the Jaffna aquatic resources development activities and damage caused to the fisher folks in North by the Buravi Cyclone.

"The Tamil community was not at all benefited

from this fruitless exercise. Those who took part in the walk pretended that they were in a position for clamoring against the Government. That protest campaign was only for gaining an undue political advantage by hoodwinking the public. There is nothing the conveners of the protest march could do for the Tamils and this is not a protest march on behalf of the Tamil community," he said.

At the meeting, Devananda instructed the Divisional Secretaries and the Fisheries Department officers to submit details of all fishermen who were affected by the Buravi cyclone in the Jaffna District in one week.



Justice Minister Ali Sabry, PC along with other officials at the ministry.

# Digitalising Justice System commences

Digitalising the Justice System was commenced yesterday jointly by the Justice Ministry, Judicial Service Commission, Technology Ministry and the Information and Communication Technology

Agency (ICTA). A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed in this regard with the participation of Justice Minister Ali Sabry, PC at the Ministry.

Under the initiative, all

affairs of the judiciary will be digitalised. Case files will be computerised and online fine payments will be made possible.

The first phase of digitalising will be completed this year.

# HEALTH CARE ESSENTIALS (PVT) LTD. Public Notice of Incorporation

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# Prominent schools for students talented in sports

**MAHINDA ALUTHGEDARA**

The Government has decided to give an opportunity for the students who possess special talents in sports to get admission to national and prominent schools.

The initiative has been taken by Education Minister Prof G L Peiris responding to a request by Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa. The

programme will be set up for children between Grade 9 and 11.

The Media Ministry on Wednesday said this at a meeting with Media Minister Keheliya Rambukwella and Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa.

Minister Rajapaksa said that it will help rural students with special talents on various sports to excel in education and sports.

# Russian woman jumps off bus

**MAHINDA P. LIYANAGE,** Galle Central Special Corr.

A foreign woman who fell from a moving bus at Katugoda in Galle was admitted to the Karapitiya Teaching Hospital with serious injuries, Galle Harbour Police said.

The 38-year-old Russian woman, Yalemvina Lajhavova, had boarded a bus from Mirissa to Galle and had told the driver to stop the bus as her bag had fallen from the bus in Katugoda. She had jumped off the bus to pick up the bag before it was stopped.

The bus driver has been arrested, Harbour Police are investigating.

# Obituaries

**ABEYGOONEWARDENA - CAMMILLUS RAJEVA** (Deputy Inspector General of Police (Rtd.) - Traffic Administration & Road Safety), Vice Patron & Past President of St. Peter's College Old Boys Union, Past President retired Senior Police Officers' Association, Past President Nondescript Cricket Club, Former Chairman & Member of SLC Disciplinary Committee, Former Member of SLC Executive Committee, Member of the Blessed Joseph Vaz Trust, Former Security Advisor - Japan International Cooperation Agency Sri Lanka, Honorary Trustee of Sasakawa Memorial Sri Lanka - Japan Cultural Center Trust, President JICA Alumni Association, Executive Director Lanka Safeguard Pvt. Ltd., Advisor - International Police Association (Sri Lanka Section), dearly beloved husband of Mali, loving father of Sanjeeva, late Lashan and of Dilan, loving father-in-law of Keshini and Sandra, loving brother of late Lakshman and of Sita, affectionate grandfather of Cheval, Janik, Seth and Carven. Remains lie at **A.F. Raymond's Funeral Parlour**. Cortege leaves the Parlour after service at 9.00 a.m. on Saturday 13th February for Burial at the Galkissa General Cemetery, Mt. Lavinia.

# Only one hour should be given for Round of Questions for Oral Answers – Minister Johnston

Highways Minister and Chief Government Whip Johnston Fernando yesterday said that Parliament should allocate only one hour for the Round of Questions for Oral Answers with immediate effect.

He was responding to Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) Parliamentarian Harsha de Silva when the latter said that only one hour is allocated for the



Round of Questions for Oral Answers in accordance with the Standing Orders of Parliament.

He said that Parliament should abide by the Standing Orders.

Harsha de Silva brought the Standing Orders to the notice of the House when Chief Opposition Parliamentarian Lakshman Kiriella said that the first question and answer had consumed half an hour.

He said that the members were attempting to get highlighted to the

President and the Prime Minister who were present in the House.

SJB MP Heshu Withanage raised the first question and State Minister Ajith Nivard Cabraal responded.

However, Withanage's supplementary question consumed more time and the Government side members objected. Then the Government side and the opposition side exchanged remarks.

Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena responded to MP Kiriella that if all were abided by the Standing Orders, the time could be saved. "The Opposition members should not make speeches on irrelevant matters when raising questions and supplementary questions. They should not try to make the Question Round a platform for debate," he said.

# National Policy should be set up on granting country's assets – MP Withanage

Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) Ratnapura District Parliamentarian Heshu Withanage yesterday said that the Government led by President Gotabaya Rajapaksa should set up a national policy on matters such as handing the Hambantota Port and the Colombo Port Eastern Terminal over to foreign companies depriving the country of massive revenues.

Then Money and Capital Market and State Enterprise Reforms State Minister Ajith Nivard Cabraal responded that

the Government's policy is not to give strategically important assets to foreign companies.

He said that the grant of the Hambantota Port was incorrect no matter whoever did it and there should be a national policy in this regard. "However, the Hambantota Port was given during the previous United National Party (UNP) Good Governance Government," he said.

He was responding while President Gotabaya Rajapaksa was present in the House. The President



arrived in the House preceded by Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa and followed by many other Ministers, State Minister and Parliamentarians during the Round of Questions for Oral Answers.

When the President was arriving in the house, MP Withanage was raising the question for State Minister Cabraal.

State Minister Cabraal said that the Eastern Terminal will not be given to any other country and it will be operated 100 per cent by the country. "The Government has clearly expressed the Government's policy that it would not grant or sell the strategically important assets to the overseas companies," he said.

He agreed with MP Heshu Withanage that it was important to set up a mechanism to allow foreign investors to get approvals and certificates under one roof before they invest here.

MP Heshu Withanage said that such a mechanism would prevent acts of corruption like those happened during the previous regimes. He said that this is much important as foreign investments have become an effective solution for developing the economy.

# Previous regime granted H'tota Port to China for 90 years to get meagre income – Minister Rohitha

The revenue that the country would earn during the next 99 years by granting the Hambantota Port to China by the previous Good Governance Government have been estimated as Rs 18.5 million, Ports and Shipping Minister Rohitha Abeygunawardena yesterday said in Parliament.

agree with our conditions. The Minister said that the Government has decided to develop the Western Terminal.



He was responding on the invitation of State Minister Ajith Nivard Cabraal, to MP Heshu Withanage.

He said that the previous UNP Government granted the Hambantota Port for such a meagre income and it has given nothing for the country.

"Those who were silent then are speaking today on a groundless issue regarding the Eastern Terminal. He said that an employee and a media person were assaulted during a protest during the previous regime. He said that the Cabinet has already decided to operate the Eastern Terminal through the Sri Lanka Ports Authority (SLPA).

The Minister said that the former UNP government had granted not only the Port but also another 1,188 hectares to the Chinese Company for 99 years.

He said that the former government had entered into two agreements with India and Japan on operation of the Eastern Terminal. He said that those agreements cannot be terminated soon since they did not

## Expression of Gratitude

**Dr. Neville Fernando (1931 - 2021)**

We the immediate family members of late Dr Neville Fernando would like to express our most heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all those who supported us during his brief illness and in the days that followed. We are particularly grateful to:

- Dr. Ananda Wijewickrama, Senior Consultant Physician at IDH, Dr. Randula Samarasinghe Consultant Physician at NFTH, Dr. Bimantha Gunasekara, Dr. Lakshan Fernando, Medical Consultants, Medical Officers, Nursing, Paramedical and Ancillary staff of IDH and Dr. Neville Fernando Hospital (NFTH) for the medical attention and treatment provided to him during his period of illness
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- All other Medical Consultants who had been treating late Dr. Fernando throughout
- Senior management and staff of JF&I packaging Ltd
- Parents, former students and former staff of SAIM
- Relatives, friends, neighbors and all other well-wishers in Sri Lanka and overseas

We are thankful for your assistance, kind expressions of sympathy, prayers, telephone calls and thoughtful deeds that we the family received during our time of bereavement.

Mrs. Swarnamali Fernando - wife of late Dr. Neville Fernando and his Children  
Naomal Fernando & Geetha Fernando, Sharmalee Jayatilake & Dr. Mohan Jayatilake,  
Dr. Devaka Fernando and Dr. Dilmini Fernando,  
Dr. Krishantha Fernando & Dr. Neelija Fernando, grand children and great grand children.

# PMB will buy 300,00 tonnes of paddy directly from farmers – Minister Aluthgamage

Agriculture Minister Mahindananda Aluthgamage said in Parliament yesterday that for the first time in the history of Sri Lanka, 300,000 metric tonnes of paddy will be bought directly by the Paddy Marketing Board (PMB) during the Maha season. Minister Aluthgamage said that Rs. 16,000 million has been allocated in this regard.



during the previous Yahapalana regime.

A number of discrepancies had occurred when buying paddy during the last season and although money was given to buy paddy through the Government Agent, it has not been collected properly, Minister Aluthgamage said.

"We have inspected the Economic Centres recently. Thereafter, we decided to provide stalls at the Centres for farmers to sell their vegetables without a mediator," the Minister said.

Minister Aluthgamage was responding to a question by Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) MP Thushara Indunil during the Oral Question Round. He said that a very systematic programme has been set up to buy paddy to protect the farmer, PMB and the consumer.

Minister Aluthgamage said that he believed the Board could buy around 500,000 metric tonnes of paddy, not 300,000 metric tonnes. He assured that there will not be any fraud while paddy is bought.

He said that a number of corrupt transactions have

taken place at institutions including at Sathosa that are affiliated to the Ministry

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**Super Jackpot**

**Rs. 3,994,815/-**

Winning Numbers

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## A question of security

A lot of hot air was let off by the Opposition in Parliament on Wednesday over the withdrawal of the special security provided to TNA MP M.A. Sumanthiran following the latter's participation in a protest march in the North in defiance of a police and Court order. It was the contention of Law and Order Minister Rear Admiral (Ret.) Sarath Weerasekera that he cannot permit the police officers guarding the MP to be demeaned and look silly by making them continue to protect the latter who was clearly acting in defiance of a police order. It certainly would have looked funny indeed if the police guarding Sumanthiran, at the time of the protest march, were to confront their own colleagues who were trying to explain to the MP and Co. that they were acting against a police order which technically would have amounted to a Home and Home match.

Needless to say the entire police service would have been reduced to a laughing stock in the eyes of the public if that had been the case. Hence, the Minister could not have been faulted for acting the way he did by immediately withdrawing the special security contingent deployed to protect Sumanthiran who was said to be under a death threat. It was the foremost duty, as Law and Order Minister entrusted with overseeing the police service, for Rear Admiral Weerasekera to stand by his men in upholding their honour and dignity.

But from the way the Opposition conducted itself, it was apparent that they had failed to cotton on to this reality and was only harping on the security threat to the TNA MP in the wake of the withdrawal of his special security (his normal security is intact). However, as rightly argued by the Minister, what was borne out by the MP mingling among thousands of protestors during the agitation was the fact that he had no threat and in any event the MP should not have participated in such a mass agitation if indeed he was under a death threat. There was also the scant regard for the health guidelines introduced post Coronavirus by a lawmaker, who should be showing the way to others by example.

Sumanthiran's case typifies the bogus security threats cited by MPs from time to time as a means of demanding extra security from the State as an ego-boosting exercise and to aggrandize themselves before the public. This should open the eyes of the authorities to the *modus operandi* adopted by MPs and other 'VIPs' to avail themselves of additional security which is a ruse in order to remain in the spotlight. In fact, Rear Admiral Weerasekera recently declared that all extra security provided to MPs would be withdrawn and that security details henceforth would only be in proportion to threat assessment on the MP or VIPs concerned. He also enjoined all police personnel providing security to MPs not to engage in tasks other than what they have been strictly entrusted with. This no doubt follows media reports in the past of police officers guarding MPs and Ministers being forced to engage in work outside their main duties such as domestic chores.

Rear Admiral Weerasekera may have also been influenced in his current action by the fact that Sumanthiran had also been attending events in the North that are sympathetic towards the LTTE, with the police security provided by the State, in tow. As a former Navy Commander who was in the thick of battles against the LTTE, it certainly must have rankled him to see that a MP who shows open sympathy towards the LTTE, which killed hundreds of police officers, receiving special police protection, in a classic twist of irony. The Rear Admiral's sentiments in this regard were given full play the other day when he declared that legislation would be brought soon to ban any espousal of the cause of the LTTE in Parliament or any mention of Prabhakaran in the House. This was on the basis that the LTTE was a banned organization and Prabhakaran a terrorist leader. As the Minister pointed out Germany has totally banned any vestiges of Hitlerism in the country and any glorification of the Third Reich.

Sumanthiran says should any harm befall him the Minister should be held totally responsible. Such sweeping declarations have been made by MPs even in the past particularly during the height of the second JVP uprising when the late Ranjan Wijeratne was at the helm of national security and at times slashed the security of certain Members of the Opposition. Government and Opposition MPs have called for the full restoration of the TNA MP's special security. Since Minister Weerasekera has already expressed his opinion that the MP, after all, could not be under a death threat if the latter could freely mingle with thousands of protesters, a fresh threat assessment ought to be made to ascertain if indeed this was case and if not, Sumanthiran could be accorded the special protection demanded by MPs across the floor.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

At the end of the day, the goals are simple: safety and security. - Jodi Rell

# Towards eradicating Digital Poverty

## LAPTOPS ON CONCESSIONARY TERMS TO STUDENTS

Sugeeswara Senadhira



It is a universally accepted fact that use of information technological tools for education would vastly improve students' capacity to gather knowledge. Although current levels of access to laptops, computers and Internet connections among schoolchildren are very high in affluent countries, access is not evenly distributed across countries or across the population within countries. Less than one fifth of schoolchildren in Sri Lanka have access to a computer at home that they can use for schoolwork.

According to computer literacy statistics for 2019 issued by the Department of Census and Statistics, in Sri Lanka at least one computer is available in 22 percent of households in the country. That is about one out of every five households owns either a desktop or a laptop computer. This percentage is 38 percent in the urban sector, but in rural and estate sectors it is 19.7 percent and 4.6 percent respectively. There is a vast gap between the developed and underdeveloped regions. When the provinces are considered the highest availability is in the Western Province (34.3 percent) while the lowest availability is reported from the Uva (11.8 percent).

### DIGITAL DIVIDE

The disparities in access to home computers and the Internet are known as the Digital Divide. A substantial amount of money is spent on technology by the Government and families in developing countries with the hope of improving educational outcomes of the young generation. Despite that, the developing countries are faced with 'Digital Poverty' which is a common problem due to heavy expenses required to fortify the young population with IT capacity. Although it exists all over the world, in advanced countries it is at a manageable level. When in the United Kingdom it was decided to close schools and commence online education, it was found out that 24 percent of the students did not have computers or laptops at their homes. Matt Morden, Co-Head Teacher of Surrey Square primary school, in south London told the media that in his school, 24 percent of pupils are effectively offline, in terms of being able to study from home. "Their families might have mobile phones with internet connections, but for those in low-paid, insecure jobs, data is expensive. If families are struggling, the priority is going to be food, not data," he said. Furthermore, in addition to missing out on learning, those students without online connections miss the sense of belonging from staying in touch with their friends and teachers when they do not attend school, Morden says. "The lockdown and the closure of schools has brought the digital divide to the forefront," he added.

This revelation clearly shows the gravity of the issue for a developing nation, when affluent countries are also faced with a similar issue, though at a lower magnitude. Earlier this week, Sri Lanka took a significant forward step to assist the new batch of university students to obtain much-needed laptops in order to be equipped with knowledge on par with their compatriots in the affluent world.

The programme to provide laptops on a concessionary payment scheme to the students who are qualified to enter universities commenced under the patronage of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa. The programme has been formulated by the University Grants Commission in collaboration with People's Bank, to digitalize the entire education system to meet current needs as envisioned in the national policy framework of 'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour'.

"The 21st Century is known as the knowledge-centric century. In order to remain competitive globally, it is imperative that technology be integrated with every sector of the economy, be it agriculture, industry or the service sector. It is imperative that we invest strategically in new technologies and integrate such innovations with our education system, and economy. In order to enhance the quality of life of our people, we must launch a massive social transformation and create a Culture of Technological Innovation." - Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour.

### GOVERNMENT POLICY

The newly-introduced loan scheme gives students the opportunity to buy a laptop, which will be equipped with an Internet connection, software package and a four-year warranty period. A laptop is valued at Rs. 80,000. During their university education, the students are required to pay Rs. 500 monthly. This is an affordable amount as most university students get a Government grant under the Mahapola Scholarship Scheme introduced by the late minister Lalith Athulathmudali. The loan scheme gives students the opportunity to settle the payment within six years following their employment. People's Bank has allocated Rs. 3 billion for this project.

President Rajapaksa symbolically handed over relevant documents to six new students who will be enrolled to Universities for the academic year 2021 at the Presidential Secretariat on Tuesday (9).

This marked a significant milestone in the march towards the Information Age which is also known as Computer Age associated with the Digital Revolution, just as the Industrial Revolution marked the birth of the Industrial Age. The Digital and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) revolutions are twin revolutions. Rapid developments in ICT have greatly contributed in enhancing human living standards worldwide.

When the impacts of technology on educational outcomes are discussed, it is necessary to study two primary contexts in which technology may be used for educational purposes. Those are classroom use in schools, and home use by students. Theo-



President Gotabaya Rajapaksa presenting the laptop documents to a university student.

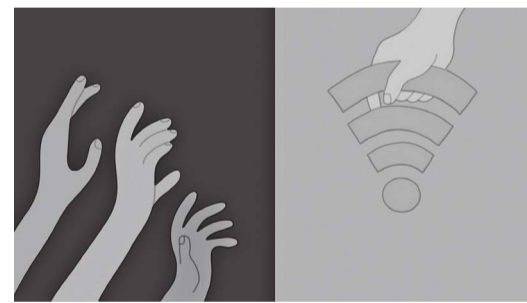
retically, computer use by schools and the use of computers at home have ambiguous implications for educational achievements as expenditures devoted to technology necessarily offset inputs that may be more or less efficient, and time allocated to using technology may displace traditional classroom instruction and educational activities at home.

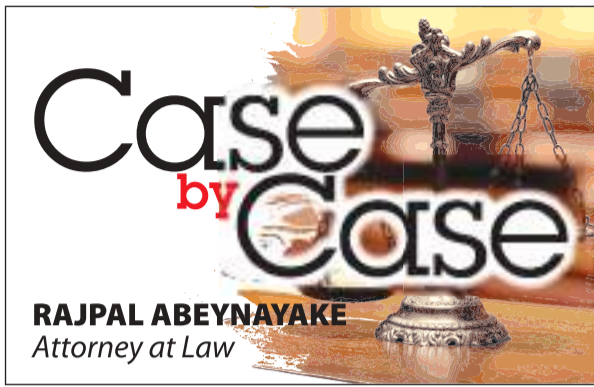
Families also spend a substantial amount of money on computers, software, and Internet connections each year. In the United States, for example, 86 percent of schoolchildren have access to a computer at home, while in some developing countries it is below 10 percent. These disparities in access to home computers and the Internet has created a yawning gap known as the Digital Divide. A better understanding of how computer technology affects educational outcomes is critical because it sheds light on whether such technology is an important input in the educational production process and whether disparities in access will translate into educational inequality. The new scheme will ensure all students, irrespective of their place of origin, will get a laptop and access to online education.

It is a fact that a substantial number of university students come from rural areas and now they will have equal educational opportunities. In the developed world, most of the key economically effective environments are increasingly ICT dominant. Timely and accurate information on use of ICT itself is essential for justification and proper direction of the Government efforts, private sector investments, to study the changing pattern of the demand for Internet services and for continuous progress monitoring on ICT achievements. For this computer literacy data can contribute immensely to an understanding of the demand and supply of skills in the global, knowledge based economy. Also statistics on the availability of a computer or laptop in households and usage of Internet and email can be used to assess the digital divide.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa fulfilled the new scheme as promised in his election manifesto to "convert all universities to Smart Learning Universities" and to provide "necessary technical support to students." As he said, now the expectation from the universities is to "produce technocrats to meet the demands of the 21st Century."

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# The burning question about ejecting a tenant

Basically it meant in the case under review, that if the plaintiff had set fire to his own house, he cannot claim that the contract has ended, because he was himself responsible for the deed.

The plaintiff wanted specific performance of the contract claiming that since the house that was the subject of the contract no longer existed, the tenant ought to be ejected. However, Court of Appeal noted in judgement that it is an accepted principle in this regard that where damages are an adequate remedy, specific performance will not be granted. (Specific performance is an equitable remedy in the law of contract, whereby a court issues an order requiring a party to perform a specific act, to complete performance of the contract. This is as opposed to granting money as damages, for instance.)

**A** tenant had the house she rented burn down. The police apparently took no action, and subsequently the landlord filed an action pleading for the ejection of the tenant because the house had completely burned down, and according to him the contract was therefore at an end. The contract provided that if its subject matter is completely destroyed the contract is at an end.

Turns out, the plaintiff, who was the subsequent appellant when the case was taken up in the Court of Appeal, had burned the house himself! (*Tikiri Banda v. Pathuma Beebe and Others - SLR - 46, Vol 3 of 1998 [1998] LKCA 51; (1998) 3 Sri LR 46 (August 17, 1998.)*)

This is how what transpired was recorded in the Appeal Court judgement.

"The plaintiff-appellant instituted action seeking a declaration of title to the land and ejection of the defendant-respondents therefrom. The District Judge held that the plaintiff-appellant had set fire to the house in question and observing that the house that was burnt down was renovated subject to an order made by the Rent Board which was based on the premise that there existed a building which could be repaired, dismissed the action of the plaintiff-appellant; on appeal."

In the District Court the plaintiff had contended that the witness had stated he saw one Dissanayake holding the firebrand the day the house was burned down. The plaintiff's lawyer referred to this witness statement to claim that the plaintiff hadn't burned down the house, because there was a discrepancy between the name (Dissanayake) that the witness mentioned, and the real name of the plaintiff.

The Appeal Court did not accept that argument.



This is the excerpt on the Appeal Court judgement on that aspect of the case:

"Further, attention of the witness was not drawn to this portion of the statement to enable her to explain the discrepancy. It is to be noted that section 145 (1) of the Evidence Ordinance requires that attention of a witness must be drawn to any portion of a statement which is inconsistent, to enable the witness to explain the inconsistency before such portion could be produced as a contradiction. It is regrettable that this procedure was not followed when Pathuma Beebe gave evidence in the District Court."

Apparently the police did nothing to prosecute the plaintiff for setting fire to the house, but the Court of Appeal noted in judgement that this should not detract from the fact that the plaintiff had done so. "Coming to a conclusion about the truth or otherwise of the complaint does not depend on the police attitude in not prosecuting particularly, because there was a background of 'violence against an ethnic group', the judgement went on to state.

Anyhow, the Rent Board

had allowed the tenants to repair the house after an inquiry into the matter, and the plaintiff did not present himself at the inquiry though he had been noticed to be present.

Court of Appeal cited Wille's Principles of South African Law by J.T.R. Gibson (seventh edition) in chapter XXV and held the following in judgement:

"Under contracts in general at page 377 contains the following: Where performance of the obligation by the debtor becomes impossible, either physically or legally, after the contract was made, the debtor is discharged from liability if he was prevented from performing his obligation by viz major or casus fortuitus but not if the impossibility was due to his own fault. For instance, if a house is let and it is destroyed by fire without the fault of the lessee, for example, by lightning, the lease is at an end and the lessee need pay no further rent; but if the fire is due to the negligence of the lessee, the lease continues and he remains liable for rent accruing after the fire."

In the same way, liability lies with the lessor if the fire is caused by his own doing.



In the circumstances, Court of Appeal saw no basis to interfere with the findings of the District Judge – that the plaintiff's case for ejection of tenant be dismissed – and the appeal was dismissed with costs.

Things would have turned out differently had the house caught fire and burned down accidentally.

In the leading English case of *Taylor v Caldwell* (1883) 122ER 309, Caldwell hired a music hall to Taylor. Before Taylor could arrange the first performance at the music hall, it caught fire and burnt down. Taylor claimed damages from Caldwell for the expenses he had incurred in arranging several performances. The Court held that since the destruction of the music hall had occurred without the fault of either party, the contract was frustrated and therefore both parties to the contract were discharged from their obligations. Accordingly, Caldwell was not liable to pay Taylor as demanded for breach of contract.



SOMAR WIJAYADASA

**T**he President of the United States of America, Joseph Biden, outlined his vision for America's foreign policy agenda and reiterated the need for America to strengthen its global alliances after President Donald Trump disparaged those relationships during the last four years.

Biden chose to unveil his foreign policy at the Department of State.

Foreign policies, an integral part of any national strategy, command the highest priority of all nations. As new Presidents take over, whether, in the United States or Russia or China, we look forward to examining their foreign policy views.

Since World War II, several foreign policies of superpowers did not yield expected results even though all policies and concomitant interventions came with guarantees of peace, prosperity and democracy.

History shows us that the policies in the Far East led to the devastation of Vietnam, North Korea and Laos, the policy of containment of communism, and the 45-year Cold War Policy ended the East European bloc and dismantled the Soviet Union, and the policies of pre-emptive strikes and of regime change destroyed the lives of millions of people in the Middle East.

Trump came to power describing the US foreign policy "a complete and total disaster". What he left behind is more than calamitous.

Trump's foreign policy was based on opposition to multilateralism and international institutions; his assumption that the rest of the world was taking advantage of the United States; the American allies should pay for US protection; confront foreign adversaries and eliminate them; stop China from stealing American jobs; take the US out of "bad deals" like the Paris Climate Accord and the Nuclear Agreement with Iran, and make Mexico pay for a wall on the southern border - to name a few.

Trump withdrew from the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), withdrew from the Paris Climate Accord, abrogated the Iranian Nuclear Deal, reimposed restrictions on travel and trade with Cuba (all issues championed under the Barack Obama administration).

Also, the US either withdrew from or substantially cut the funding of several United Nations agencies such as the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), ceased funding the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), blocked the appointment of judges to the World Trade Organization (WTO), withdrew from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and in the midst of the Covid-19 global crisis, Trump notified US withdrawal from the World Health Organization (WHO).

The US relations with its closest ally the Euro-

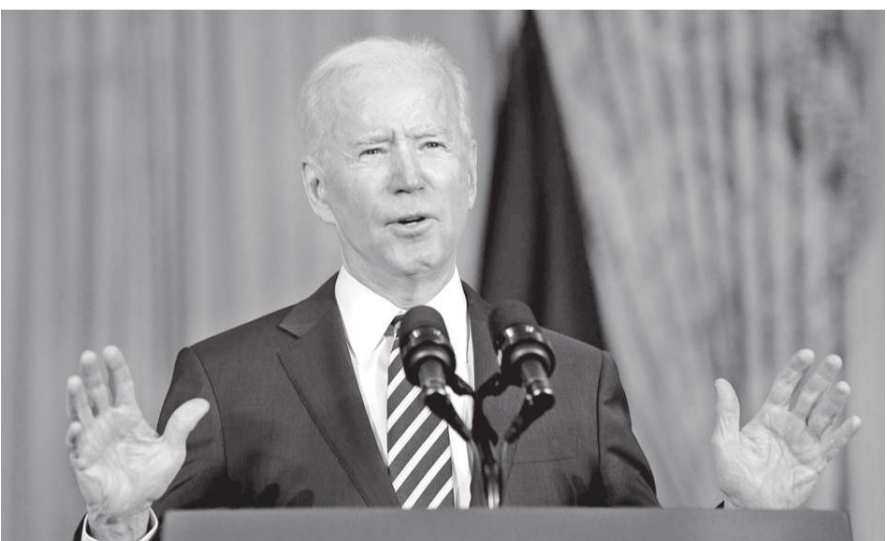
## President Biden vows to 'repair alliances, engage with the world'



President Joe Biden signs an Executive Order on rejoining the Paris Climate Accord.



There will be an intense focus on the US-China relationship in the coming years.



President Joe Biden addressing diplomats at the US Dept of State

pean Union deteriorated to the point that German Chancellor Angela Merkel's comments "Europe can no longer rely on the US to protect us", and "Europe must take its destiny in its own hands" speak for itself. The whole world knows how Trump's four-year term ended - with mounting conflicts with allies and adversaries though Trump deserves credit for not waging new foreign wars.

It is in this backdrop that President Biden has a monumental task to rebuild America's alliances around the world, enhance its long-standing good relations with the United Nations and its specialized agencies, and if possible, make peace with Russia and China.

Saying that "America is back" Biden pledged to return to diplomacy.

Before delivering his speech, he made formal remarks to State Department employees, remind-

ing them "As I said, in my inaugural address, we will repair our alliances, engage with the world once again".

American leadership must meet this moment of advancing authoritarianism, Biden said, "including the growing ambitions of China to rival the United States and the determination of Russia to damage and disrupt our democracy".

We're going to re-engage the world Biden said, and take on the enormous challenges we face dealing with the pandemic, dealing with global warming and again, standing up for democracy and human rights around the world.

Biden proudly noted that on day one, he re-joined the Paris Climate Agreement, and also re-engaged with the World Health Organization.

Biden emphasized, "We must start with diplomacy rooted in America's most cherished demo-

cratic values: defending freedom, championing opportunity, upholding universal rights, respecting the rule of law, and treating every person with dignity". During the election campaign, Biden said that he would be tougher on President Vladimir Putin than Trump, who refused to take on the Kremlin and frequently cast doubt on Russian interference in the 2016 elections.

Referring to Russia, Biden said "I made it clear to President Putin, in a manner very different from my predecessor, that the days of the United States rolling over in the face of Russia's aggressive actions - interfering with our elections, cyberattacks, poisoning its citizens - are over. We will not hesitate to raise the cost on Russia and defend our vital interests and our people. And we will be more effective in dealing with Russia when we work in coalition and coordination with other like-

minded partners". Saying that the jailing of Alexei Navalny and the Russian efforts to suppress freedom of expression and peaceful assembly are a matter of deep concern to us and the international community, Biden said "Mr. Navalny, like all Russian citizens, is entitled to his rights under the Russian constitution. He's been targeted for exposing corruption. He should be released immediately and without condition".

He expressed strong words for China as well - saying "we'll also take on directly the challenges posed by our most serious competitor, China".

But we are ready to work with Beijing, Biden said when it's in America's interest to do so. "We will compete from a position of strength by building back better at home, working with our allies and partners, renewing our role in international institutions, and reclaiming our credibility and moral authority, much of which has been lost".

With regard to frayed relations with America's allies, Biden said: "Over the past two weeks, I've spoken with the leaders of many of our closest friends to begin reforming the habits of cooperation and rebuilding the muscle of democratic alliances that have atrophied over the past few years of neglect and, I would argue, abused".

He also returned to a vision of the United States as an immigrant nation. Recognizing that there is a crisis of more than 80 million displaced people suffering around the world, Biden pledged to accept more refugees: he said he would increase the number to 125,000 a year after Trump whittled it down to 15,000.

Referring to the military takeover in Myanmar, Biden said: "The Burmese military should relinquish the power they have seized, release the advocates and activists and officials they have detained, lift the restrictions on telecommunications, and refrain from violence".

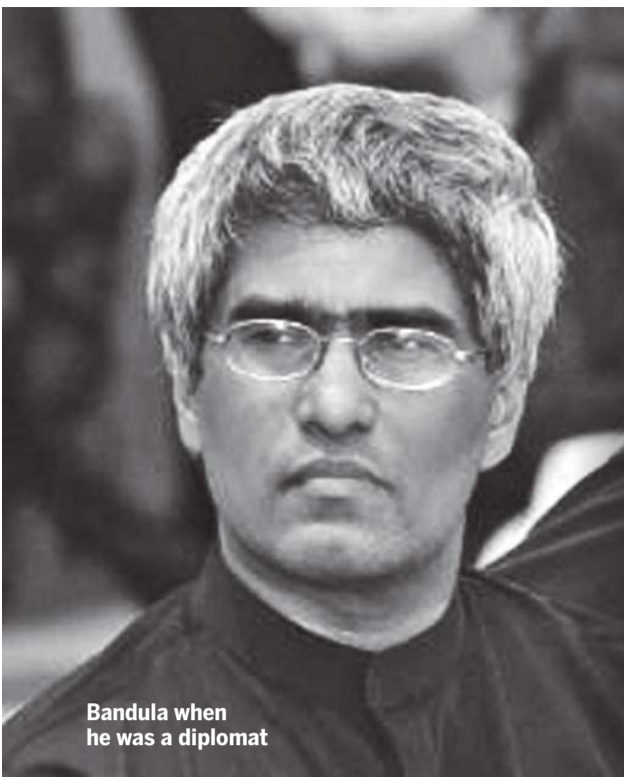
Biden promised to end the war in Yemen and ensure that humanitarian aid is reaching the Yemeni people who are suffering unendurable devastation.

To underscore our commitment, Biden said: "We are ending all American support for offensive operations in the war in Yemen, including relevant arms sales".

Time is opportune, however, for the three superpowers - US, Russia and China - to stop demonizing each other, and set an example by peacefully working together to maintain mutually beneficial relations and resolve contentious global issues as those could only be resolved mutually.

(Somar Wijayadasa, an international lawyer, was a Faculty Member of the University of Sri Lanka (1967-1973), worked in UN organizations (IAEA and FAO from 1973-1985), was a Delegate of UNESCO to the UN General Assembly from 1985-1995, and Representative of UNAIDS at the United Nations from 1995-2000.) (IDN-DepthNews)

# BANDULA JAYASEKERA: A LIFE WELL LIVED AND LOVED



Bandula when he was a diplomat

RASIKA SOMARATHN

**B**andula Jayasekera is a man of many parts. But he is mostly known for his roles as a Senior Journalist, Newspaper Editor and Diplomat. He has served as a senior journalist, a columnist for several newspapers and was the Editor-in-Chief of the *Daily News* in 2006-2007. He also served as Director General, President's Office Media Unit for some time during President Mahinda Rajapaksa's tenure and Director General (Public Communication) at the External Affairs Ministry. His last foray in media was at *Sirasa/MTV* where he worked until recently as a talk show host, including for the popular *'Pathikada'* programme.

As a diplomat he served in Australia, Canada and also as Sri Lanka's Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN in New York. Throughout his career, either as a journalist or diplomat, Jayasekera's writing and his sharp tongue attracted controversy. Those who knew him know that a battle always brought the best out of him. Jayasekera known among colleagues and friends as BJ is waging another battle today. This is unlike any he had faced before. BJ was diagnosed with Myelodysplastic Syndrome, a type of blood cancer in July 2019. His efforts for a cure have not materialized and in BJ's own words, he is now a man 'sentenced to die' as doctors have predicted that his life in this world will not go beyond July this year. BJ was known for his tireless work to achieve either his goals or visions. But in the face of death does BJ have anything more to offer, to the country, to society?

**Excerpts of an interview with Bandula Jayasekera from the Palliative Care Centre at Karapitiya Hospital, Galle:**

**BJ:** Dying is one of life's unique experiences; talking about it is difficult for some to initiate and hard for others to hear. I have suffered enough and I like to go as soon as possible. However, until I can I would like to talk about terminally ill people, raise awareness about palliative care, attract more funding and support to build facilities like the one here, a brainchild of senior Cancer Surgeon Dr. Chrysantha Perera. The facilities here are amazing and truly world class.

The doctors and other staff go beyond their official duty to make patients and family members as comfortable as possible. Unfortunately, in Sri Lanka, the focus on palliative care is minimal. Recently the Health Ministry said there is an alarming surge in the detection of cancer patients with 80 patients detected daily. Because of inadequate palliative care, the people who suffer most are from the poorer sections of the society. The rich might be able to have good facilities with their money. But what about the poor people?

This facility is truly world class and is free of charge. This is why I call Dr. Perera a living god. It is not all government money that sustains this facility. Lot of people from outside have helped by way of funding and other efforts. Dr. Perera and the medical staff have also spent their own money to keep people comfortable as well as address the needs of family members of patients. Now I am trying to raise awareness to help these efforts to sustain this facility and also come up with similar facilities elsewhere in the country. This will be my goal during the limited time I have.

**DN: Why is palliative care so important for a terminally ill patient?**

**BJ:** It is important to realize that where we die matters. Just as our living environment influences our quality of life, so does our dying environment, affecting how we and our families experience death. As a terminally ill patient, I want to have a more than dignified death, a comfortable one and that is what I expect from palliative care. It also gives family members peace of mind, because at places like this they can see how well their loved ones are taken care of. Also, the counselling available here helps both patients and family members to prepare for what is to come.

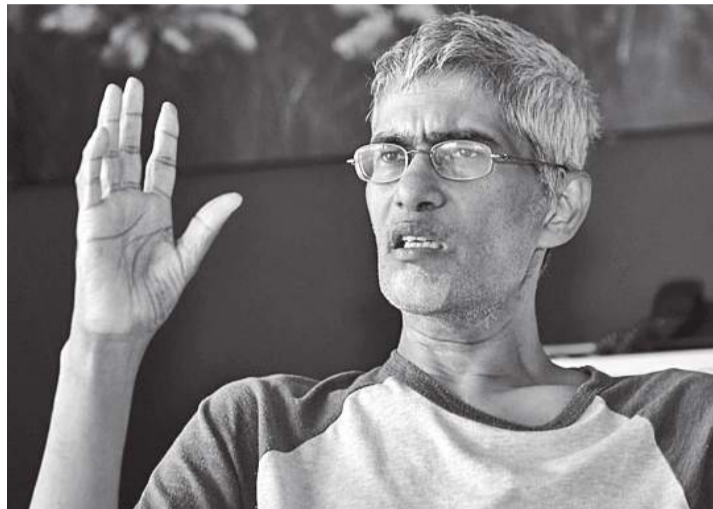
**DN: Did you have an understanding about palliative care and dedicated palliative care facilities before?**

**BJ:** I had heard about palliative care, but did not have a proper understanding. I did not know about this place either. Dr Chitra Weerakkody told me about this place and guided me. She introduced me to Dr. Chrysantha, Dr. Gihan Piyasiri and Dr. Rohan Pulleperuma. When I came to see the place for the first time, I was taken by surprise to see the beautiful and peaceful surrounding and the facilities available. However, I felt saddened too because people come here to die.

First, I stayed here for one day and then I thought I will stay for five days. As time went on, I felt very comfortable and was taken care of very well. The medical staff here try to make your death as comfortable as possible. In some overseas countries they have a lot of places like this. Thanks to Dr. Chrysantha this initiative has started and more places are coming up. But we need more. Also, outside, some doctors try to keep us alive. I appreciate their efforts, but that is suffering. They should let us go. Here, the difference is that both sides know what we are up against. So here, doctors and other medical



Bandula has nothing but praise for the doctors, nurses and other staff at the Palliative Care Centre. Pictures by Rukmal Gamage



staff try to make our death or days leading to it as comfortable as possible.

**DN: How was your cancer detected and what did you do afterwards?**

**BJ:** A friend of mine who was watching *'Pathikada'* from New York called me one day. He told me, "You are having shortness of breath. Why deny it. Go to a doctor." That is how I went to a doctor in the first place. I was diagnosed with Myelodysplastic Syndrome, a type of blood cancer in July 2019. I was told a bone marrow transplant was the only option. The doctors said it has to be done in India or Singapore. But because of infections, I opted for Singapore. I could not bear the cost so I appealed for help. Print media including papers at Lake House, electronic media, social media and friends carried my appeal. I received a lot of funding and am grateful to those who helped. Doctors in Sri Lanka were preparing me well. But unfortunately, COVID came and there was trouble in finding a donor as well. Finally, when I went to Singapore, the doctors there said it was too late, the cancer has advanced and the transplant will not help. They told me I was terminally ill.

**DN: What thoughts crossed your mind then?**

**BJ:** When doctors told me, "You are terminally ill," the question sprang to my mind. Why me? But then you have to accept it. You come to terms with it. This is what I have done. I thought about my Mother who in her small ways taught us about life and anithya (impermanence). My brother has been a tower of strength as well as my family and friends. I am not saying that I was brave. I am not brave. Now I take it one day at a time.

**DN: Now what do you do in your spare time?**

**BJ:** I try to raise awareness on the above subject as I said earlier. Now I am getting weaker and I can't write anymore. Also, I do colouring and it is keeping me occupied. A friend of mine fixed Netflix and I watch a movie at times. I watch the animals, birds who roam freely outside my window in the garden of this wonderful facility and it relaxes me.

**DN: What do you like most, being a Diplomat or a Journalist?**

**BJ:** I like both. I think in my small way I contributed to my country. I have served my nation in my small way. But I do not want to dwell on the past now. Refusing to let go prolongs life. "It is time to Let Go."

**DN: Several questions on international relations, the UN and politics go unanswered.**

**BJ:** I hardly read news now. Doctors have



Bandula when he was Editor of the *Daily News*

## What end-of-life care involves?

Consultant Oncological Surgeon Dr. Chrysantha Perera who is head of the fully-fledged Palliative Care Centre at Karapitiya Hospital, Galle, explains the need for palliative care:

"With increasing numbers of aging and terminally ill patients, our healthcare systems are now under tremendous pressure. Palliative care has long remained a pressing need in Sri Lanka and is fast becoming a vital necessity that can no longer be overlooked in the Sri Lankan health care system. This particular health care provisioning service is already at quite an advanced stage in many countries around the world, but the Sri Lankan health care sector has not yet succeeded in providing adequate palliative care service to people suffering from incurable illnesses."

"So, I decided to take a lead role in this noble endeavour to provide palliative care services to patients suffering from incurable diseases and those who are leading the last stages of their lives. This, I believe, will not only help improve the quality of care for the patients, but also assist their near and dear ones who would otherwise expend much energy, time and resources on caring for their incurable family members at great cost to themselves."

## What is palliative care?

It is a type of care for people with a life-limiting illness. Palliative care is unique in that it uses a team-oriented approach to provide quality medical care and pain management, as well as emotional and spiritual support specific to each patient. Unlike curative health care, the goal of palliative care is to help manage a patient's pain and symptoms to allow them to live their last days pain-free and with dignity. Another benefit is to provide support to family members. This is done through a variety of programmes, including support groups and counselling.



The state-of-the-art Palliative Care Centre at Karapitiya

The multidisciplinary team of palliative care specialists includes consultants, doctors, psychologists, nurses, counsellors, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, social workers, spiritual workers and volunteers.

## The Palliative Care Centre at Karapitiya

It is located adjoining the Galle Cancer Hospital and was inaugurated in 2020. The work on the project which commenced in June 2019 was completed with a cost of Rs. 70 million donated by philanthropists and

with the comprehensive labour contribution of Sri Lanka Navy.

The centre provides physical, psychological, psychosocial and spiritual care to patients with terminal illnesses.

The centre has been built with striking architectural features on a picturesque landscape with the appearance of an elegant five star hotel. It consists of individual rooms, ward rooms which can accommodate 30 patients at a time, two spacious treatment and consultation rooms, and facilities for administrative and other supplementary services.

*'As a terminally ill patient, I want to have a more than dignified death, a comfortable one and that is what I expect from palliative care. It also gives family members peace of mind, because at places like this they can see how well their loved ones are taken care of. Also, the counselling available here helps both patients and family members to prepare for what is to come.'*

advised me to get out of this clutter. I live in the moment. Trying to let go.

**DN: What about your stint as Editor of the *Daily News*?**

**BJ:** Of course, I do not dwell on the past. But the experience was valuable. I had a good team and we worked together well. When I look back, I feel happy.

**DN: Any advice for budding journalists?**

**BJ:** Get out of the internet. Don't just copy and paste. Go to the field, do research and raise awareness, give something beneficial to the society.

**DN: Any other thoughts?**

**BJ:** I think authorities should do more to help cancer patients and terminally ill patients. I do not think all roads should lead to Maharagama. At least there should be one hospital in each province dedicated to treat people with cancer. Maharagama hospital is too congested now. I have personally experienced what this can do to patients.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa called me several times. I told him we should aggressively promote bone marrow transplant in state hospitals to benefit the poor. Also, we do not have a bone marrow registry and I told him to look into that as well. He told me that he will speak to Dr. Jayantha Balawardene at KDU. I think the KDU is the best place to do that as they have the facilities and the personnel. I gave a speech recently at the KDU about my experiences as a terminally ill patient when they opened new palliative care facility. I spoke to the students of the Sabaragamuwa Medical Faculty too after a doctor invited me.

I never made money unfairly. I lived a simple life. I collected human beings who later came to my help. I have not worked for one year now. But I have a wonderful chairman who still pays my salary. He keeps my home fires burning. I know so many people who have held high positions being asked to leave after being diagnosed with terminal illness. My last appeal is to raise awareness, help improve palliative care and help medical specialists to improve the quality of life of poor terminally ill patients and their families.

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COURT NO. 107 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 160/19 HC  
COURT NO. 107 OTHERS CONTD. ....  
FOR SUPPORT  
1. 21/19 HC  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 699/09 Writ of Cert  
2. 107/19 HC  
3. 173/19 HC

HON. MENAKA WIJESUNDERA J.

HON. NEIL IDDAWALA J.

COURT NO. 204 AT 09.30 A.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 22/16 PHC WTH 24/16 PA  
2. 24/16 PA  
NOTICE RETURNABLE  
1. 20/16 PA

HON. MENAKA WIJESUNDERA J.  
HON. NEIL IDDAWALA J.

COURT NO. 204 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 186/16 PHC  
2. 101/18 PA  
NOTICE RETURNABLE  
1. 108/20 PA  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 116/16 PHC  
2. 04/17 PHC

HON. N. BANDULA KARUNARATNE (J)  
HON. R. GURUSINGHE J.

COURT NO. 205 AT 10.00 A.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 308/17 Writ of Cert  
COURT NO. 205 AT 10.00 A.M. CONTD.  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 261/14 HC  
2. 215/17 HC  
3. 231/17 HC  
4. 487/17 HC  
5. 273/18 HC  
6. 309 – 310/18 HC  
7. 387/18 HC

HON. N. BANDULA KARUNARATNE (J)  
HON. R. GURUSINGHE J.

COURT NO. 205 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 128/17 Writ of Cert  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 295/13 HC  
2. 153/14 HC  
3. 311/17 HC  
4. 47 – 48/18 HC  
5. 129/18 HC  
6. 391/18 HC

HON. DEVIKA ABEYRATNE J.  
HON. P. KUMARARATNAM J.

COURT NO. 110 AT 10.00 A.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 340 – 341/18 HC  
2. 18 – 19/20 HC  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 260/16 HC  
2. 134/18 HC

HON. DEVIKA ABEYRATNE J.  
HON. P. KUMARARATNAM J.  
COURT NO. 110 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 130/18 HC  
2. 260 – 269/18 HC  
3. 398/18 HC  
COURT NO. 110 OTHERS  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 30 – 31/17 HC  
2. 480 – 482/17 HC

HON. DEVIKA ABEYRATNE J.  
HON. SOBITHA RAJAKARUNA J.  
COURT NO. 110 AT 01.30 P.M.  
TO BE RESUMED  
1. 290/17 Writ of Cert

HON. M. T. MOHAMMED LAFFAR J.  
HON. K. K. A. V. SWARNADHIPATHI J.

COURT NO. 206 AT 10.00 A.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 521/97 (F) DC  
2. 626/11 Writ of Cert  
with TAX 11/15  
FOR SUPPORT  
1. 334/18 Writ of Cert  
2. 01/14 WKF  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 444/15 Writ of Cert

HON. M. T. MOHAMMED LAFFAR J.  
HON. K. K. A. V. SWARNADHIPATHI J.

COURT NO. 206 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 21/14 Writ of Cert  
2. 58/17 Writ of Cert  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 340 – 343/99 (F) DC  
2. 307/15 Writ of Cert  
3. 490/15 Writ of Cert  
4. 231/18 Writ of Cert

HON. DR. RUWAN FERNANDO (J)  
HON. M. SAMPATH K. B. WIJERATNE J.

COURT NO. 302  
AT 10.00 A.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 38/19 TAX  
WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS  
1. 52/19 TAX  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 03/20 TAX

HON. SOBITHA  
RAJAKARUNA J.  
HON. DHAMMIKA  
GANEPOLA J.

COURT NO. 303 OTHERS  
FOR JUDGMENT  
1. 710 – 712/99 (F) DC  
FOR SUPPORT  
1. 424/19 Writ of Cert  
2. 451/19 Writ of Cert  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 148/19 Writ of Cert

2. 360/19 Writ of Cert  
HON. D. N.  
SAMARAKOON J.  
HON. PRADEEP  
KIRTISINGHE J.  
COURT NO. 108  
AT 10.00 A.M.  
FOR SUPPORT  
1. 04/20 RII  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 01/19 RII

HON. PRASANTHA  
DE SILVA J.  
HON. S. U. B.  
KARALLIYADDE J.  
COURT NO. 109  
AT 12.30 P.M.  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 45/06 PA  
2. 01/11 PA  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 45/16 PHC  
HON. PRASANTHA DE SILVA J.  
HON. S. U. B. KARALLIYADDE J.  
COURT NO. 109 OTHERS  
TO BE MENTIONED  
1. 48/16 PHC  
2. 21/20 PA  
FOR SUPPORT  
1. 31/19 PA

NOTICE RETURNABLE  
1. 42/15 PHC  
FOR ARGUMENT  
1. 204/16 PHC  
2. 08/14 PA  
CIVIL APPEAL WESTERN  
PROVINCE (COLOMBO)  
LIST OF CASES FOR FRIDAY,  
12TH, FEBRUARY, 2021.  
HON. A.A.C.J. RAJARATHNA (H.C.J.)  
HON. R.P. HETTIARACHCHI (H.C.J.)  
(AT 10.00 A.M.)  
TO BE MENTIONED  
32/19 RA HCCA/Colombo  
LA 34/19 HCCA/Colombo  
TO BE MENTIONED CONTD..  
LA 70/20 HCCA/Colombo  
LA 93/20 HCCA/Colombo  
68/14 (F) HCCA/Colombo  
169/18 (F) HCCA/Colombo  
171/18(F) HCCA/Colombo  
41/16 (F) HCCA/Colombo  
13/17 RA HCCA/Colombo  
25/19 RA HCCA/Colombo  
04/17 (F) HCCA/Colombo  
FOR SUPPORT  
LA 79/20 HCCA/Colombo  
LA 114/19 HCCA/Colombo  
FOR ARGUMENT  
123/18 (F) HCCA/Colombo  
LA 157/19 HCCA/Colombo

NOTICE ON MISINFORMATION  
AND FAKE NEWS:



It has come to our notice that fake news and misinformation has been spreading about home quarantine services offered by our organization. Credence Genomics only offers PCR testing services through approved collectors and partner organizations. Quarantine and isolation must be conducted as per norms and guidelines of the Ministry of Health, and other relevant authorities.

Dr. Sarath Paranavithane  
President - COVID Diagnostics Centre



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**TAX TIME**

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS  
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**LAST DATE OF SUBMITTING WITHOUT PENALTY IS**  
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# A TRIBUTE TO FALLEN BUDDIES

## “GONE, YET NOT FORGOTTEN”



cadets were commissioned on completion of their training after one year and six months. The GD/P cadets were commissioned subsequently, after completing their flying training.

Our career progression was made in the respective branches with time. Each of us chose the furtherance of the career advancement and some left the service due to various reasons at different times. Let me proudly share the six (06) of us, who were members of the Air Force Board of Management (AFBM) at the zenith and held esteemed appointments of the Commander, the Chief of Staff, the Deputy Chief of Staff, and Directors. A total of eight reached the air ranks of Air Commodore (one star), Air Vice Marshal (two-star), and Air Chief Marshal (four-star).

Our intake comprised individuals unique in their own character with many talents but, fitted well with strong solidarity within the intake. Our good friendship was like stars. You don't always see them, but you know that they are always there in each other's minds. As batch mates, we talked to each other and spent time together. Also, we trusted



The first to depart was **Squadron Leader CK Hulangamuwa (Regiment)** on the 5th of May in 1990. The untimely death occurred when he was onboard a Bell 212 helicopter as an observer in pursuit of a group that vandalized a tourist resort in Sigiriya and the helicopter crashed killing all on board.

one another and helped each other in difficulties. Further, we were considered as a very united and closely knit family with a strong sense of solidarity. The intake family became extended with each of us entering into matrimony.

The spouses have kept the linkage stronger and never missed our regular socializing. Our annual reunion was a calendar happening that was never overlooked.

When we walk down the memory lane out of the thirty-one (31), four (04) were Killed in Action (KIA) while performing active duty and four (04) others have departed forever due to other reasons as of date.



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The other batch mates who have departed forever are **Flight Lieutenant Asoka Fernando (Aeronautical Engineer)** who succumbed to injury in a motor car accident whilst serving, **Group Captain Romesh Fernando (Logistics)**, **Squadron Leader Nihal Kodithuwakku (Civil Engineering)**, and **Air Commodore Senaka Angulugaha (Logistics)** met with their demises due to health reasons after their retirement.

On the 12th of February 2021, we celebrate forty (40) years since we joined the Sri Lanka Air Force in 1981, as the 9th intake of Officer Cadets. We did our basic combat training at Diyathalawa and had a total of 31 cadets and 01 student officer all from leading schools. During the initial weeks of training, one of the Cadets opted to leave as he was selected to the Kothalawala Defense Academy and the remaining continued with the training. By this time, all of the Cadets were allocated to branches that encompassed a majority of the disciplines for the first time in a single intake. Further, our intake was considered a large one since the 1st intake at that time, as the number was

greater. Also, we were considered as a notorious intake for our mischief and discipline as per the Air Force standards. The intake comprised avid sportsmen that excelled in cricket, rugby, basketball, and hockey who represented the Air Force and some of the sports at the national level.

After completing our basic combat training at Diyathalawa, we were posted to the Air Force Academy China-Bay for our branch training, and the regiment cadets remained at Diyathalawa and continued in their branch training. Besides, five cadets pursued tertiary education as their branch training externally.

Other than the General Duties Pilots (GD/P) branch cadets, the other branch

hard to believe that years have passed by since we said good-bye to them but, couldn't let this anniversary go by without sharing our sentiments for them. We still remember the good times with our loyal companion, friend, and batch mate.

In conclusion, we pause and salute all the batch mates who shed sweat, tears, together with their families,

and finally blood for the benefit of the Air Force and paid the supreme sacrifice to protect our motherland.

**Air Chief Marshal Gagan Bulathsinghala RWP, RSP, VSV, USP, MPhil, MSc, FIM (SL), ndc, psc**  
Former Commander of the Sri Lanka Air Force and Sri Lankan Ambassador to Afghanistan.

**NOTICE**  
MINISTRY OF PLANTATION

**SRI LANKA TEA BOARD**  
Tea Commissioner's Division

**Raigam Korale "Tea Shakthi" Tea Factory - MF 1481**  
Poruwadanda, Maputugala, Horana

**PAYMENT OF ARREARS OF GREEN LEAVES**

Owners of Green Leaves supplies are hereby informed to make arrangements to submit to the Baduraliya Regional Office of Sri Lanka Tea Board at or before 10th March 2021, details of supply of Green Leaves with documents, from those who have not received payment for the supply of Green Leaves to the Raigam Korale "Tea Shakthi" Tea Factory (MF 1481) for the months :

December 2015, January 2016, May, June, July 2017, December 2018 and for January, February, March 2019.

**Office address:** Asst. Tea Commissioner  
Sri Lanka Tea Board  
Regional Office,  
Wathurana Road, Baduraliya.

Tel/Fax No: 034-2247444

As the final payment documents will be prepared according to the response received to this notice, applications / requests received after 10th March 2021 will not be considered.

Tea Commissioner  
**Sri Lanka Tea Board**  
No. 574, Galle Road,  
Colombo 03.

**NOTICE**  
APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE UNDER SECTION 34 OF THE COMPANIES ACT NO. 07 OF 2007

In terms of Section 34 of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007 an application has been made to the Registrar General of Companies for a License directing an Association about to be formed under the name and style "DIRECT SELLERS ASSOCIATION" to be registered with limited liability without the word "LIMITED" to its name.

The Objects for which the Association is proposed to be established are;

(a) To set up and establish an association composed of persons who are engaged in Direct Selling in Sri Lanka, and to represent those persons in meeting matters which affect or concern their collective interests as Members of the Association.

(b) To aid, foster, develop, support and to facilitate the improvement of the Direct Selling activities in Sri Lanka.

(c) To promote and strengthen the Association and relationship among the Members of the Association and to serve as a forum for discussing and resolving issues relating to and concerning the Direct Selling activities in Sri Lanka.

(d) To make representations to the Government Authorities, Ministries and other statutory bodies for the formulation and implementation of policies relating to and concerning the Direct Selling activities in Sri Lanka.

The other provisions of the Association are set out in the Articles of Association, a copy of which may be inspected at No. 14, Castle Lane, Colombo 04.

NOTICE is hereby given that any person, company or corporation objecting to this application may bring such objection within 21 days from the date of this publication by a letter addressed to the Registrar General of Companies, "Sarvagani Madura", No.489, D.K. Wijewardena Mawatha, Colombo 18.

18<sup>th</sup> February 2021. C.A.S Corporate Services (Pvt) Ltd  
Company Secretaries

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**SRI LANKA TELECOM TENDER NOTICE**

**TENDER FOR OBTAINING PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SOLAR ENERGY FROM INVESTMENT PARTNER/S FOR SRI LANKA TELECOM PLC**

(Tender No: L/0509/2020)

Tenders for the captioned subject will be accepted by the undersigned, up to 14:00 hrs on 02nd March 2021.

Tender documents could be obtained via e-mail during office hours commencing from 09:00 hrs. on 12th February 2021, till 7 working days from the date of publishing of this tender by producing duly signed Non-Disclosure Agreement AND the receipt obtained after payment of the non-refundable Tender Fee of Rs 1,000.00 + VAT to any teleshop or cash counter of Sri Lanka Telecom PLC.

Tenderers should upload their proposal to SLT iSupplier portal, an online tendering system of SLT PLC, on or before 14:00 hrs on 02nd March 2021. Tenders will be opened electronically through the system immediately thereafter and acceptance of the bid will be notified to bidders via iSupplier portal itself.

For further details regarding Non-refundable deposit, Non-Disclosure Agreement, collecting of tender documents and online bidding please call during office hours, at 011-3090653

**CHAIRMAN - SENIOR TENDER BOARD**  
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**Rs. 2,000,000.00 PRIZES 02** **Rs.1,000,000.00 PRIZES 02** **Rs. 100 000 00 PRIZES 29**

**MAHAJANA SAMPATHA**  
DRAW NUMBER : 4394 OFFICIAL RESULTS

DATE: 10-02-2021

WINNING LETTER **K** WINNING NUMBERS **2 7 7 9 1 6**

Prize structure - from right to left

Prize	Winning Numbers	Rs.	No. of winners
1st Prize	2 7 7 9 1 6	2,000,000/-	02
2nd Prize	7 7 9 1 6	100,000/-	12
3rd Prize	7 9 1 6	10,000/-	128
4th Prize	9 1 6	1,000/-	1,281
5th Prize	1 6	100/-	12,619
6th Prize	6	20/-	125,205

Prize structure - from left to right

Prize	Winning Numbers	Rs.	No. of winners
7th Prize	2 7 7 9 1	10,000/-	08
8th Prize	2 7 7 9	1,000/-	137
9th Prize	2 7 7	100/-	1,232
10th Prize	2 7	50/-	12,525
11th Prize	K	20/-	50,137

Value of prizes won in this draw - Rs.13,496,190.00

The Super Prize of next draw **Rs. 13,066,745.00**

**National Lotteries Board**  
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**Govisetha**  
OFFICIAL RESULTS

DRAW NUMBER 2689 DRAW DATE 2021/02/10

ENGLISH LETTER WINNING NUMBERS **A 02 06 09 69**

Prize	IF ALL 4 NUMBERS CORRECT	Rs.	NO. OF WINNERS
1 PRIZE	IF ALL 4 NUMBERS CORRECT	1,000,000.00	01
2 PRIZE	IF LETTER & ANY 3 NUMBERS CORRECT	100,000.00	08
3 PRIZE	IF ANY 3 NUMBERS CORRECT	2,000.00	186
4 PRIZE	IF LETTER & ANY 2 NUMBERS CORRECT	1,000.00	396
5 PRIZE	IF ANY 2 NUMBERS CORRECT	100.00	9,960
6 PRIZE	IF LETTER & ANY NUMBER CORRECT	40.00	6,586
7 PRIZE	IF ANY NUMBER CORRECT	20.00	164,362
8 PRIZE	IF ONLY THE LETTER IS CORRECT	20.00	29,829

TOTAL WINNERS OF THIS DRAW **211,328**

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY WON IN THIS DRAW **Rs. 7,711,260.00**

SUPER PRIZE FOR THE NEXT DRAW **Rs. 62,021,537.60**

Winning tickets are valid for a period of six months from the date of the draw. Prizes over Rs. 500,000/- are liable to government tax rates. To obtain prizes, Presenting National Identity card is a must.

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OFFICIAL RESULTS

Draw No 1095 Date 2021.02.10

Winning Letter **k**

Winning Numbers **7 7 5 4 1 9**

Right to Left Prize Structures

Prize	Winning Numbers	Rs.	Prizes
01 Prize	7 7 5 4 1 9	2,000,000.00	01
02 Prize	7 7 5 4 1 9	100,000.00	08
03 Prize	5 4 1 9	10,000.00	29
04 Prize	4 1 9	1,000.00	267
05 Prize	1 9	50.00	2,670
06 Prize	9	20.00	25,807

Left to Right Prize Structures

Prize	Winning Numbers	Rs.	Prizes
07 Prize	7 7 5 4 1	10,000.00	01
08 Prize	7 7 5 4	1,000.00	38
09 Prize	7 7 5	100.00	268
10 Prize	7 7	50.00	2,675
11 Prize	K	20.00	11,830
12 Prize	Winning the 4 numbers in any order	200.00	111

Total Prizes Won in This Draw **Rs.1,973,990.00**

Winning Ticket will be valid only for 6 months from the date of draw. Prizes of and above Rupees 5 Lakhs are bound to government tax rates. Producing the National Identity Card is a must when collecting the prizes.

Next WEDNESDAY Super Prize **Rs. 14,512,899.00**

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**Mega Power**  
DRAW NUMBER : 761 OFFICIAL RESULTS

DATE: 2021.02.10

English Letter **M** Winning Numbers **08 10 18 29 63**

Prize Structure	Prize Money	No. of winners
1st Prize: If all 4 numbers are correct	1,000,000.00	01
2nd Prize: If only 3 numbers with English Letter is correct	100,000.00	04
3rd Prize: If all 3 numbers are correct	1,000.00	102
4th Prize: If only 2 numbers with English Letter is correct	500.00	109
5th Prize: If only 1 number with English Letter is correct	40.00	3,184
6th Prize: Only 1 number are correct	20.00	80,164
7th Prize: Only English Letter are correct	20.00	14,681

Next MEGA SUPER PRIZE **Rs. 65,675,274.80**

Next POWER SUPER PRIZE **Rs. 20,475,263.20**

Next GRAND SUPER PRIZE **Rs. 32,406,836.00**

Total Prizes Won in This Draw **Rs. 4,114,060.00**

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**DHANA NIDHANAYA**  
Official Results

Date - 2021/02/10

Draw Number - 431

English Letter **H** Winning Number **06 11 13 57**

Prize	CONVECTION	PRIZE	NO. OF WINNERS
1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	If all 4 numbers are correct	Rs. 1,000,000.00	-
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	If English Letter and 3 numbers are correct	Rs. 100,000.00	02
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	If any 3 numbers are correct	Rs. 3,000.00	103
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize	If English Letter and 2 numbers are correct	Rs. 1,000.00	216
5 <sup>th</sup> Prize	If any 2 numbers are correct	Rs. 100.00	5,411
6 <sup>th</sup> Prize	If English Letter and 1 number is correct	Rs. 60.00	3,746
7 <sup>th</sup> Prize	If 1 number is correct	Rs. 20.00	92,446
8 <sup>th</sup> Prize	If only English Letter is correct	Rs. 20.00	17,366

Total prize money won in this draw Rs. 3,687,106.00  
Number of Prize Winners in this draw 119,290

Next Draw Super Prize **81,021,171.20**

Prizes of over Rs. 5 Lakhs are subject to the government tax regulations  
Winners must produce National Identity Card to receive prizes.  
Winning tickets are valid from the draw for a period of 6 months only.

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# Ashean Karthelis the cager and rugby star

ALTHAF NAWAZ

To play in several positions in the game of rugby, one should be blessed with extra ordinary talent and skills while competing in matches. Ashean Karthelis was one of them who turned out to be a prolific player while handling the oval shaped ball as a prop forward, flanker and lock forward from the time he donned the jersey from school level until he represented the country at international competitions maturing as a prominent player in the rugby arena.

Ashean was born in 1985 and his father was late Asiri Karthelis and mother is Jayasika Fernando. He has one sister Menali and grew up in the town of Moratuwa. He was enrolled at S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia from his primary education in 1991 and engaged in higher studies until 2004, when he left school.

While having a profound academic career, he had a liking for sports from his younger days. As a result, he started off playing basketball at school. But taking up to rugby was a coincidence, when he participated in the inter-house matches as a wing three quarter in under-13 age category. Until such time he never played rugby.

However, he blossomed out as a quality player and ended up playing in the college first XV rugby team for four years from 2001 to 2004. He ended up captaining the college rugby team in 2003 before his penultimate year in college 2004. He was a fourth year coloursman in College Rugby from 2001 to 2004 for which he was awarded the college colours and also for Basketball and Cadeting as Senior Corporal of the College Cadet Platoon.

The year 2001 was a phenomenal one in his rugby career, when their coach Nimal Lewke (head coach at STC) spotted him while he was playing for the under-17 team for the first year and due to his exceptional skills in winning line outs outjumping the opponents with his unstinted skills in ball handling, resulted him been requested to occupy the wing three quarter position. He was later called to lock horns in the first XV team led by Jivan Goonetilleke in 2001 after engaging in just three games. In his first appearance for that team, where he played the last ten minutes, he was able to score a try as a wing three quarter. Ever since that until his last day at school, he established a regular place both in sevens and XV's rugby



Ashean Karthelis reacts after scoring a try against Scotland on day two at the Cathay Pacific/Credit Suisse Hong Kong Rugby Sevens in 2007.

teams, playing in the position of Prop (7's) and Flanker, Second-row (XV's).

Some of the best memories of school rugby as a captain was winning the 'Canon R. S. De Saram Trophy' winning 27 - 10 against Trinity (he scored a hat-trick of tries in that game), defeating St. Anthony's College 24 - nil in Nittawela, winning the traditional trophy games against Trinity, St. Peter's and St. Joseph's College, Colombo only losing to Royal 6-17 while becoming runners-up in the President's Trophy losing 22 - 24 to Kingswood College, Kandy.

He went on to annex several awards at college level for his leadership roles. He was awarded the Best all-round Sportsman in 2003, Best Ruggierite of the Season in 2004,

Winning the Best Defensive Player at the Inaugural Royal-Thomian Basketball match for the D. S. Senanayake Trophy in 2003. He was appointed College Prefect in 2003. As a school-boy ruggierite he represented under-19 Sri Lanka Schools Team in 2002 in Hong Kong and 2003 in Malaysia.

After his remarkable school rugby career, he was invited to play for CR and FC in 2004 and went on to compete for them until 2010.

He mostly played as a flanker and second row forward in XV's and in the front row as a prop in the sevens arena.

He went onto to captain the Longden Place club in 2009 where they ended up the League and knock-out tournament runners-up. He opted to take a three year break due to personal reasons and made a comeback in 2012 to play for Havelock Sports Club, where they emerged League Champions by beating Kandy Sports Club by 50 points to 19 on their ground, where he was instrumental in scoring the final try to reach the half century mark, which he rates as an unblemished memory.

While playing at CR he was entrusted to lead the President's XV's rugby team in 2009.

His National career with the Sri Lanka team started by representing the Sevens Rugby team in 2006 at the Asian Games in Doha.

Ever since that tournament, he established a regular position national team in both formats of the game, the sevens and XV's till 2009/10 season by playing in his usual positions as second-row (mostly) and Flanker and as Prop in sevens. He has some significant sevens tournament memories beginning from 2007 at Hong Kong Sevens where he went on to score two tries against Scotland and a try against Kenya. He also scored a try at the 2008 Hong Kong Sevens against France and has a rare distinction scoring four tries in the Hong Kong sevens tournament. He also led the Sri Lanka sevens team in 2009 at the Shanghai Sevens in China and was awarded the National Sporting Honours for Rugby in 2008.

He started working at HSBC and ended up as Country Director of AIA for Sri Lanka and Maldives. Currently he is engaged as a Corporate and Business Consultant and Executive Leadership Coaching.

He is married to Dulani Batapola former banker and has a four year old son Aiden.

## Shanil Akarsha an outstanding gymnast

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Kandy Sports special Corr.

Shanil Akarsha Perera is a Grade 11 student of S. T. Sylvester's College, Kandy and is a talented gymnast who has been appointed as the captain of the school gymnastic team for the year 2021. He started gymnastics under the coaching of Amal Rasanga, an old boy of the school and a Level One International Coach who has produced many gymnasts for a long time.

Shanil started gymnastics in 2011 when he was six years old and in the following year 2012 as a debutant he became first in Floor exercise and third in Vault at the Central Province Meet and at the District Meet again he ended up second in Floor exercise and Vault.

In 2013 he emerged first in Floor and second in Vault at the District Meet.

Shanil gained more experience in gymnastics when he participated at the Junior National Meet held in the year 2015 and finished fourth in Vault and at the XLI National Festival he ended up third in Floor event. He secured the second place in Floor exercise and Vault at the Kandy District Novices Championship.

In 2016 and 2017 his victories were much more and at first he won the Vault event at the Junior National Meet in 2016 and won the third place in Vault event at the Kandy District Gymnastic Championship. He ended up second in High Bar, Floor and Vault at the Provincial Gymnastic Competition and secured second in both Vault and Floor events at the Junior Nationals. He came third in Vault at the All Island Games in the same year and emerged first in Floor, second in Vault and third in High Bar events.

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Shanil Akarsha with his Gymnastic Coach, Amal Rasanga. Picture by Upananda Jayasundera-Kandy Sports spl.Corr

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In the year 2018 he continued participating in gymnastic competitions for the seventh successive year and in the same year became first in Floor, second in Rings and third in both Parallel Bar and Vault events. At the All Island School Games he secured third in Vault and at the XLIV National Sports Festival he emerged second in Floor event.

The year 2019 was an year full of success when he continued gymnastic for the eighth successive year at the Sri Lanka Junior Championship and came second in Vault. He secured the first place in Floor and second in Pommel Horse and third in Parallel Bar and Rings at the Junior Nationals and again in 2019

at the Artistic Gymnastics Meet he became first in Floor and Vault and became the Runner-up of the Meet. At the XIV National Sports Festival he emerged first in High bar and Floor and third in Pommel Horse and vault events. In 2020 he participated at the Sports Festival and secured the first place in Floor and Vault and second in Parallel Bar, Rings and High Bar and third in Pommel Horse events and at the 46th National Sports Festival he was placed second in Floor and Vault events.

Shanil Akarsha's intention is to represent Sri Lanka at International Competitions and he is thankful to his Coach Amal Rasanga who is an International Level one Coach for training him to come upto this standard.

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nayake Jason Dissanayake and Kavindu Perera who have donned the Sri Lanka jersey with distinction.

## Uthpala - karateka par excellence

DILWIN MENDIS  
Moratuwa Sports Special Correspondent

Karate Black Belt Holder, Kumite and Kata Gold Medalist 15 year old Uthpala Kavindi Chandrapala brought honour and fame to her Alma Mater Sandalankawa Central College. Uthpala's first school was Napokuna Junior School Giriulla and she entered that school in 2010 and during that period the Principal was Chinthaka Ratnasuriya and her first class teacher was Miss. Ruwini and from there she shifted to Sandalankawa Central in 2015 and during this period she did not take an interest in sports activities and her parents Madhawa Rukshan Chandrapala and Anusha Shiromi admitted their daughter to Karate ISKU Academy and she came under coach Sugath Kumara at the age of eight



Uthpala Kavindi Chandrapala is seen here with her medals

years. In 2013 as an under eight competitor she participated at the Japan Gimaha Shotokan Karate Championship and won a Bronze Medal. In the same year taking part in the under nine age group at the All Ceylon Keiyyu Kai Karate Federation Championship she won a Silver in Kumite and again in the same year participating at the

UKF International Meet she won a Gold for Kumite and a Gold in Kata and in the All Island Gimaha Kata Championship she got a Silver Medal In 2018 as an under 15 competitor she won a Gold for Kumite and a Silver for Kata at the First Champions Trophy Karate Championship and at the 6th Kurunegala District under 13

Karate Championship she got a Gold Medal. Taking part in the North Western Karate Championship she won a Gold in Kumite and at the 5th Open International Semi Contact Shotokan Karate Championship she won a Bronze in Kumite. In 2019 as an under 15 competitor she won Golds for Kumite and Kata and at the Gaeteno Pisanu Open International Tournament she carried away the Gold for Kumite and a Silver for Kata.

Same year as an under 15 player she won a Silver at the Sri Lanka Karate Friends Federation Open Meet and at the 28th North Western School Games she grabbed a Silver in Kumite. In 2018 taking part in the All Island Ministry of Education Meet she collected a Bronze in Kumite in the under 15 age category.

## VB star Padman promoted as Air Commodore



DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

Former Royal College Volleyball skipper Padman de Costa has been promoted as Air Commodore of the Sri Lanka Air Force. Costa the talented spiker was able

to lead all age group of the college volleyball teams and was awarded college colours for two years.

He has won SLAF and Defence Services Colours for Volleyball and functioned as the Secretary of Air Force Sports Council and Defence Services Sports Board.

He is also an active member of the National Volleyball Federation and has rendered yeoman service to promote the game in the country.

Padman is the first in Sri Lankan military history to be appointed to the World Military Sports Council, when he was appointed to its Volleyball and Beach VB Committee in 2017.

## Sri Lankan Olympic stars of yesteryear

### Allan Smith was a versatile diver at 1952 Helsinki Games

Norman Allan Smith participated in the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki, Finland in the men's diving events following a successful swimming career at S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia.

He developed a liking to diving competitions and in 1947 for the first time he participated in a National Diving Championship but was defeated by Des Cotton.

Since then, he never lost at any meet. From 1948 to 1966 for a period of 18 years he continuously won the Diving Championship and displayed excellence in performances.

In 1950, at the Empire Games held in Auckland, New Zealand he qualified for the finals. Thus, he became the first Sri Lankan sportsman to be selected for the final-round of an International Diving Competition.

At this meet, Smith was placed eighth. He participated in the Olympic Games held in Helsinki, Finland in 1952 but failed to claim victory.

In 1966, Smith was selected for the Asian Games in Bangkok, Thailand.

In 10 diving events he obtained a total of 101.72 points while the qualifying timing was 97.73 points.

Smith's score equalled that of the contestant placed sixth in the Asian Games of 1962. Although he could not win the events, he was able to obtain a certificate and was appointed a Referee/Judge in the Women's Diving Competition.

Smith who went as a contestant and returned as a Referee/Judge did not give up the sport. Although he was unsuccessful at the 1966 Indo-Sri Lanka Swimming Meet held in New Delhi he had the honour of winning a Gold Medal in a single event.

In 1967, he won the Indo-Sri Lanka swimming events in Sri Lanka after having learnt bitter lessons from the past experiences.

After having led the Sri Lanka Team for the fourth Indo-Sri Lanka swimming contests in

1969, Smith decided to retire from active sports.

Smith who served in the Sri Lanka Army for quite some time was appointed a Surveyor and travelled widely in Sri Lanka. He came for diving contests in Colombo even from very distant places.

Smith who showed such excellence in this sport had no coach. In 1966, at the Selection Meet, Alan did a wonderful dive from the three-metre springboard merely by learning from the books.

Smith engaged himself in training for over a decade amidst many difficulties, displaying the determination of an outstanding athlete. His routine training included waking up at 4.00 a.m. and running between Mount Lavinia and Bambalapitiya, a 50-metre speed run and two hours of training in swimming in the evening.

Although he missed this training programme when serving in the outstations, he was able to obtain the required results by commuting to Colombo a few days before



Allan Smith

the events and training for the events.

Smith, a father of three children, retired from sports in 1969 and left the Island to settle down overseas. (C.D)

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TODAY (FRIDAY)

(LOCAL EVENTS)

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Colombo Open  
Tournament  
at Green Path

(FOREIGN  
EVENTS)

**CRICKET**  
(WORLD TEST  
CHAMPIONSHIP)  
Bangladesh vs  
West Indies (2nd Test)  
at Dhaka (2nd day)

**FOOTBALL**  
(Spanish League)  
Celta Vigo vs Elche

**TENNIS**  
Australian Open at  
Melbourne (5th day)  
**PARA ATHLETICS**  
World Grand Prix Meet in  
Dubai (3rd day)

**GOLF**  
Pebble Beach Pro-Am at  
Pebble Beach Golf Links,  
California

# Mega development plan to boost sports in Sri Lanka



Sports Minister **Namal Rajapaksa**

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The Rural and School Sports Infrastructure Improvement State Ministry is planning to invest a sum of Rs. 2,940 million this year for a series of proposed development programmes.

This development programme includes the reconstruction of school playgrounds, national sports schools, public playgrounds, sports clubs, and youth clubs as well as conducting rural and divisional sports tournaments.

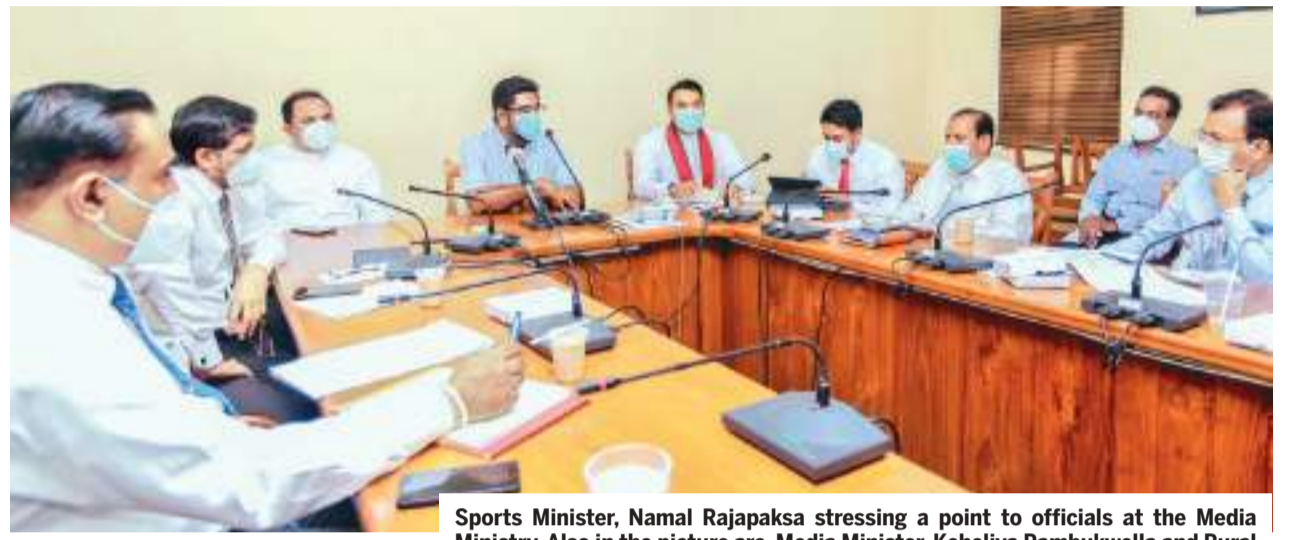
These details were revealed by the Minister of Sports Namal Rajapaksa and Rural and School Sports Infrastructure improvement State Minister Thenuka Vidanagama. The Sports Ministry has already identified that most of the school playgrounds are not up to

the standard for the students' sports activities. There are about 10,175 playgrounds in schools all over the country. The Ministry is planning to select one school from each zone and altogether 99 playgrounds to reconstruct and improve the standard with the allocation of Rs. 320m.

The reconstruction work includes the improvement of playgrounds, dressing rooms, and the installation of special drainage systems for the ground.

In addition, the Ministry will invest a sum of Rs. 380m for sports equipment allocated for the schools which will be select on zonal basis.

The Ministry will specially focus on the National Sports Schools for development through this project. Last year, five National Schools were developed by the Ministry and this year the Ministry is hoping to develop a further 12 National Sports Schools with the support of the three forces. They hope to invest a sum of Rs. 250m for this project.



Sports Minister, Namal Rajapaksa stressing a point to officials at the Media Ministry. Also in the picture are, Media Minister, Keheliya Rambukwella and Rural and School Sports Infrastructure improvement State Minister Thenuka Vidanagama.

The Ministry is also expected to upgrade 200 public grounds with an investment of Rs. 1,000m.

The Ministry hopes to spend Rs. 5m for each project which includes player sanitary facilities, dressing rooms, sprinkler systems, and a fence around the ground for protection while these projects will be completed through Provincial Councils.

In addition, rural playground development is another area to focus and the Ministry hopes to invest Rs. 500m.

The Ministry also hopes to invest Rs. 15m to conduct rural and divisional level sports tournaments such as marathons and cycling events to provide more opportunities for rural athletes.

The Ministry will also focus on the development of Sports Clubs and Youth Clubs while providing sports equipment to enhance their facilities. Meanwhile, a special focus will be made on

traditional sports to build-up good friendships and to create a good sports culture among the athletes. Rs. 25m will be allocated for this project.

In addition, a sum of Rs. 100m will be allocated for the publicity of this proposed project with the assistance of print and electronic media through the backing of Media Minister Keheliya Rambukwella.

## CR, CH pulls out of Commander's Cup Sevens

**ALTHAF NAWAZ**

CR and FC and CH and FC yesterday decided to pull out from the Commander's Cup Inter-Club Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament scheduled to commence on March 21.

"We are not in a position of

playing in the tournament as two of our players were tested positive for COVID-19. They have mingled with some of the other players at practices and as a result all of them have to undergo the quarantine process," Udani Edirisignhe, Rugby Manager of

CH and FC told the Daily News yesterday.

Meanwhile, President of CR and FC Ted Hiran Muttiyah said: "the requirement for players to be in group isolation for a continuous period of 35 days put in jeopardy their full time jobs."

He further added "In the current economic climate brought about by the pandemic, the CR Rugby Board decided that it is unfair to expect our Men's and Women's players to put at risk their livelihood, many of whom are sole

breadwinners of their families. The club's duty of caring for our players extends beyond the playing field."

Muttiyah concluded by saying "we hope the tournament will be conducted successfully with the blessing of Sri Lanka Rugby."

## Para Athlete Kumudu Priyanka wins Bronze in Dubai

**DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA**

Sri Lankan Para Athlete Kumudu Priyanka finished in third place to secure the Bronze Medal in the Women's Long Jump final in the World Para Athletics Grand Prix first-leg worked off in Dubai, UAE on Wednesday.

Priyanka, in an attempt to qualify for the Tokyo Paralympics, produced an effort of 4.89m in the T/46/47 event, which is also her best performance in an international meet.

However, according to the Manager of the Sri Lanka Team, Colonel Deepal Herath, Priyanka's achievement is not good enough to obtain a direct slot for the Paralympics Games.

But the National Paralympics Committee has the chance to submit a request for a wildcard entry for this event and that final decision is with the World Paralympics Committee (IPC).

Meanwhile, Sri Lanka's Amara Indumathi had to be satisfied with fourth place in the same competition with a distance of 4.76m.

India's N. Sure with a performance of 5.25m was placed first and France's Lanza Angelina with an effort of 5.05m took the third place of this event.

In another development, Indumathi had her 2018 Asian Para Games Silver Medal upgraded to a Gold Medal in the Long Jump event following a doping violation by an Uzbekistan athlete.

In addition, Priyanka who was placed fourth in the same event during the meet held in Jakarta received the Bronze Medal due to doping violation.

Both Sri Lankan Para Athletes received their medals in Dubai, National Paralympics Committee Chairman, Major General Rajitha Ampemohotti confirmed to *Daily News* yesterday.

With the addition of one Gold Medal and a Bronze Medal, Sri Lanka received five Gold Medals, five Silver Medals and five Bronze Medals at the 2018 Asian Para Games, which is the highest medals tally by a Sri Lankan Para Athletics contingent.



**Amara Indumathi**



**Kumudu Priyanka**

## Anika and Savini to clash in Women's final

Anika Seneviratne and Savini Jayasuriya set up a final showdown in the Women's Open Singles by winning their respective semi-finals in the Colombo Open Tennis Championships, which continued at the SLTA Courts in Green Path yesterday.

Anika went through some anxious moments before overcoming Oneli Perera 6-2, 4-6, 6-1 while Savini was also stretched to a three-setter before overcoming Janali Manamperi 7-5, 1/6, 7-6 (2).

**The results:**

**Men's Open Singles (semi-finals):** Luca Knese beat Dumindu Dilum 6-1, 6-4. Vibuda Wijebandara beat Thehan Wijemanne 6-3, 7-5.

**Women's Open Singles (semi-finals):** Anika Seneviratne beat Oneli Perera 6-2, 4-6, 6-1. Savini Jayasuriya beat Janali Manamperi 7-5, 1/6, 7-6 (2). - (AN)

## Bonner puts West Indies on par against Bangladesh

**DHAKA, THURSDAY:** Nkrumah Bonner scored an unbeaten half-century as the West Indies and Bangladesh shared the honours on the opening day of the second and final Test in Dhaka on Thursday.

Bonner hit 74, guiding the West Indies to 223-5 at stumps after skipper Kraigg Brathwaite won the toss and elected to bat first at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Dhaka. Wicket-keeper-batsman Joshua Da Silva was unbeaten on 22 alongside Bonner at the close.

The West Indies lead the two-match series 1-0 after winning the first Test in Chittagong. - AFP

**SCORECARD**

**WEST INDIES 1st innings**

Kraigg Brathwaite	c Najmul b Soumya	47
John Campbell	lbw b Taijul	36
Shayne Moseley	b Jayed	7
Nkrumah Bonner	not out	74
Kyle Mayers	c Soumya b Jayed	5
Jermaine Blackwood	c & b Taijul	28
Joshua Da Silva	not out	22
Extras (lb 2, nb2)		4
<b>Total</b> (five wickets; 90 overs)		223
<b>To Bat:</b> Rahkeem Cornwall, Alzarri Joseph, Jomel Warrican, Shannon Gabriel		
<b>Fall of wickets:</b> 1-66 (Campbell), 2-87 (Moseley), 3-104 (Brathwaite), 4-118 (Mayers), 5-178 (Blackwood)		
<b>Bowling</b> (till date): Jayed 18-5-46-2, Mehidy 22-5-39-0, Nayem 12-1-42-0, Taijul 30-5-64-2 (nb2), Soumya 8-1-30-1		

## Pre-League soccer to kick-off on Feb. 17

**ALTHAF NAWAZ**

The Pre-League Soccer Tournament conducted by Sri Lanka Football (SLF) will kick-off on February 17 with the participation of 10 teams at the Sugathadasa Stadium in Colombo.

This tournament which is conducted as a dress-rehearsal before the commencement of the inaugural professional tournament in the country, the 'Super League' which is to commence in mid-April, will enable all players representing their clubs to get back to football after almost a 10-month break due to the COVID-19 second strain.

The 10 teams competing are, Renown SC, Ratnam SC, Blue Star

SC, Defenders SC, and Red Star SC is in Group 'A' while Up-country Lions SC, Sea Hawks SC, New Young FC, Colombo FC and Blue Eagle SC will vie for honours in Group 'B'.

Each team will play four matches every Saturday and Sunday at the Sugathadasa Stadium with the first match scheduled to commence at 5.00 p.m and the second match at 8 p.m. under closed doors.

Meanwhile, four foreign players including one player from an Asian country will be eligible to represent each team.



Furthermore, each club will be granted a total of Rs. 3 million in several slabs to encourage the teams.

"We are delighted to make a kick-start for this tournament which will be a prelude for the Super League. We are thankful to the stakeholders who worked tirelessly to make this a reality," Anura de Silva, President SLF said during a media briefing in Colombo on Wednesday.

"Amidst several obstacles and challenges, we managed to clear all hurdles and give the teams a pre-season to get conducive to football after a long break. We are looking forward to witnessing an exciting competition in the next several months which is a great sign for the game," said Jaswar Umar, Secretary SLF.



Anura de Silva, President SLF, and Jaswar Umar, Secretary, SLF participates in the draw for the Pre-League soccer tournament at the Duncan White Auditorium.

## Tearful Kenin out of Australian Open, Barty reaches third round



Australia's Ashleigh Barty hits a return against Australia's Daria Gavrilova during their women's singles match on day four of the Australian Open on Thursday. - AFP

**MELBOURNE, THURSDAY:** Defending champion Sofia Kenin exited the Australian Open in tears on Thursday as world number one Ashleigh Barty negotiated a sticky moment to reach the third round.

Coco Gauff, 16, lost to Elina Svitolina, Stefanos Tsitsipas went the distance with Thanasi Kokkinakis and Fabio Fognini also needed five sets against fellow Italian Salvatore Caruso - a match that ended in a furious row.

With Rafael Nadal resuming his quest for the all-time Grand Slam titles record in the night match, Kenin and Barty topped the day-time bill - but their matches had very different outcomes.

Self-imposed pressure has weighed heavily on Kenin, 22, the world number four who was defending a Grand Slam title for the first time.

And after an emotional first-up win over wildcard Madison Inglis, Kenin met her match in the in-form Estonian Kaia Kanepi, who won 6-3, 6-2.

"I know I couldn't really handle the pressure," said an emotional and red-eyed Kenin, who wiped away tears during her press conference.

While the American became just the third defending champion since 1970 to fail to reach the third round, Barty lifted hopes of a first Australian winner since 1978.

Playing with her left thigh heavily strapped, the top seed twice failed to serve out the win before ousting her 387th-ranked compatriot Daria Gavrilova 6-1, 7-6 (9/7).

Barty, who is unbeaten in seven matches after sitting out nearly all of last year, blamed the lapse on ring-rust.

"I haven't played a lot of tennis over the last 12 months. Obviously going to have ebbs and flows not only in concentration but level of play as well," said the Aussie, dismissing any injury concerns. "I'm as fit as a fiddle," she said. - AFP

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Vinod K Jacob

DINESH PERERA

Deputy High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka Vinod K. Jacob said that the Indian government sees long term growth in the relationship with Sri Lanka. Jacob noted the relationship was becoming more equal over time. Jacob reaffirmed India's commitment to its long term obligations. The Indo-Lankan trade gap has narrowed over the course of 2020. In 2020 imports from India amounted to US \$3 billion while exports amounted to US \$644.2

million. This represents a trade gap of US\$ 2.4 billion which is a 27% decline over the trade gap of US \$3.3 billion in 2019.

Jacob was speaking at the International Chamber of Commerce awards for the most admired companies on February 10 at the BMICH.

The Indian government aimed to make India self-reliant on many products over the future.

Jacob said that in his view Indian manufacturers view Sri Lanka as an opportunity to share know-

how and increase technology transfers.

Jacob cited the Jaffna-Chennai air linkages as being very successful. There are also plans to bring about ferry services between the two countries. Indian officials have earlier noted that they are willing to look at the venture even if it is loss-making. The plans on the service are still being actively explored.

The Indian government has proposed a travel bubble between Sri Lanka and India to help the tourist

markets in both countries. India accounts for the largest inbound tour market in the country. The Sri Lankan government had indicated to the Indian government that they were in approval of the proposal. Jacob said, "We hope to take this forward."

The Indian government has proposed US \$100 million in assistance for the development of solar energy in the country. The Reserve Bank of India had earlier provided a US \$400 million swap agreement with the Central Bank of Sri

Lanka. Jacob noted that Indian investors see Sri Lanka as a partner for long term investment and growth.

India has already provided Sri Lanka with 500,000 Covishield vaccines and the Lankan government had indicated that they wished to obtain more vaccines. Jacob cited the importance of independence in the regulation of medicine and commended the swift approval of the Covishield vaccine by the National Medicines Regulatory Authority.

## India sees long-term friendship with Sri Lanka

### Port City Colombo donates PCR equipment and testing kits valued at over Rs. 20 million

Amid challenging times, CHEC Port City Colombo donated a PCR testing machine and 5,000 PCR test kits worth over Rs. 20 million to the government today.

On behalf of Jiang Houliang, Managing Director, CHEC Port City Colombo, Yue Yeqing, Asst. Managing Director of CPCChanded over the equipment to Basil Rajapaksa, Chairman, Presidential Task Force on Economic Revival and Poverty Eradication.

Rajapaksa appreciated the timely donation made by the Port City Colombo and handed over the PCR testing machine and test kits to the State Ministry of

Primary Health Services, Pandemics and COVID-19 Prevention for immediate use. State Minister Dr Sudarshani Fernandopulle stated that the PCR machine will be first installed in the Gampaha district to support and increase ongoing daily PCR testing. Rajapaksa stated that the Government plans to vaccinate the entire nation for COVID-19 as per WHO standards and hopes to be recognized as a COVID-19 eradicated country.

Port City Colombo representatives also took the opportunity to update Basil Rajapaksa about the present progress of the project. **TOP PAGE 14**

## President opens State Trust Center (Rajawasala) Shopping Complex at Narahenpita

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa opened the State Trust Center (Rajawasala) Shopping Complex established at the Economic Center at Narahenpita yesterday.

The showroom of the Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation was expanded and the Rajawasala shopping complex was constructed. It comprises 78 State and private shops.

The objective of this project is to give the consumer an opportunity to purchase under one roof, quality products of both State entrepreneurs and local manufacturers, according to the Saubaghyaye Dekema manifesto.

The President who declared open the shopping complex by unveiling the commemorative plaque, also visited the sales outlets and exchanged views with manufacturers and consumers.

Ministers Bandula Gunawardena, Mahindananda Aluthgamage and Ramesh Pathirana, as well as State Ministers Lasantha Alagiyawanna, Janaka Wakkumbura, Shashindra Rajapaksa and Channa Jayasumana together with heads of State institutions were present on this occasion.



President Gotabaya Rajapaksa opening the center.

## Measures to bail out crisis-ridden Finance Companies

Depositors of six failed FCs to receive additional Rs. 500,000

Rs. 12 bn to be used from liquidity fund

The government will look to bail out failed Finance Companies including The Finance Company (TFC) soon and a Cabinet Paper for this has been forwarded, State Minister Money, Capital Markets and State Enterprise Reforms Ajith Nivard Cabraal said.

The Central Bank of Sri Lanka had cancelled the license of TFC last May after efforts to revive the company through different strategies had failed. "We are now awaiting the Cabinet approval to go ahead with finding new investors to restart some of these defunct Finance companies," he said.

The State Minister said that this problem of finance companies collapsing aggravated in 2008 but every effort was made using various tools to protect financial institutions and thus protect

the country's financial stability during that period which was not an easy one. He noted that under the previous regime the depositors' monies were not paid despite the Rajapaksa government and him as the Governor of Central Bank starting a 'Deposit Insurance Fund' in 2010 with Rs. 1.1 billion when the current Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa was President."

He also recalled that in 2014 a Financial Sector Consolidation Programme was submitted by merging over 58 financial institutions to 20 making them strong financial institutions. State Minister Cabraal said that unfortunately all of that was set aside in 2015. As a result, financial institutions faced financial crises and some collapsed.

Cabraal said that recently he had a discussion with the



Prime Minister and consequently, it was decided to compensate depositors of collapsed finance companies with an additional sum of Rs. 500,000 among the 25,000 depositors of six failed financial institutions. A total of around Rs. 12 billion will be used to pay the additional amounts to eligible depositors. This is in addition to the Rs. 600,000 paid to 147,000 depositors of six financial institutions under the Sri Lanka Deposit Insurance and Liquidity Support Scheme (SLDILSS) which currently stands at Rs. 60 billion.

He also said that the government was making an effort to solve this problem to the best of their ability and paying Rs. 600,000 to depositors shows the commitment towards them. **(SS)**

## Singer delivers exceptional Q3 performance with Rs. 869 mn PAT

Delivering an outstanding performance, the Singer Group announced a post-tax profit of Rs. 869.38 million for the third quarter (Q3) for FY20.

On a cumulative basis, Singer reported a substantial increase in consolidated profit-after-tax for the nine-month period ending December 2020 at Rs. 1.76 billion compared to Rs. 366.43 million in FY 2019. At Company level, Singer (Sri Lanka) PLC recorded a cumulative profit of Rs.1.17 billion, compared to Rs.102.97 million the previous year.

This performance reflects Singer's resilience and effective implementation of the Group's operating strategy,



Chairman Mohan Pandithage and Co-Chairman Dhammika Perera



Group Chief Executive Officer, Mahesh Wijewardene

focus on driving targeted sales, continued robust demand for IT products, its efficient management of product margins and cost structure and the lower finance cost.

Contributing to these results was Singer's consolidated revenue growth, which for Q3 increased by 20% to Rs. 18.66 billion. Cumulative

revenues for year-to-date Q3 amounted to 16% to reach Rs. 49.4 billion.

Timely price revisions facilitated improved profitability margins with consolidated gross profit increasing by 8% to Rs.4.91 billion during the quarter and also rising by 8% on a cumulative basis. As a result of pursuing

a strong sales drive, the company's selling and administrative expenses for Q3 increased by 8% to Rs. 3.28 billion. Due to continued pressure on repayment capabilities reflecting the economic toll of the pandemic, costs on trade and other receivables increased by 51% during the quarter. **TOP PAGE 14**

## Host of relief measures for Tourism SME's

SANDASEN MARASINGHE, CAMELIA NATHANIEL and AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI

A number of relief measures have been taken to secure small and medium scale entrepreneurs in the tourism industry from the COVID-19 epidemic, Tourism Minister Prasanna Ranatunga said in Parliament yesterday (11) that

Responding to a question raised by the leader of the National People's Power MP Anura Dissanayake under Standing Order 27 (2) of Parliament, Minister Ranatunga said that the best solution to build the tourism industry is to open up the country for tourism.

Minister Ranatunga said that the tourism industry, which had

collapsed due to the Easter Sunday terrorist attacks, had plunged into the abyss with the COVID-19 pandemic situation.

The government has so far spent Rs. 72 million to provide relief to those in the tourism industry who have been affected by the pandemic, Minister Ranatunga pointed out.

Minister Ranatunga also said that providing relief to persons who are not registered with the Tourism Development Authority is an issue. Minister Ranatunga pointed out that steps have been taken by the Tourism Development Authority to simplify the licensing process and that it will be done online, and those who get registered could be considered as well.

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## Kazakhstani tourists visit Yala and Mirissa



Aitken Spence Travels and world famous TUI international flew in the second group of 225 passengers through SCAT airlines from Kazakhstan yesterday to Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport. Some of the tourists who flew last Saturday to MRIA via Air Astana were seen at Yala and during whale watching outings.

## 'Stock market rises 377.86 points after halt'

The Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (SEC) together with the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) met the CEO's of the stockbroker firms for a discussion on the current status of the stock market this afternoon (11.02.2021). Candid views were expressed between the parties and the stockbrokers expressed their views about the information that has been called for by the circular issued by the CSE.

The stockbrokers expressed the view that

there had been some misconception that this information was to be gathered to curtail the credit that has been extended by the stockbroker firms. The SEC Chairman Viraj Dayaratne, explained that such information was anyhow been collected on a fortnightly and monthly basis and considering the dynamic nature of the market some such information was required to be submitted on a weekly basis and that it was in no way meant to curtail credit granted by the stockbrokers.

**Singer delivers exceptional Q3 performance...** From page 13

While operating profits declined by 1% to Rs. 1.32 billion during the quarter, the operating profit margin narrowed to 7.1% in Q3 FY2021 compared to 8.6% in the corresponding quarter of last year. However, on a cumulative basis operating profit recorded an increase of 8% to Rs.3.48 billion.

The Group continued to pursue an aggressive sales drive leveraging its extensive branch and dealer network and digital capabilities. Demand for IT products remained strong during the quarter reflecting increased digital adoption due to remote working and online education arrangements.

Overall profitability continues to be supported by the sustained reduction in the Group's borrowing costs. A sharp decline of finance costs during the period under review was due to the gradual decrease in market interest rates, extension of supplier credit periods as well as continued rationalization of borrowings, thereby complementing the improvement in core profitability to drive net earnings growth.

Mahesh Wijewardene, Group Chief Executive Officer said, "Despite the outbreak of the second wave of infections in October 2020, the Group has performed exceptionally well driven by buoyant demand for key product categories and a timely strategy which has enabled it to capture emerging opportunities thus consolidated its market leadership position."

"With the expected successful roll-out of the vaccination in Sri Lanka raising hopes of an economic recovery and near-normalcy, Singer remains extremely optimistic and is well positioned to drive sustainable growth." Wijewardene added.

The Company has announced a subdivision of its ordinary shares, where each ordinary share will be split into 3 shares, increasing shares in issue from 375,628,830 to 1,126,886,490.

**SHARES - COLOMBO STOCK EXCHANGE**

Market Statistics on 11.02.2021

Security	Volume	**V.W.A. Previous Close	Open	High	Low	**V.W.A. Yesterday's Close	Change (Rs.)	Security	Volume	**V.W.A. Previous Close	Open	High	Low	**V.W.A. Yesterday's Close	Change (Rs.)
<b>Main Board</b>															
A.SPEN.HOT.HOLD.	255,739	32.00	31.80	32.00	25.50	31.90	(0.10)	FORT LAND	94,055	14.50	15.00	15.60	14.00	14.70	0.20
ABANS	4,616	174.00	177.00	179.00	165.00	168.50	(5.50)	GESTETNER	616	111.25	100.00	100.00	98.00	100.00	(11.25)
ACCESS ENG SL	1,144,342	25.30	25.50	26.50	23.60	25.00	(0.30)	GRAIN ELEVATORS	254,542	151.75	150.00	157.00	133.25	150.75	(1.00)
ACL	694,383	89.20	88.70	88.70	68.20	85.40	(3.80)	HDFC	653	40.50	40.30	40.30	39.80	40.00	(0.50)
ACL PLASTICS	8,086	279.75	303.00	304.00	250.00	282.25	2.50	HDMAS HOLDINGS	209,489	89.00	88.00	89.80	80.00	87.20	(1.80)
ACME	301,357	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.80	5.90	0.00	HNB	397,890	139.25	138.25	142.00	125.25	134.75	(4.50)
AGALAWATTE	7,555	27.90	27.80	27.90	25.50	26.30	(1.60)	HNB ASSURANCE	88,832	60.20	60.20	60.20	55.00	58.40	(1.80)
AHOT PROPERTIES	862	38.10	38.20	40.00	37.50	37.70	(0.40)	HNB (HNB.X0000)	213,722	109.50	109.50	109.50	96.00	104.00	(5.50)
AITKEN SPENCE	267,871	64.20	64.30	64.30	54.50	62.30	(1.90)	HORANA	704	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.60	23.00	0.00
ALLIANCE	1,593	54.80	54.00	54.00	50.80	53.80	(1.00)	HOTEL SIGIRIYA	501	65.60	65.80	65.80	61.70	61.70	(3.90)
AMANA BANK	748,925	3.40	3.50	3.60	3.20	3.40	0.00	HOTELS CORP.	91,000	11.60	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.40
ASIA ASSET	19,609	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.80	7.00	0.00	HUNTERS	23	750.50	699.00	699.00	683.00	750.50	0.00
ASIRI	14,112	28.50	28.40	30.50	25.10	26.50	(2.00)	INDUSTRIAL ASPH.	16,245,649	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.40	0.50	0.00
ASIRI SURG	48,998	14.00	14.00	14.90	13.50	13.60	(0.40)	JANASHAKTHI INS.	239,600	28.90	29.00	29.00	28.00	29.00	0.10
AUTODROME	10	80.00	78.00	78.00	78.00	80.00	0.00	JKH	2,343,691	154.75	154.75	155.00	148.00	152.00	(2.75)
BAIRAHA FARMS	7,030	140.00	140.00	140.00	135.00	137.50	(2.50)	KANDY HOTELS	1,215	4.90	4.90	5.10	4.90	5.00	0.10
BALANGODA	19,769	14.00	13.80	14.00	12.00	13.90	(0.10)	KEGALLE	16,337	113.75	115.00	115.00	90.00	115.00	1.25
BUKIT DARAH	3,030	314.50	325.00	338.50	300.50	330.50	16.00	KELANI CABLES	19,826	142.75	130.00	130.00	120.00	124.25	(18.50)
C M HOLDINGS	1,060	99.80	95.00	95.00	90.00	94.50	(5.30)	KELANI TYRES	333,380	85.20	86.80	86.80	70.00	80.40	(4.80)
C T HOLDINGS	310,064	174.25	174.00	174.00	171.00	172.50	(1.75)	KINGSBURY	10,820	12.10	12.10	12.80	11.80	12.00	(0.10)
CARGILLS	21,596	235.00	235.00	235.00	230.00	234.75	(0.25)	KOTAGALA	24,992	6.40	6.30	6.60	5.50	6.30	(0.10)
CARGO BOAT	6,182	69.70	69.60	74.00	66.00	66.00	(3.70)	L O L C HOLDINGS	1,051,038	407.75	417.50	424.75	325.00	397.50	(10.25)
CARSONS	1,292	298.25	293.00	293.00	275.00	279.00	(19.25)	LAKE HOUSE PRIN.	42	160.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	160.00	0.00
CDB	12,162	119.00	118.50	118.50	111.75	115.00	(4.00)	LANKA ALUMINIUM	207,865	22.50	22.80	23.90	17.70	21.90	(0.60)
CDB (CDB.X0000)	3,540	80.00	78.30	80.00	74.10	75.30	(4.70)	LANKA ASHOK	51	839.25	800.00	800.00	800.00	839.25	0.00
CENTRAL FINANCE	262,397	108.00	107.00	109.00	87.50	105.00	(3.00)	LANKA HOSPITALS	6,586	46.80	44.50	48.50	44.40	44.50	(2.30)
CENTRAL IND.	145,702	125.00	125.00	132.00	105.00	118.00	(7.00)	LANKA IOC	153,110	22.00	22.00	23.60	19.00	21.60	(0.40)
CEYLINCO INS.	1,504	2,061.75	2,050.00	2,050.00	1,899.00	2,001.50	(60.25)	LANKA REALTY	4,425	34.30	34.20	40.00	34.20	39.70	5.40
CEYLINCO INS. (CINS.X0000)	114	1,150.00	1,112.00	1,125.00	1,099.75	1,106.75	(43.25)	LANKA TILES	239,793	200.25	201.25	209.00	150.25	185.50	(14.75)
CEYLON GUARDIAN	42,397	130.00	128.00	130.00	115.00	126.00	(4.00)	LANKA VENTURES	2,436	53.00	51.90	52.00	49.80	50.00	(3.00)
CEYLON INV.	108,787	70.50	71.00	72.00	60.10	67.90	(2.60)	LANKA WALLTILE	227,223	202.50	200.00	205.00	154.00	192.00	(10.50)
CEYLON TOBACCO	1,833	1,100.25	1,100.25	1,125.00	1,080.00	1,085.00	(15.25)	LAUGFS GAS	8,349	25.00	25.50	27.40	21.10	24.30	(0.70)
CHEMANEX	9,586	84.60	88.00	88.00	75.00	81.30	(3.30)	LAUGFS GAS (LGL.X0000)	12,849	19.20	19.00	20.10	18.70	18.70	(0.50)
CHEVRON	196,459	105.00	105.00	105.00	95.10	103.25	(1.75)	LAXAPANA	13,646	14.10	14.00	14.00	13.80	13.90	(0.20)
CIC	687,098	59.90	60.00	60.00	50.00	57.70	(2.20)	LB FINANCE	100,771	209.75	205.00	222.00	185.00	212.50	2.75
CIC (CIC.X0000)	1,481,371	46.60	47.00	47.00	40.00	45.40	(1.20)	LIE HEDGES	8,051	72.50	71.00	75.00	66.50	74.90	2.40
CITRUS LEISURE	11,625	9.20	9.10	9.70	8.70	9.70	0.50	LION BREWERY	1,087	580.50	583.00	583.25	580.00	582.50	2.00
COLD STORES	78,943	674.75	671.00	671.00	658.50	664.00	(10.75)	LMF	828,039	157.00	175.00	180.00	155.00	171.75	14.75
COLOMBO CITY	362	922.25	902.00	902.00	800.00	862.00	(60.25)	LVL ENERGY	53,114	9.90	9.90	10.00	9.20	9.50	(0.40)
COLOMBO LAND	21,337	25.20	25.50	27.50	25.00	25.10	(0.10)	MALWATTE	500	13.70	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	0.30
COMMERCIAL BANK	605,707	87.50	86.10	87.00	80.00	85.80	(1.70)	MALWATTE (MAL.X0000)	16,367	8.60	9.00	9.10	8.40	8.50	(0.10)
COMMERCIAL BANK (COMB.X0000)	106,094	78.70	79.00	79.00	70.00	76.80	(1.90)	MELSTACORP	1,099,623	52.20	52.50	54.00	42.10	53.30	1.10
CONVENIENCE FOOD	2,151	1,398.25	1,362.00	1,439.75	1,200.00	1,236.00	(162.25)	MERC. SHIPPING	6,410	83.20	83.00	83.00	80.80	82.90	(0.30)
DANKOTUWA PORCEL	562,946	13.30	13.00	13.60	11.50	12.80	(0.50)	MERCHANT BANK	33,540	6.70	7.00	7.30	6.90	7.20	0.50
DFCC BANK PLC	130,531	64.00	65.90	65.90	61.00	64.90	0.90	MULLERS	373,539	1.10	1.00	1.10	1.00	1.00	(0.10)
DIALOG	1,549,738	12.20	12.20	12.20	12.00	12.10	(0.10)	NAMUNUKULA	2,973	178.25	178.25	180.00	170.00	176.00	(2.25)
DIMO	4,503	568.00	580.00	594.75	550.00	569.50	1.50	NAT. DEV. BANK	114,472	86.40	84.00	88.90	81.00	87.10	0.70
DOCKYARD	34,579	77.20	77.90	81.80	67.50	79.50	2.30	NATIONS TRUST	101,553	59.70	59.60	59.60	55.00	58.30	(1.40)
DOLPHIN HOTELS	1,500	25.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	(2.00)	NAWALOKA	98,191	5.10	5.30	5.60	5.00	5.20	0.10
DURDANS	4,381	102.00	102.00	102.00	100.00	102.00	0.00	NESTLE	221	1,170.00	1,175.25	1,175.25	1,150.00	1,156.25	(13.75)
DURDANS (CHL.X0000)	740	95.10	95.10	95.10	95.00	95.00	(0.10)	OVERSEAS REALTY	719,908	15.70	15.40	16.00	15.00	15.60	(0.10)
E B CREAMY	127,604	50.40	49.80	50.00	38.00	45.50	(4.90)	PAN ASIA	409,376	17.10	17.10	17.40	14.50	16.50	(0.60)
EAST WEST	256,385	11.50	11.60	11.80	10.80	11.60	0.10	PANASIAN POWER	3,581,344	3.50	3.60	3.60	3.40	3.60	0.10
EASTERN MERCHANT	20,832	6.10	6.10	6.40	6.00	6.00	(0.10)	PEOPLE'S INS	244,473	32.20	31.60	33.00	28.20	30.60	(1.60)
EXPOLANKA	12,519,238	49.20	48.80	50.00	38.40	47.20	(2.00)	PEOPLES LEASING	404,610	12.70	12.80	12.90	12.40	12.60	(0.10)
								PIRAMAL GLASS	5,667,280	9.40	9.30	9.50	8.50	9.20	(0.20)
								PRINTCARE PLC	2,820	32.70	32.60	32.60	31.90	31.90	(0.80)
								R I L PROPERTY	377,199	6.80	6.80	6.90	6.30	6.60	(0.20)
								REGNIS	15,518	114.25	108.00	118.00	95.00	107.00	(7.25)
								RENUKA AGRI	844,956	4.00	4.00	4.20	3.80	4.00	0.00
								RENUKA CITY HOT.	5,491	227.00	220.00	220.00	215.00	215.00	(12.00)
								RENUKA FOODS	60,968	15.90	15.70	15.70	14.00	14.60	(1.30)
								RENUKA FOODS (COCO.X0000)	1,014	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	0.00
								RENUKA HOLDINGS	110,036	16.10					

# LOLC retains its top position in 2020

One of Sri Lanka's leading diversified financial conglomerates secured three top accolades during 2019/20. LOLC secured the top spot in the LMD 100 ranking as the 'Most Profitable Listed Company' by recording a profit after tax of Rs. 19.8 billion. Further, LOLC also rose one more position to secure the second slot in the Business Today Top 30 list for 2019/20 and went on to be named Sri Lanka's Ten Most Admired Companies for 2020 based on its financial performance, the value created for shareholders, customers, employees and the wider community in general.

LOLC achieved the distinction of

being the most profitable listed entity in the country for two consecutive years with a considerable overseas footprint. Commenting on the recent achievements, Group Managing Director/CEO of LOLC Group, Kapila Jayawardena said, "These rankings are a validation of the superior level of financial performance which has resulted in our significant stability. With a steadfast approach to innovation and bold strategies, LOLC will continue to forge ahead not just in terms of financial growth but also in terms of upholding best practices, good governance and with its commitment to sustainability. We are honoured to be ranked amongst

the Most Admired Companies in Sri Lanka, LMD 100 and amongst the Business Today Top 30 list for the year. These recognitions are a direct result of the continued support of our customers as well as the passion and dedication of our staff both here and overseas."

LOLC's first-quarter results for 2020/21, recorded the highest ever PAT of Rs. 37.3Bn compared with Rs. 10Bn recorded in June 2019. The topline from continuing operations of the Group grew to Rs. 32Bn, a 12% growth over last year while the interest income from its financial services businesses recorded an increase of 16% to reach 22Bn.

The Group's lending portfolio of the financial businesses outside Sri Lanka showed strong growth over the last year while the local companies recorded marginal growth despite the subdued economic activity.

Established 40 years ago, LOLC has excelled on a national level and has now established itself as a leading microfinance institution in the countries in which it operates.

Today, with operations in 10 countries, LOLC has successfully established itself as a strong global financial conglomerate with multi-currency, multi-geographic microfinance and SME platform.



Group Managing Director/CEO of LOLC Group Kapila Jayawardena receiving the award from the Deputy High Commissioner of India Vinod K. Jacob. General Shavendra Silva, and Dinesh Weerakkody, look on.

## Union Assurance empowers customers with self service app, ClickLife

Union Assurance adds another facet to its digital experience with a self-service app – ClickLife to meet the increasing demand for mobility and remote accessibility to policyholders. The Click Life mobile app is part of an end-to-end digital insurance solution offered by Union Assurance and now allows consumers to manage and be updated in real-time on their policies including balances, dues, claim status and loan submission.

The ClickLife app allows customers to connect with Union Assurance anywhere, anytime, managing policies, making claims as well as premium payments conveniently, efficiently, and securely. The ClickLife app goes one step further by enabling consumers to carry out digital policy loan

submissions, which previously consumed time and required tedious paperwork.

Commenting on the digital initiative of Union Assurance, Rumesh Modarage, Chief Technical Officer stated, "We are disrupting legacy systems to make transactions 100% transparent.

Policyholders can now access real-time information on their policy at their fingertips. Call centres and agents have been the frequent touchpoint for customers to change, or request policy-related information such as address or contact change, claims submission, loan submission and balance statements.

But now, the app will offer all these services, empowering the customer

to have 100% control over their portfolio."

Another exciting facet of the app is the inclusion of a health tracker which offers regular health tips that double as rewards with vouchers and discount coupons for customers, redeemable instantly across a growing partner network.

"Union Assurance is leading the digital transformation of Sri Lanka's life insurance landscape, simplifying the process of buying protection," stated Lucille Diaz, Chief Marketing Officer of Union Assurance.

"Part of this digital transformation journey was to address our customer needs and eliminate bottlenecks, paperwork and legacy systems. Claims and follow-ups were deemed by consumers to be extremely



Chief Marketing Officer  
Lucille Diaz



Chief Technical Officer  
Rumesh Modarage

time-consuming and labour-intensive processes. Now with the launch of our ClickLife self-service app, we have created a seamless user experience eliminating delays and affording real-time updates to consumers, meeting the challenging demand of today's rapidly evolving consumer lifestyles and current reality."

The app affords the insured full control of their policies, with additional features such as a loyalty

program, customizable dashboard for real-time policy overviews, as well as instant access to online agents 24/7.

Powered by cutting-edge mobile technology, the ClickLife App is available for download at the App Store and Google Play Store for all iOS and Android users, with the first 1,000 users to download the app standing a chance to win exciting merchandise.

## Seven Media Group wins big at SLIM Digits

Seven Media Group, a Creative Digital Agency in Sri Lanka, racked up an impressive award haul at the recently held SLIM Digits 2.0, including the coveted Digital Marketing Grand Prix 2.0 Award.

Seven Media's excellent creative digital campaign work for the NDB Balance Transfer "Hirawelada"

Campaign fended off competition from more than 140 entries, from over 40 competing multinational agencies and brands, to win the Digital Marketing Grand Prix Award, which is awarded to the agency that achieves the highest score in both the main awards category and the special awards category.



The Seven Media Team

### Specific Procurement Notice

## Request for Bids Goods

(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

**Country** : Sri Lanka  
**Name of Project** : Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project  
**Contract Title** : Supply & Delivery of 2,087 Nos. of unused Scooters to the Public Health Midwives - Ministry of Health

**Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.** : Cr 6595-1k

**RFB Reference No. :** LK-MOH-176198-GO-RFB

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Supply & Delivery of 2,087 Nos. of unused Scooters to the Public Health Midwives – Ministry of Health.
- The Project Management Unit of Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Supply & Delivery of 2,087 Nos. of unused Scooters to the Public Health Midwives – Ministry of Health and shall be delivered to Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medical Services, "Suwasiripaya", 385, Rev. Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
- Bidding will be conducted through International competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the requirement of Public Company / Bureau / Private Company / Partnership/ Sole proprietor with valid registration of relevant Authorities.
- Bidder shall quote entire quantity of the Lot and Schedule of requirement. Documentary evidence must be submitted for previous client references and services & maintenance facilities within the Sri Lanka together with the Bid. Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award include: The eligible bidders shall have an agent (sole or accredited) in Sri Lanka for similar type of Supply.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Project Director, Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project and inspect the bidding document during office hours i.e. 0900 to 1500 hours at the address given below. The bidding document is displayed on the [www.pssp.health.gov.lk](http://www.pssp.health.gov.lk) and [www.health.gov.lk](http://www.health.gov.lk) website for reference only.
- Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 1100 hrs in local time on 05th March 2021 at the meeting room of the office of the Project Director at which prospective Bidders may request clarifications of the supply requirements. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is essential.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address given underneath and produce the original certificate of the registration of the Tender or certified true copy of said certificate (PCA 3) issued from 12th Feb. 2021 up to 26th March 2021 from 0900 hrs. to 1500 hrs. in local time on weekdays upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Sri Lankan Rupees 50,000.00. The payment will be deposited at the Director General Health Services, Bank of Ceylon, Thaprobane Branch Account No: 7040244 and receipt to be produced to collect the Bidding document.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 10:00 hrs on the 29th March 2021. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below at 10:00 hrs on 29th March 2021.
- Bids shall be valid until 23rd Aug. 2021 and bids shall be accompanied with a Bid security to the value of 5.5 Million on the format given in the bidding documents. The Bid Security shall be a Bank Guarantee and valid until 20th September 2021.
- The address referred to above is:

**Dr. J M W Jayasundara Bandara**

The Project Director

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Website: [www.pssp.health.gov.lk](http://www.pssp.health.gov.lk)

## Lanka Credit and Business Finance to list

The Lanka Credit and Business Finance Ltd. (LCB Finance) will be listing their shares on the Colombo Stock Exchange shortly.

CEO/Executive Director of LCB Finance Ltd. K. G. Leelananda stated that the stakeholders could get better value with the listing of their shares in the Share Market. Leelananda said, "LCB Finance was formed in the Southern Region in 2016 and we also want to give out a message that listing of the shares is the way forward."

In a bid to comply with the requirement of the Central Bank, LCB Finance is making arrangements to list their shares on Colombo Stock Exchange and they are planning to host the prospective investors at a Business Forum on Febru-



W.M. Abeyrathne Bandara and K. G. Leelananda



ary 13, from 6 pm onwards at the Light House Hotel Galle.

The Minister of Plantations Dr Ramesh Pathirana, State Minister of Production and Supply of Fertilizer and Regulation of Chemical Fertilizer, Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva, Mayor Galle Municipal Council, Priyantha G Sahabandu and Head of Corporate Advisory at NDB Investment Bank Nilendra Weerasinghe will participate at the event.

CEO / Executive Director Leelananda stated that the Company's ambitious Journey towards success commenced from Galle Head Office Branch in 2016 having registered themselves as "Lanka Credit and Business Ltd".

"With its steady growth, they were able to acquire the Business of "City Finance Corporation Ltd" in 2018 and rebranded the company as Lanka Credit & Business Finance Ltd during the same year under

the guidance and approval of the Central Bank.

They have shifted their Head Office from Galle to Kohuwala and expanded the Branch network to reach 8 Branches at Rathgama, Karadeniya, Mata-ra, Karapitiya, Pelawaththa and Negombo and parallel to this growth they provided 125 employment opportunities.

He also said they were recognized for the "Emerging Finance Company of the Year -2019 award" at the South Asia Business Excellence Award Ceremony held at Hilton-Colombo.

"We successfully implemented the scheme introduced by CBSL to assist those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic by providing debt moratorium, rescheduling non-performing credit facilities and

postponing Legal Action to recover over dues."

"During the year 2020, we adopted new software to enable e-Finance". The migration of data to the new package was completed in December 2020."

"Despite the uncertain economic condition caused by the COVID-19 pandemic we were able to reach an asset base of Rs. 3.4 Bn. The total Loan portfolio is Rs. 2.3 Bn., Risk-weighted Capital Adequacy ratio 35.8%, Core Capital Rs. 1.8 Bn. (as at 31/1/2021) Net Profit after Tax Rs. 71 Mn. (9 months period).

He also stated that the Company was able to achieve these achievements under the guidance of Chairman - Emeritus Professor W M Abeyrathne Bandara, Board of Directors and dedicated staff.

## Arimac Digital secures highest wins at National ICT Awards

Digital solutions provider Arimac Digital bagged the most number of awards won by a single company, including the 'Overall Gold Winner' award for the most innovative products and services, at the recently concluded National ICT Awards – NBQSA 2020 ceremony, for the consecutive second year. The award ceremony was held at BMICH this year with the presence of distinguished guests including the Sports Minister, Namal Rajapaksa.

The Overall Gold Award winner Arimac Digital was able to secure a total of 16 awards which included six Gold Awards, three Silver Awards, three Bronze awards and three Merit awards under the categories of Business Services, Consumer, In-House, Inclusions and Community Services, Public Sector and Government, Research and Development and Industrial.

Arimac Digital has displayed its prowess as a front runner in technology verticals such as Gaming, Immer-

sive technology and design anthropology not only in Sri Lanka but in the whole Asian region as well. The prestigious National ICT Awards organized by NBQSA is the only local award ceremony dedicated to recognizing the ICT organizations in Sri Lanka. Out of 200 entries, Arimac Interactive Development Framework – a platform design to tweak and engineer a set of frameworks for creating new gaming experiences with minimal effort, has been recognized as the best product which won the overall category award due to the novelty and the uniqueness of the product.

"We are deeply honoured to have secured this massive victory for the second consecutive year. It proves beyond doubt that Arimac has accelerated development in the Sri Lankan ICT landscape while delivering innovation excellence at the highest level.

It is a clear testament to the committed and collective efforts of the hardworking



Arimac CEO  
Chamira Jayasinghe

team at Arimac, and the expertise and talent they bring to the table.

The National ICT Awards is the only award ceremony in Sri Lanka to recognize the efforts of ICT organizations, and this makes this win all the more special," Arimac Digital Founder & CEO Chamira Jayasinghe stated.

Arimac Digital consists of young and talented in-house experts to design and develop ground-breaking innovative solutions recognized and trusted by a clientele of local and international companies, which supported Arimac to achieve big within just 10 years of operation.

## NTB appoints Dr Shanmuganathan to Board of Directors

Nations Trust Bank announced that Dr Ramesh Shanmuganathan has been appointed as a Non-Executive Director to the Board of Nations Trust Bank PLC with effect from January 25, 2021.

As a seasoned professional with over 25 years of experience, Dr Shanmuganathan currently serves as an Executive Vice President of the John Keells group. He provides stewardship for the business-led digital/IT strategy and execution across the John Keells group as the Group Chief Information Officer as well as provide leadership to John Keells IT and John Keells X as the Chief Executive.

Dr Shanmuganathan is a Hayes-Fulbright Scholar and is currently reading for his Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) at the International School of Management, Paris. He



also holds a Doctor of Philosophy in Technology Management from Keisei International University in Seoul, South Korea.

In addition to the Chairman, Gihan Cooray and Director and Chief Executive Officer, Priyantha Talwate, the board of Nation's Trust Bank include Conrad D'Souza, Rachini Rajapaksa, Russell De Mel, Savanth Sebastian, Chanaka Wickramasuriya, Prasanna De Silva, Suran Wijesinghe, Sumit Maheshwari, Sherin Cader, Arjun Fernando and Ramesh Shanmuganathan.

# Munchee clinches 'Brand of the Year' at SLIM Brand Excellence

Munchee, the flagship brand of Ceylon Biscuits Limited (CBL) clinched the coveted 'Brand of the Year' title at the SLIM Brand Excellence Awards 2020.

'Brand of the Year' was among five awards claimed by Munchee in an impressive sweep which included 'Local Brand of the Year' - Gold, 'Export Brand of the Year' - Gold, 'Best New Entrant Brand of the Year' - Gold for Munchee Choc Shock and 'Product Brand of the year - Silver'.

This was the 8th consecutive time that Munchee has won the 'Brand of the Year' award and is the only brand to win this coveted award for 4 consecutive years

in the 19-year history of SLIM Brand Excellence Awards.

Commenting on the win, Janmesh Paul Anthony General Manager Marketing at Ceylon Biscuits Ltd said: "This is a testament to the trust that our consumers have in us and the commitment and passion of the CBL Family to achieve our purpose of creating enriching moments of happiness across Sri Lanka. Each one of us at CBL is truly invested in delivering the best quality products and purpose driven growth for Sri Lanka through every biscuit we make, so we are truly grateful to our consumers who make the extraordinary Munchee journey a possibility."



CBL team at SLIM Brand Excellence Awards

"Munchee continuously evolves its product offering through innovative recipes and technology to meet consumer needs and wants," says Janmesh, adding that this consumer-centric

approach has been a key factor in the Munchee brand's growing demand in Sri Lanka and in over 60 countries across the world.

CBL Group brands Munchee, Ritzbury and Samaposhana won a

total of 11 awards at SLIM Brand Excellence Awards 2020 held at the BMICH, recently. Over 100 brands were evaluated under 14 categories to recognize high performing brands. Each

entry was subjected to a stringent evaluation process, where all aspects of the brand were thoroughly evaluated. The brands that emerge as top scorers of the six main categories and the spe-

cial categories were further subjected to evaluation by an esteemed panel of judges who declare Gold, Silver and Bronze winners and the esteemed 'Brand of the Year.'

## Cargills among 'Top 10 Most Admired Companies'

Cargills (Ceylon) PLC was recognised as One of the Top 10 Most Admired Companies of Sri Lanka at the annual Most Admired Companies Awards ceremony organized by the International Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka (ICCSL) and Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA).

The award recognizes companies that have demonstrated excellent business performance and created value for customers, employees, shareholders and the wider community in general. It reiterates Cargills' philosophy of balancing profit with purpose and using business as a force for good.



Head of Marketing, Cargills Retail Sanjeewa Fernando who received the award is with Chandana Kelegama and Rukshani Wanigasekara

## HNB SOLO partners with Stone N String to offer discounts for Valentine's Day

Continuing its support to the 'Rata Purama LANKA QR' campaign, Sri Lanka's most digitally innovative bank HNB PLC, partnered with leading semi-precious jewellery merchant Stone N String to offer customers exciting discounts and deals during the month of February.

The partnership which will offer customers exciting discounts via HNB's digital app SOLO in celebration of Valentine's Day was launched at the Stone N String showroom in R.A. De Mel Mawatha. HNB Deputy General Manager Retail and SME Banking Sanjay Wijemanne, graced the occasion.

"We are delighted to partner with yet another specialized industry to offer our extensive customer base



HNB and Stone N String teams at the event

with exciting discounts through our very own digital payment app SOLO. The partnership is another step in promoting LANKAQR to our customers and offering a convenient and safe payment method to celebrate special days with their loved ones. As such we are delighted to add Stone N String to our extensive merchant network," HNB Deputy General Manager-Retail and SME Banking

Sanjay Wijemanne said. Customers hoping to shop at the jewellery store are entitled to purchase coupons at a 25 per cent discount on the SOLO app. The discounted coupons will be available for customers to purchase during the month of February, while the coupons will be valid until March 31 for redemption.

"As a leading jewellery merchant with an extensive

network across the country we are also excited to be a part of LANKAQR revolution sweeping across the country," Stone N String Chairman and Founder Mohamed Muhiyadeen Saheed said.

To commence the campaign, Stone N String will offer the first 25 customers who use HNB SOLO a ruby pendant set in sterling silver. Having linked LANKAQR to HNB

SOLO, the bank was among other financial institutes and telecommunication partners to join the Central Bank of Sri Lanka in promoting digital payments as the standard for day-to-day transactions island-wide.

The bank has continuously bolstered SOLO's features and functionality while refining its user interface to make QR-based payments intuitive, easy to use, and versatile.

## Dialog Axiata powers 'Top 50' Professional and Career Women Awards by WIM

As an avid supporter of bridging gender disparities whilst empowering women in the workforce, Dialog Axiata PLC (Dialog), joined hands as Platinum Sponsor on the 10th anniversary of WIM's (Women in Management) foremost annual event the 'Top 50' Professional and Career Women Awards, to recognize and celebrate individual and corporate achievements of trailblazing women leaders in Sri Lanka for the year 2020.

Recognizing and valuing legacies which will, in turn, inspire others, the awarding body has recognized over 420 past award winners over the years, representing a wide array of professions including banking and finance, hospitality, media, legal, logistics and supply chain to name a few.

The 'Top 50' Professional and Career Women Awards, launched in March 201, demonstrates the significant role women play in bringing about transformational change as employees, entrepreneurs, and business leaders going to show that gender equality is not only a social and moral imperative, but it also makes business sense.

At Dialog, it is paramount that women are given the supportive platforms needed to be recognized and valued. Under the Dialog's community investment umbrella, Yeheli.lk/Thozh.lk - the first of its kind free digital, anonymous, trilingual messaging platform in Sri Lanka which connects users with expert advice, is one such example of Dialog's commitment to the welfare of women as it is dedicated to assisting women's health and wellbeing thereby enabling and empowering them to participate in the economy and society in order to build a sustainable future for the country.

Dialog is also the proud sponsor of the Women's National Cricket Team of Sri Lanka as well as the Sri Lanka National Netball, Senior Netball, and Junior Netball Teams. The Company also has close ties with the Dialog National and Junior National Netball Championship and is working together with its brand ambassadors, Umariya Sinhawansa, Stephanie Sansoni and Chamari Atapattu to create a culture of female empowerment and inclusivity across its portfolio.

## MAS recognised for efforts towards to reduce plastic waste

MAS Holdings was honored for its efforts towards a national initiative to reduce plastic waste at the recently concluded Inaugural Annual Awards Ceremony organized by Eco-Spindles (Private) Limited.

The award recognizes MAS KREEDA's innovative incorporation of fabric produced by yarn sourced from recycled PET bottles by the local recycled-yarn vendor, to manufacture KREEDA's trademark high-end sportswear.

Eco-Spindles noted that in 2020, KREEDA's consumption of such traceable, waste-to-value fabric was equivalent to a little under 18 million PET bottles, which would otherwise have ended up in landfills or polluted water bodies in the country. Collectively, MAS has utilized yarn sourced from over 21 million PET

bottles throughout the past year, an indispensable solution supporting the country's journey towards a circular economy.

"The Eco Spindles Award recognizes MAS KREEDA's commitment to make our supply chains more sustainable and circular, reducing plastic waste as we move together in partnership 'Towards a Better Planet'," CEO of MAS KREEDA and Member of the Apparel Board Sarinda Unamboowe said. "We appreciate this recognition for our contribution towards the effective end-of-life management of PET by re-imagining our manufacturing process, while meeting our stringent quality and performance benchmarks."

MAS has been actively involved in clearing plastic waste from Sri Lanka's coastline since 2015 in part-

nership with the Marine Environment Protection Authority (MEPA), Sri Lanka Navy and Eco-Spindles, with many MAS employees volunteering for coastal cleanups carried out across the island.

Other such initiatives include partnering with the Sri Lanka Navy to establish over five plastic waste collection centers across the country for recycling. To expand its efforts in addressing the marine plastic issue, MAS piloted a floating trash trap in 2020 named the 'Ocean Strainer' in the Dehiwala Canal, trapping plastic waste and preventing it from reaching the ocean through the canal mouth.

To find a solution to add value to the PET waste collected from the coast of Sri Lanka, MAS partnered with Eco-Spindles to develop a



MAS KREEDA CEO Sarinda Unamboowe and Deputy General Manager Compliance and Environmental Sustainability at MAS KREEDA, Eranga Dilhan with the award

recycled polyester yarn. This yarn was utilized to produce the Sri Lanka Cricket Jersey for the ICC 2019 World Cup.

Eco Spindles, a wholly owned subsidiary of BPPL Holdings PLC, states that 1kg of PET polyester yarn is equivalent to recycling 60 PET bottles.

"KREEDA's efforts reflect our continuous inspiration by our stakeholders' long-term commitment towards environmental sustainability and making a lasting, positive impact on our planet. This will continue to be a key focus in our manufacturing and sourcing journey," Unamboowe added.

## IIT bags multiple awards at National ICT Awards (NBQSA) 2020

Informatics Institute of Technology (IIT), the pioneer in British higher education in Sri Lanka and the country's premier IT and Business campus, won multiple awards including the first-ever BCS Chairman's Award at the recently-concluded National ICT Awards (NBQSA) 2020 held at the BMICH, continuing its winning trend in this prestigious annual award ceremony.

The BCS Chairman's Award was presented to IIT in recognition of having the highest number of award-winning students at the event as seven IIT students bagged awards for their outstanding IT and Business innovations. In the "IT" Category Stelan Bryan won Silver for Smart Shoe, Dilum De Silva won Bronze for DAugmentor while Nisal Sudil took home a Merit award for CadiRhythm. In the "Business" Category, Irfan Ismath bagged the Gold award for Trust credit with Kavishma Jayasinghe winning the Silver for Style Guide while Gayalya Jayawardhane and Hannah Natasha took home Merit Awards for their innovations TransAssist and Chain of Ownership respectively. IIT students have been winning awards at National ICT Awards for several years and a number of those winning innova-



Dr.Gamini Wickramasinghe Founder and Chairman of Informatics Group with the award winning students

tions have gone on to receive international acclaim while also becoming successful business ventures.

Commenting on the award wins, Founder and Chairman of Informatics Group Dr. Gamini Wickramasinghe stated, "We are proud to be the recipient of the first-ever BCS Chairman's Award at the National ICT Awards (NBQSA) thanks to the remarkable achievements of our highly-talented IIT students. As a pioneering educational institute IIT has been able to revolutionize not only the higher education sector of Sri Lanka, but also the ICT industry as a whole. The

rapid growth of IIT and its large alumni base is a clear indication of the institute being the most preferred choice of those who seek world-class quality educational qualifications right here in Sri Lanka."

CEO of IIT Mohan Fernando commented, "Our students have always been a cut above the rest and this has been proven by the rich haul of awards they have been consistently winning at the National ICT Awards (NBQSA) over the years. Many of these students have taken their products to the next level by participating and winning

at other local and international competitions thereby making all of us extremely proud. Some of them have also launched their products as successful business ventures by acquiring investors while others are on the road to do so."

Dean of IIT Naomishri Krishnarajah stated, "At IIT, we strive to transform the way our students learn to make them the most employable graduates and truly global citizens. The academic programmes and co-curricular activities facilitate not just making a student literate but also adds rationale thinking, knowledgeably and self-sufficiency."

## CDB wins Service Brand of the Year at SLIM Brand Excellence



Senior Brand Manager - Singer Gayan Perera, CEO SLIM Sanath Senanayake, Past President SLIM Suranjith Suwaris, GM Marketing CDB Darshana Jayasinghe, and Head of Brands- CDB Charitha Warnakulasooriya.

Citizens Development Business Finance PLC was ranked as one of the top 05 NBFIs in the country; brought home the "Service Brand of the Year" Bronze award at the recently concluded SLIM Brand Excellence Awards Ceremony 2020.

The SLIM Brand Excellence, applauds and honours corporates for outstanding performances in their specific sectors, recognizing consumer-driven ground-breaking initiatives on a national level to encourage local corporates to reach global standards.

CDB is an organization that strongly believes in sustainable business processes and focuses its approach on People, Planet and Profit.

A strategic pitch about the company's purpose-driven business model, which was designed to empower aspirations and bring

convenience to its customers through digital transformation, championed at this year's selection. CDB believes in offering its customers techno backed solutions, further reducing its carbon footprint and taking forward their goal of building a smart and sustainable Sri Lanka.

Accordingly, team CDB brought forward CDBiControl, CDBiDeposit and CDBiTransfer to the fore maximizing financial independence and mobility for its users at no additional cost during a time of great need, ensuring health and safety with an unmatched customer experience.

This year's award ceremony witnessed great initiatives by top corporates of the country in multiple sectors and was judged by eminent industry leaders across multiple industries.



**SRI LANKA MEDICAL COUNCIL****Examination for Registration to Practise Medicine  
ERPMS PARTS – B and C - April 2021**

Applications are called for:

- ERPMS Part B – (Clinicals)
- ERPMS Part C (Emergency Viva Voce)

These examinations will be conducted at the Teaching Hospitals attached to the Medical Faculties of the State Universities in Sri Lanka.

The application should be handed over by the applicant in person at the SLMC Office on working days from **9.30 a.m to 1.00 p.m** from **Monday 15th February 2021 to Monday 01st March 2021**. (Late applications deviating from the above dates and times will NOT be accepted)

**Eligibility to sit ERPMS Part B and ERPMS Part C :**

Candidates who have completed Part A of ERPMS as Medical Track and/or Surgical Track

**Note :**

1. ERPMS Part B :Candidates should apply subjectwise for Medicine, Paediatrics, Surgery, Obstetrics & Gynecology.
2. ERPMS Part C: Candidates should apply Trackwise as Medical and Surgical Track.
3. All candidates are instructed to sit all the subjects of ERPMS Part B and Track of ERPMS Part C if they are qualified to sit those Subjects/Tracks and have not yet passed. Failing to do so will be counted as an attempt at that Subject/Track in the calculation of the merit order.

For further details refer to web site :  
[www.srilankamedicalcouncil.org / mc.lk](http://www.srilankamedicalcouncil.org / mc.lk)

**Registrar**  
**Sri Lanka Medical Council**  
**31, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 10.**  
**Telephone: 011-5623659/ 011-2691848**

**SALE UNDER SECTION 29D OF  
PEOPLE'S BANK ACT NO. 29 OF 1961  
AS AMENDED BY ACT NO. 32 OF 1986**

**PEOPLE'S BANK  
AUCTION SALE  
KIRIBATHGODA BRANCH**

**ALLOTMENT OF LAND MARKED :**

Lot A depicted in Plan No. 311/A 2003 dated 10.10.2003 made by D.C.M.S. Wimalaratne, L.S. of land called Ambagahawatta situated at Dalupitiya Village, Grama Niladhari Division of Dalupitiya, Divisional Secretariat Division of Mahara, within the Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Mahara, in Siyane Korale in Adikari Pattu in the District of Gampaha, Western Province.

**LAND IN EXTENT :**

Eleven Decimal Two Perches (A-0, R-0, P-11.20) together with building, plantation, everything else and right of way. Registered under C1019/33 at the Land Registry of Gampaha.

Under the authority granted to me by People's Bank, I shall sell by Public Auction on 05th March 2021 commencing at 11.30 am at the spot.

The Auction will be conducted in accordance with the strict guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health, adhering to COVID-19 protocol.

**FOR NOTICE OF RESOLUTION :**

Please refer the Government Gazette of 13.03.2015 and Dinamina, Daily News and Thinkaran of 02.03.2015 newspapers.

**ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY :**

From Colombo proceed along Kandy Road for about 14km up to Mahara Junction and turn left to Dalupitiya Road and proceed for about 1.4km to reach the property which lies on the right hand side abutting the Road. (about 50m passing the 6th km post).

**MODE OF PAYMENT :**

The successful purchaser will have to pay following amounts in cash at the fall of the hammer.

1. 10% to purchased price
2. 1% Local Authority Tax payable to Local Authority.
3. Auctioneer's Commission of 2 1/2% (Two and a half percent only) on sale price.
4. Clerk's and Crier's fee of Rs. 1000/=
5. Cost of sale and any other charges, if any.
6. Stamp duty to the certification

Balance 90% of the purchased price will have to be paid within 30 days from the date of sale to the Regional Manager, People's Bank, Regional Head Office, 131, Kandy Road, Belummahara, Mudungoda.

Tel: 033 2223880, 2225008, 2226909 Fax : 033 2226165

The title deeds and other reference may be obtained from the following address. If the said amount is not paid within 30 days as stipulated above, the bank shall have the right to forfeit the purchased price already paid and resell the property.

**11/55, Bogahawatta, Kudabuthgamuwa, Angoda**  
**T.P. 011 2053286,**  
**072 3207533, 076 9217329**

**E.S. Ramanayake**  
**Court Commissioner**  
**Licensed Auctioneer**  
**Valuer and (JP Whole Island)**

**HECTOR KOBBEKADUWA  
AGRARIAN RESEARCH  
AND TRAINING INSTITUTE**

**Expression of Interest in Installation of  
Rooftop Solar Power System**

Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research and Training Institute (HARTI) invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from the registered companies or investors for the installation and maintenance of 190kW rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) energy systems at HARTI office premises.

In this purpose HARTI intends to rent its roof space to the interested party / parties to install and maintain NET PLUS solar PV system for minimum 20 years providing the maximum benefits to HARTI.

The all cost incurred in installation and maintenance of the said system should be borne by the interested party / parties and HARTI will not involve in the investment except providing its roof space and the access.

Interested Parties may furnish their EOI with all the necessary documents as mentioned in the Terms of Reference (TOR) in a sealed cover along with the covering letter duly signed by an authorized signatory which shall be received up to 2.30 p.m. on 01.03.2021 and shall be opened on the same day at the below address, in the presence of interested parties.

The Application Form and the documents on TOR can be obtained by paying Rs. 3,000.00 (non-refundable processing fee) from the Registrar's Office, HARTI, No. 114, Wijerama Mawatha, Colombo 07.

**DIRECTOR / CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
HECTOR KOBBEKADUWA AGRARIAN  
RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE,  
NO. 114, WIJERAMA MAWATHA, COLOMBO 07.**

10.02.2021

**Sale under Section 29D of People's Bank Act No. 29 of  
1961 as amended by Act No. 32 of 1986**

**PEOPLE'S BANK  
WELIGAMA BRANCH**

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked Lot 8 depicted in Plan No.2053 dated 15.04.1972 made by N.P. Kudahetti, Licensed Surveyor of the land called 'Sinharalawewa Watta alias Kadirage Samel Wewa Watta alias Sinharalagewatta' at Mirissa, Grama Niladhari Division of No.405 A — Udupila, within the Pradeshiya Sabha Limits and Divisional Secretariat Division of Weligama, in Weligama Korale, Matara District, Southern Province containing in extent Ten Decimal One One perches (A0.R0. P 10.11)

Which said Lot 8 is recently surveyed by M.L.M. Rashmi, Licensed Surveyor and made Plan No. 4102 dated 18.01.2013 and depicted as Lot 8 containing in extent Eight Decimal Nine Perches (A 0.R 0.P 8.9) together with all the buildings, plantation and everything standing thereon.

Under the Authority granted to me by People's Bank.

I shall sell by Public Auction on 05.03.2021 commencing at 10.30 a.m. at the spot.

For Notice of Resolution, please refer the Government Gazette and 'Daily News', 'Dinamina' and 'Thinkaran' Newspapers of 22.06.2018.

**Access to the property:**

From Weligama town centre proceed along Matara main Road for about 5.8 kilometers up to the Mirissa Udupila junction. At this junction turn left to the Udupila Road and travel along for about 50 meters to reach the property. The subject property is situated on the right side of the road.

**Mode of Payment:**

The successful purchaser should pay the following amounts in cash at the fall of hammer:

- 1). 10% of the purchased price.
- 2). 1% Local Authority Tax payable to the Local Authority.
- 3). Auctioneer's Commission of 2 1/2% on the sale price.
- 4). Government taxes.
- 5). Cost of sale and other charges, if any.
- 6). Clerk's and Crier's Fee of Rs.1500/-
- 7). Notary's Fee of Rs.2000/- to certify conditions of sale.

Balance 90% of the purchased price will have to be paid within 30 days from the date of sale to the Regional's Head Office People's Bank, Anagarika Dharmapala Mawatha, Matara.

Telephone Nos. 0412222822 / 0412226481 / 0414922490

The Title deeds and any other references may be obtained from the aforesaid Address. If the said amount is not paid within 30 days as stipulated above, the Bank shall have the right to forfeit 10% of the purchased price already paid and resell the property.

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**NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given under section 9(1) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 of the Incorporation of the following company:  
Name of the Company: **DINTHI DISTRIBUTORS (PRIVATE) LIMITED**  
Registered office: No. 242/1V/22, Asiri Mawatha, Pahala Karagahama, Kadawatha.  
Incorporated Date: 13.10.2008  
Registered No. PV65858  
Secretary

**AUCTION SALE OF  
GOLD ARTICLES PAWNED**

Gold articles pawned up to 23.03.2018 and from 01.01.2019 up to 31.12.2019 but yet remain unredeemed at Centers mentioned below of the Kalutara District Co-operative Rural Bank Federation Ltd. possessing the Pawning Licence from the Divisional Secretariat, will be sold by Public Auction on Saturday 27.03.2021 at 10.00 a.m. at the Kalutara District Co-operative Rural Bank Federation Ltd. premises.

The addresses of the Pawning Centers are mentioned below :

No. 252, Galle Road, Kalutara North.  
No. 111 1/1, Main Street, Kalutara South.  
No. 13, Matugama Road, Katukurunda.  
No. 15, Railway Station Road, Panadura.

**Chief Executive Officer,  
Kalutara District Co-operative Rural Bank  
Federation Ltd.,  
252, Galle Road, Kalutara North.**  
**Telephone : 034-2237462, 034-2237230,  
034-2223233, 034-2236711, 038-2245111**

I, Lasitha Isanka Malalasekara of Thusitha, No. 12, Malamulla West, Panadura do hereby notify all that the Power of Attorney No. 5235 dated 22.03.2018 attested by Ms Sulochana Manamperi, Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public, granted by me to Malalage Badra Lalani Peiris Malalasekara of No. 7/2, Malamulla West, Panadura will be revoked with effect from 25.02.2021.



**PAST PUPILS' ASSOCIATION  
HOLY FAMILY CONVENT  
BAMBALAPITIYA**

Notice is hereby given that the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Past Pupils' Association of Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya, scheduled for 27th February 2021 has been postponed due to the prevailing pandemic in the country.

The Committee wishes to assure the membership that, taking into consideration the situation in the country, we will hold the AGM before the end of April 2021.

**By order of the Executive Committee  
Sowthambigai Chandirakumar & Janani  
Perera  
Joint Secretaries  
February 2021**

**Specific Procurement Notice**

**Request for Bids  
Goods**



(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

**Country** : Sri Lanka  
**Name of Project** : Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project  
**Contract Title** : **Supply & Delivery of 60 Nos. of unused Ambulances for Ministry of Health**  
**Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.** : Cr 6595-1k

**RFB Reference No. : LK-MOH-201484-GO-RFB**

1. The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Supply & Delivery of 60 Nos. of unused Ambulances for Ministry of Health.
2. The Project Management Unit of Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Supply & Delivery of 60 Nos. of unused Ambulances for Ministry of Health and shall be delivered to Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medical Services, "Suwasiripaya", 385, Rev. Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
3. Bidding will be conducted through International competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the requirement of Public Company / Bureau / Private Company / Partnership/ Sole proprietor with valid registration of relevant Authorities.
5. Bidder shall quote entire quantity of the Lot and Schedule of requirement. Documentary evidence must be submitted for previous client references and services & maintenance facilities within the Sri Lanka together with the Bid. Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award include: The eligible bidders shall have an agent (sole or accredited) in Sri Lanka for similar type of Supply.
6. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Project Director, Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project and inspect the bidding documents during office hours i.e. 0900 to 1500 hours at the address given below. The bidding document is displayed on the [www.pssp.health.gov.lk](http://www.pssp.health.gov.lk) and [www.health.gov.lk](http://www.health.gov.lk) website for reference only.
7. Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 1000 hrs in local time on **05th March 2021** at the meeting room of the office of the Project Director at which prospective Bidders may request clarifications of the supply requirements. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is essential.
8. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address given underneath and produce the **original certificate of the registration of the Tender or certified true copy of said certificate (PCA 3)** issued from **12th Feb. 2021 up to 26th March 2021** from 0900 hrs. to 1500 hrs. in local time on weekdays upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Sri Lankan Rupees 60,000.00. **The payment will be deposited at the Director General Health Services, Bank of Ceylon, Thaprobane Branch Account No: 7040244 and receipt to be produced to collect the Bidding document.**
9. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 14:00 hrs on the **29th March 2021**. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below at 14:00 hrs on the **29th March 2021**.
10. Bids shall be valid until **23rd Aug. 2021** and bids shall be accompanied with a Bid security to the value of **9 Million** on the format given in the bidding documents. The Bid Security shall be a Bank Guarantee and valid until **20th September 2021**.
11. The address referred to above is:

**Dr. J M W Jayasundara Bandara****The Project Director**

**Sri Lanka COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Project,  
3rd Floor, J.R. Jayewardene Center,  
191, Dharmapala Mawatha,  
Colombo 07,  
Sri Lanka.**

**Telephone: +94112680490 / +94112680549**

**Facsimile: +94112680490**

**e-mail: [srilankacovid@gmail.com](mailto:srilankacovid@gmail.com)**

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## MINISTRY OF HEALTH GENERAL HOSPITAL, KEGALLE

### PROCUREMENT NOTICE

01. Sealed bids are invited by the Director, General Hospital, Kegalle up to 10.30 a.m. on 08.03.2021 from contractors for the construction work shown in the Schedule below. Bids will be opened at 10.30 a.m. on the same day.

Serial No.	I Details of Work	II Engineer's Estimated Amount	III Minimum Registration	IV Value of Bid Security (Rs.)	V Tender Application Fee (Rs.)	VI Contract Period
01	Repairing the roof of the old Laboratory and reconstruction	Rs. 9.9 Mn	CIDA C7	150,000.00	3,500.00	180 days
02	Improvement of facilities to the Drugs Store	Rs. 5.9 Mn	CIDA C7	90,000.00	2,500.00	90 days

02. Contractors possessing registration at the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA C7) and possessing membership of the National Construction Contractors Association or an institute with equal qualifications according to the value mentioned in Column (II) in the schedule above or contractors registered for a higher value are eligible to submit bids.

03. Bid documents could be obtained from the Establishment Division of the Kegalle General Hospital from 15.02.2021 up to 07.03.2021 during working days of the week between 9.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. after paying the amount as shown under Column V of the Schedule above.

04. Duly completed bids in two copies along with a Bid Bond obtained from a bank approved by the Government should be inserted in the Tender Box kept in the Accounts Division of the Kegalle General Hospital to be received at or before 10.30 a.m. on 08.03.2021 or should be sent by registered post addressed to the Director, General Hospital, Kegalle. The words "....." (as mentioned under details of work under I in the Schedule) should be marked on the top left-hand corner of the envelope containing the bids.

05. A pre-bid meeting regarding the subject of work mentioned above will be held at 10.00 a.m. on 01.03.2021 at the Director's Office.

06. Further details regarding this matter could be obtained during office hours from the Establishment Division of the General Hospital, Kegalle. Telephone No. 035-222261 (Extension 330).

07. Please note that the decision of the Procurement Committee is deemed final.

**Chairman,  
Regional Procurement Committee,  
General Hospital, Kegalle.**

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## DEPARTMENT OF SRI LANKA CUSTOMS

### REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR THE YEAR 2021

Applications are hereby invited for the registration of suppliers, manufacturers, agents and individuals, who wish to register themselves for the supply of undermentioned goods and services for the Department of Sri Lanka Customs, for the year 2021.

#### CATEGORY - 1 - GOODS

- 1.1 Computers and computer accessories, computer printers, fax machines, photocopiers, scanners, binding machines, laminating machines
- 1.2 Stationery and office equipment
- 1.3 Toners and ribbons
- 1.4 Mobile phones
- 1.5 Covid-19 health protective accessories (face masks, face visors, protective kits, hand sterilizers, hand gloves, shoe covers, etc.)
- 1.6 All kinds of printing works (Letter heads, posters, books, publications, banners, sign boards, stickers, monumental plaques, etc.)
- 1.7 Rubber stamps
- 1.8 Identity card covers and accessories
- 1.9 Bottle shape bold steals
- 1.10 Uniform materials / clothing / shoulder pads, epaulets, lamiyards / belts / shoes (male/female) socks, stockings / hand gloves
- 1.11 Uniform accessories (Metal badges / sters, etc)
- 1.12 Polysack bags
- 1.13 Office furniture
- 1.14 Beds, bunker beds, pillows, mattresses, bedsheets / linen, pillow cases, mosquito nets
- 1.15 Kitchen equipment (Crockery and cutlery).
- 1.16 Water Dispensers, drinking water bottles.
- 1.17 Leather bags, brief cases
- 1.18 Umbrellas, raincoats
- 1.19 Water pipes and fittings required for the drainage / sewerage system
- 1.20 Name boards (Plastic / brass / metal)
- 1.21 Equipment and fittings & accessories, required for the supply of electricity (tools, wires, electric bulbs, plugs, electricity cells, electric batteries) and spare parts, etc. (Capacitors, transistors and transformers, etc)
- 1.22 Water pumps and related accessories and spare parts
- 1.23 Electric motors and related accessories and spare parts
- 1.24 Hardware equipment (building materials, paints, iron, nuts and bolts, etc)
- 1.25 Equipment required for landscaping works
- 1.26 Equipment required for air-conditioning systems and materials required for the maintenance works of air-conditioners (Insulators, packing sheets, copper tubes, refrigerators and air-conditioners and cleaners, etc.)
- 1.27 Lubricants and purifiers
- 1.28 Spare parts related to doors and windows, (Doors springs, tower bolts, etc.)
- 1.29 Ornamental plants

#### CATEGORY - 2 SERVICES

- 2.1 Servicing / repairs of computers and accessories
- 2.2 Photocopiers / resograph machines servicing and repairs of.
- 2.3 Servicing and repairs to central air-conditioning system, servicing and repairs to air-conditioners and repairs to refrigeration
- 2.4 Servicing of and repairs to office equipment
- 2.5 Repairs to office furniture and steel items and repairs to all kinds of keys, safes and steel cup boards, etc.
- 2.6 Constructions / repairs / maintenance works of the buildings (should be the registered contractors of CIDA Institution)
- 2.7 Partition of building premises and related services
- 2.8 Repairs to photocopiers and resograph machines
- 2.9 Disposal of forfeited and confiscated goods confiscated by the Department of Sri Lanka Customs and other disposable goods that should be disposed as per the stipulated and prescribed methods
- 2.10 Recycling of waste and discarded papers
- 2.11 Supply of vehicles on rental basis / services of vehicles on tow / towing
- 2.12 Repairs to building, mechanical, electrical and electronic systems
- 2.13 Construction of exhibition (Display) stalls and promotional stalls
- 2.14 Repairs to water pipes, sewerage system and bath (wash) rooms and fitting of accessories
- 2.15 Fitting works
- 2.16 Controlling of hazardous insects / pests in the building
- 2.17 Obtaining equipment on hire basis (Ladders, pumps, drilling machines, etc.)
- 2.18 Repairs related to doors, windows, ceilings and tiles, etc.
- 2.19 Maintenance and servicing works for mechanical electrical and plumbing works (MEP works)
- 2.20 Supply of skilled / unskilled labour for masonry, carpentry, tiling, electrical and plumbing works
- 2.21 Supply of technical equipment on hire basis
- 2.22 Supply of labour services (labourers) on hire basis
- 2.23 Taking photographs and videoing
- 2.24 Provision of services of mobile toilet gully vehicle services
- 2.25 Cutting and removal of trees
- 2.26 Supply of festival goods and accessories, on hire basis
- 2.27 Supply of food and beverages for festival occasions
- 2.28 Beautification and decorating of buildings with the electrical bulbs, for the festivals

#### CATEGORY - 3 - VEHICLE REPAIRS / SERVICING / SUPPLY OF ACCESSORIES FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLES

- 3.1 Mechanical repairs to motor vehicles such as motor cars / buses / lorries, cabs and jeeps
- 3.2 Supply of tyres, tubes and rim tapes & wheel balancing and alignment
- 3.3 Supply and maintenance of batteries
- 3.4 Corrosion repairs, tinkering and painting of motor vehicles
- 3.5 Repairs to and re-supply and fixing of vehicle air-conditioners
- 3.6 Cushioning / upholstery works / repairs to seats / laying of seat covers and carpets / fixing of canopy huts
- 3.7 Servicing of motor cars / buses / lorries, cabs and jeeps, term servicing of the vehicles, internal cleaning works, polishing of outer side
- 3.8 Repairs to and servicing of the electrical system of the motor system

#### REGISTRATION FEES

Category	Registration Fees (Rs.) Per Item
01. Goods	500.00
02. Services (Except Construction Contractors)	1,000.00
03. Repairs to services of motor vehicles / supply of accessories for vehicles	1,500.00

#### FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS

Serial No.	Value of the Contract	Registration Fees (Rs.)
01	Up to Rs. 50,000.00	500.00
02	From Rs. 50,001.00 to Rs. 100,000.00	1,000.00
03	Rs. 100,001.00 to Rs. 500,000.00	1,500.00
04	Rs. 500,001.00 to Rs. 1,000,000.00	2,000.00
05	Rs. 1,000,001 to Rs. 2,000,000.00	2,500.00
06	Over Rs. 2,000,000.00	3,500.00

#### GENERAL CONDITIONS :

1. The registration of suppliers is valid only up to one year from the date of registration.
2. Quotations are called from the registered suppliers, under the market shopping procedure as per the additional and circular provisions, issued from time to time, and the provisions of government / public procurement guidelines code, valid at present and from the suppliers, mentioned in the rainbow pages directory issued annually by the Sri Lanka Telecom, as well.
3. Applications for the registrations could be obtained from the Logistics (services and supplies) Division of the Head Office of the Department of Sri Lanka Customs, from **10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. on working days of the week from 13.02.2021 to 25.02.2021.**
4. Application for registration, together with the registration fees (which is non-refundable, in cash, for each category, should either be sent by registered post, addressed to the Director of Customs, Logistics (Services and Supplies) Division, 6th Floor, Customs House, No. 40, Main Street, Colombo 11 or deposited in the Tender Box, kept at the above address to be received at or before 2.00 p.m. on 01.03.2021. The caption to the effect "Registration of Suppliers for the year 2021 - Department of Sri Lanka Customs", should be clearly indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope, enclosing the application for registration of applications received after that date, will be rejected.
5. A certified copy of the Business Registration Certificate a copy of the trading licence, (issued by the Registrar of Companies, the Municipal Council, Urban Council, Pradeshiya Sabha) and VAT registration certificate should be submitted along with the applications.
6. The Director General of Customs reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the applications, received for the registration, no appeals, in this regard will be entertained.
7. Registrations of applications will be conducted subject to formal documents and inspections of premises of the suppliers.
8. Suppliers will be registered only for the goods or services mentioned in the business registration certificate.
9. One branch, one department, one division one trade stall exhibition stall or one authorized dealer of the institutions, applied for registration should be situated within the Western Province.
10. No advance payment will be made for the supply of goods and services.
11. The non-submission of quotations by registered suppliers, failure to fulfill orders in due time, and failure to abide by the conditions of the calling to quotations, will be the causes to repeal and the cancellation of registration of those suppliers without any intimation / notice.

**Director General of Customs  
Department of Sri Lanka Customs  
No. 40, Main Street, Colombo-11.**



### Registration of Suppliers and Service Providers - 2021/2022

## Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (Pvt) Ltd.

Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (Pvt) Ltd. (SLINTEC) invites applications from reputed Manufacturers, Suppliers, Agents, Importers, Dealers and Service Providers who wish to register themselves for the supply of the following goods and services for the Years 2021/2022.

#### Supplies & Services

Category No.	Description (Goods)
G-A0001	Air-Conditioners & Spares for General Air-Conditioning
G-A0002	Aluminium Products
G-B0001	Building Material & General Hardware Items
G-B0002	Bulbs, Lamps, Light Fittings & Fixtures
G-C0001	Cables - Electrical Power Cables, Wiring Cables & Overhead Line Conductors & Accessories
G-C0002	Chemicals and Lab Consumables
G-C0003	Civil Construction Works
G-C0004	Cleaning Material
G-C0005	Computers, Laptops, Printers, Toners, Network accessories, Software & Multimedia accessories
G-C0006	Crockery & Cutlery
G-C0007	Curtains, Carpets, Linen & Mosquito Nets, etc.
G-D0001	Drinking Water (Purified & Bottled)
G-E0001	Electronic & Home Appliances
G-E0002	Electrical items and accessories
G-F0001	Fabricate & Supply of Steel / Iron Structures
G-F0002	Fertilizers & Agro Chemicals
G-F0003	Furniture (Steel / Wooden / Plastic)
G-G0001	Gardening & Decorations
G-G0002	Grocery Items
G-I0001	Industrial Gas Supply
G-L0001	Laboratory Equipment & Spares
G-O0001	Oil, Lubricants & Fuel
G-P0001	Plastic Products
G-P0002	Pneumatic Accessories & Controllers
G-P0003	Polythene related products Manufacturing
G-P0004	Printing of materials (Business Cards / Books / Letter Heads / Branded Envelopes / Advertising Materials)
G-P0005	Publications and Books
G-S0001	Safety Equipment / Fire Fighting Appliances & Accessories, Spares and Fire Chemicals
G-S0002	Sanitary Fittings, Tiles, Bathroom Fixtures & Accessories

Category No.	Description (Goods)
G-S0003	Security Equipment (CCTV / Access Control)
G-S0004	Sports Equipment
G-S0005	Stationery
G-S0006	Solar Panel & Renewable Energy Systems
G-T0001	Toilet Papers & Tissues

Category No.	Description (Services)
S-A0001	Air-Conditioner Service & Maintenance
S-C0001	Canteen Service
S-C0002	Catering Service
S-C0003	Courier Service
S-C0004	Customs Clearance Agents
S-F0001	Freight Forwarding Agents
S-H0001	Hiring of Light & Heavy Vehicles (Car / Van / Lorry / Bus / Forklift)
S-I0001	Insurance Service
S-I0002	IT related Services
S-J0001	Janitorial Service
S-L0001	Labour Contracts
S-L0002	Laundrying and Cleaning
S-L0003	Lab Waste Disposal Services
S-M0001	Manpower Services
S-P0001	Painting Works
S-P0002	Pest and Insect Control Service
S-R0001	Repair & Service of Generators including Fuel & Coolant Tests
S-R0002	Repair & Service of Glass Doors & Roller Shutters
S-S0001	Screen Printing Works
S-S0002	Security Service
S-T0001	Translation Service
S-E0001	E-Waste Disposal Services

#### SPECIMEN FOR THE APPLICATION

1. Category Number/s applied for (multiple categories are allowed in single application)
2. Legal Name of Company
3. Business address
4. General company contact details - Telephone Nos / Fax Nos / Email address / Business web site
5. Details of the company directors
6. Business Registration Number & Date
7. Type of the business (Ownership)
8. Nature of the business (Manufacturing / Distribution / Retailer / Service Provider / Importer / Agent / Maintenance)
9. List below up to ten (10) core Goods / Services offered under each category
10. Primary contact person / Mobile / Telephone / Fax/Email
11. Principal Customer References (Details of two sources we may contact to seek references in relation to services rendered by your Business)
12. Allowed Credit Period
13. Following documents should be enclosed with your application form,
  - Copy of Business Registration Certificate
  - Product brochures and quality certificates, if any
  - Business profile
  - Copy of VAT certificate (if available)
  - Annual report or audited financial statement for the Last year (If available)
  - List of existing clients

#### GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS :

- Applicants should follow the format of required Specimen mentioned above while preparing the self-made application.
- For Registration fee the applicants should make a non-refundable deposit of Rs.2000/- to Account No-0003603854 (Bank of Ceylon, Independence Square Branch) and attach the deposit slip along with the application. Applicants are encouraged to apply for multiple categories under single deposit and additional deposit will not be required.
- SLINTEC reserves the right to accept or reject any application at its discretion or to annul the registration process completely.
- Application marked "Registration of Suppliers for the years 2021/2022" on the top left-hand corner of the envelope shall be sent under registered cover or hand delivered to reach the address given below on or before **28th February 2021.**
- Further details if necessary, could be obtained from Manager - Logistics on 0114-650508.

**Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (Pvt) Ltd,  
Nanotechnology & Science Park,  
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Tel : 011-4650500 / Fax : 011-4650532  
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### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 9(2) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007.

Former Name of the Company: ADVENTURE FACTORY (PRIVATE) LIMITED

Company No. PV00204455  
Registered office: No. 15, Rajagiriya Udayanaya, Rajagiriya.

New Name of the Company: TEA & EXPERIENCE FACTORY (PRIVATE) LIMITED

Date of Change: 21.12.2020

### PUBLIC NOTICE

AMALGAMATION OF PAPPYRUS CORPORATION (PRIVATE) LIMITED WITH PAPPYRUS PAPERS (PRIVATE) LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given in terms of Section 242 (3) (b) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 ("The Act") that the Board of Directors of Papyrus Corporation (Private) Limited (PV 102381) (which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Papyrus Papers (Private) Limited) having their registered address at No. 38/17, Gower Street, Colombo 05 and Papyrus Papers (Private) Limited (PV 5232) having its registered office at No. 38/17, Gower Street, Colombo 5 through Board Resolutions passed by the Boards of each of the above Companies shall amalgamate in terms of Section 242 (1) of the Act.

The name and the registered address of the amalgamated company will be Papyrus Papers (Private) Limited of No. 38/17, Gower Street, Colombo 5.

By Order of the Board,  
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### - CORRECTION NOTICE - Department of National Community Water Supply

#### Recruitment of Technical Officers on Contract Basis

This refers to the above titled advertisement published on Page No. 27 of Daily News on 05th February 2021.

Please note that email address should be corrected as follows;

dncws.ad2019@gmail.com

The other contents remain unchanged.

Director General,  
Department of National Community Water Supply  
No. 1114, Pannipitiya Road,  
Thalawathugoda.

Telephone : 011-2775861

### PROCUREMENT NOTICE

#### ATTANAGALLA PRADESHIYA SABHA

Bids are invited to supply a Digital Single Lens Reflect Camera for this Pradeshiya Sabha. I will accept your Bids for this purpose, until 2.00 p.m. on 25.02.2021. Bids will be opened after 2.00 p.m. on the same day.

Your Bids can be sent under registered cover, addressed to "Chairman, Attanagalla Pradeshiya Sabha, Nittambuwa" or can be deposited in the Tender Box. The top left-hand corner of the envelope containing Bids, should be marked as "Submission of Bids for a Camera". Your Bids should be submitted in two copies as 'Original' and 'Duplicate' enclosed in two envelopes.

Bidders should agree to the conditions already imposed and to those to be imposed by this Pradeshiya Sabha in the future. The decision of this Pradeshiya Sabha will be final. Specifications, the format of bid and the conditions can be obtained from the Pradeshiya Sabha. Those conditions should be read carefully and Bids should be submitted accordingly. Further details can be obtained via Tel. No. 033-2050484.

Chairman  
Attanagalla Pradeshiya Sabha  
08.02.2021

### Department of Local Government Eastern Province

#### Notice on summon of meeting under the Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act No. 22 of 2012

I, Nagarasa Manivannan, the Commissioner of Local Government of Eastern Province, hereby announce that the meeting scheduled to be held on 10.02.2021 at 11.30 a.m. for the selection of Chairman of Seruwila Pradeshiya Sabha in Trincomalee District notice vide Gazette Notification (Extraordinary) No. 2212/55 dated 29th January 2021 and published in Thinakaran, Dinamina and Daily News on 02nd February 2021, will not be held as per the interim order of CA (Writ) Application No. 61/2021 by the Court of Appeal of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. Furthermore, the announcement of the same has been published by me in the Gazette Notification (Extraordinary) No. 2214/42 of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on 10.02.2021.

N. Manivannan,  
Commissioner of Local Government,  
Department of Local Government,  
Eastern Province.

## INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

(Two-Envelope Bidding Process)

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF SRI LANKA CUSTOMS

### Procurement for Upgrading of Sri Lanka Customs' Access Network Infrastructure and Security

Bid Submission No.: Log/S/12/DMS

- The Chairman of Department Procurement Committee on behalf of the Director General of Sri Lanka Customs invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for Procurement of Upgrading of Sri Lanka Customs' Access Network Infrastructure and Security.
- Details of description are given in the Schedule of Requirements of the bid document.
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Director of Customs (Logistics), Sri Lanka Customs and inspect the bidding documents at the Logistics Directorate, 6th Floor, Customs House, Sri Lanka Customs, No. 40, Main Street, Colombo 11 from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm on working days from 15th February 2021.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested eligible Bidders upon submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rupees Twenty Thousand (LKR.20,000/-) to the Chief Shroff, 2nd Floor, Sri Lanka Customs on working days, from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm on or before 5th March 2021. The method of payment will be by cash only.
- Bids must be delivered to the Director of Customs (Logistics), Logistics Directorate, 6th Floor, Department of Sri Lanka Customs, Customs House, No. 40, Main Street, Colombo 11 at or before 2.00 pm on 8th March 2021. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. The outer Bid envelopes marked "ORIGINAL BID", and the inner envelopes marked "TECHNICAL PART" will be publicly opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who are authorized to attend in person at the Logistics Directorate, 6th Floor, Department of Sri Lanka Customs, Customs House, No. 40, Main Street, Colombo 11. All envelopes marked "SECOND ENVELOPE: FINANCIAL PART" shall remain unopened and will be held in safe custody of the Purchaser until the second public opening.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a Bank Guarantee using the format given with the Bidding Documents in the amount of Sri Lankan Rupees One Million (1,000,000/- LKR).
- Bids shall be valid for a period of 90 days from the date of deadline for submission of the Bids
- A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 11.00 am on 23rd February 2021. Details of the Pre-Bid meeting will be communicated later.
- Department of Sri Lanka Customs will not be responsible for any costs or any expenses incurred by the Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of Bids.
- The address referred to above is:

Chairman,  
Department Procurement Committee,  
Department of Sri Lanka Customs,  
Customs House,  
No. 40, Main Street,  
Colombo - 11.

Tel: 011 2221680



## SRI JAYEWARDENEPURA GENERAL HOSPITAL

### TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF PHARMACEUTICAL ITEMS

- Sealed Tenders are invited by the Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee of Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital, Thalapatthiya, Nugegoda for the following Drugs & Dressing Items up to 10.00 a.m. on 04.03.2021 under National Competitive Bidding (NCB) method.

Tender No.	Item	Qty.	Non-Refundable Fee (Rs.)
Q 78/21	Drugs - Amoxicillin with Clavulanic Acid 1.2g Injection	99,000 Vials	Rs. 2,500.00
Q 79/21	Drugs for Cardiovascular System - IV - Enoxaparine 40 mg & 60 mg Injection	LOT	Rs. 2,500.00
Q 80/21	Drugs - Human Albumin 20% 50ml Low Salt Injection	9,000 Vials	Rs. 2,500.00
Q 81/21	Sodium Chloride 0.9% 500ml Solution	260,000 Bottles	Rs. 2,500.00
Q 82/21	Hand Sanitizer 5L	1,040 Cans	Rs. 2,500.00
Q 83/21	Blood Glucose Monitor Test Strips for Adults	330,000 Strips	Rs. 2,500.00

A complete set of Bidding Documents in duplicate purchased by any interested eligible Agent or nominee on behalf of a Manufacturer or Tenderer on submission of :

- (i) A written request to the Director, Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital.
- (ii) On payment of a non-refundable fee as stated above to the Accountant SJGH.
- (iii) A photocopy of the Certificate of Business Registration
- Certificate of Registration issued by the Registrar of Companies (Samagam Medura) under the Para 08 of Public Contracts Act should be forwarded along with the offer.
- Bids should be made on the forms provided by the Hospital only. Tenders submitted on the forms other than the forms provided by the Hospital will be rejected.
- Tender documents could be inspected free of charge at the Supplies Office of the Hospital.
- Tender documents can be obtained from the Supplies Office till 03.03.2021 between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on working days.
- Tenders will be closed and opened at 10.00 a.m. on 04.03.2021 at the Lecture Hall of Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital. A representative of the Tenderer can be present at the time of opening of bids.
- Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee reserves himself right of rejecting any or all Tenders / and the right of accepting any portion of the Tender.

Chairman  
Department Procurement Committee,  
Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital,  
Thalapatthiya,  
Nugegoda.



## PEOPLE'S BANK

### TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from reputed Principals / Manufacturers or their accredited Local Agents in Sri Lanka for Supply of 500,000 Nos. of VISA Platinum Debit Cards. The quoted price should indicate prices for VISA Platinum Debit Card as shown below with personalization and without personalization.

Tender No.	Description of the Item	Last date of issuing Documents	Date of Closing Tender
P/024/2021	Visa Platinum Debit Card Quantity - 500,000.	04.03.2021	05.03.2021

- Tender documents could be obtained from People's Bank, Supplies Department, 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02 or via E-mail, upon depositing Rs. 1,500/- for tender document to the Account No. 204100120011913 maintained at Headquarters Branch. Deposit could be made at any People's Bank Branch to the named account. Issuance of Tender Documents will be made on producing the duplicate of cash paying in slip and a request letter between 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. from 12.02.2021 to 04.03.2021 as indicated above on working days of the Bank.
- All prospective bidders are kindly requested to obtain their tender application including all terms and conditions of the tender using e-mail as far as possible due to Covid-19 situation in the country.
- However, all bidders should submit their tender submissions as sealed bids.
- Perfect tender document should be accompanied by a Rs. 500,000/= Bid Guarantee from a Commercial Bank (other than People's Bank) acceptable to the People's Bank for the value mentioned above valid for a minimum period of 180 calendar days from the date of opening the tender. Bank pay orders / Bank drafts (other than People's Bank) with minimum period of 180 Calendar days are also acceptable in lieu of Bid bonds. Cheque drawn by the tenderer will not be accepted.
- 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 tender closing date will be rejected and returned unopened.
- 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 reason.
- Further details could be obtained from Chief Manager (Supplies), People's Bank, Supplies Department, on the telephone numbers 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  
Email : supplies@peoplesbank.lk



## PROCUREMENT NOTICE

### DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTION & HEALTH - UVA PROVINCE

Bids are invited under the National Competitive Bidding procedure for Transport and Supply of Animal Feed, Mineral Mix, Vaccines, Container Cups Brown coloured Chicks as mentioned below, required by the Government Animal Farm, Boralanda, throughout one year period.

	Category of Feed	Annual Requirement
1	Chick Starter Feed Ration - 25 kg bundles	50,000 kg
2	Grower Feed Ration - 50 kg bundles	7,000 kg
3	Layer Feed Ration - 50 kg bundles	95,000 kg
4	Cattle Feed - 50 kg bundles	250,000 kg
5	Calf Feed - 50 kg bundles	10,000 kg
6	Shell Grits - 50 kg bundles	800 kg
7	Mineral Mix - 1 kg packets	2500 kg
8	DL Methionine - 5 kg bundles	50 bundles
9	Printed 500 ml Curd Cups with Lid (with details of nutritional contents and colour combination)	50,000 cups
10	Alufoil Yoghurt Lids (Light Green colour) (unprinted)	100,000 cups
11	Printed 80ml Yoghurt Container cups with Spoon (with details of Nutritional contents and colour combination)	100,000 cups
12	Gumboro Vaccine 1000 dosage vials	80 vials
13	Day old Brown coloured layer Chicks (Batches of 5000)	80,000 Chicks

Your quotation for supply and transport of material mentioned above, once in two weeks or according to the requirements of the Farm (Cattle Feed, Chick Feed, Layer Feed and Brown coloured Chicks) throughout this year, should be sent to the Chairman, Procurement Committee, Department of Animal Production and Health, Daya Gunasekera Mawatha, Badulla by registered post to be received at or before 2.00 p.m. on 08.03.2021 or could be inserted in the Tender Box kept at the above address.

A Registration Certificate (2020/2021) issued by the Registrar of Animal Feed of the Department of Animal Production and Health, Peradeniya under the Animal Feed Act for categories of Animal Feed as a commercial product of standard should be submitted. Further, an Analytical Report obtained recently regarding animal feed should be submitted with Bids. Copies of the Business Registration Certificate, VAT Registration Certificate and the VDCA Certificate in proof of the Standard of Veterinary Drugs should be attached and submitted with the Bids.

Bid documents could be obtained by interested Institutions or individuals on working days from 15.02.2021 up to 08.03.2021 during office hours between 9.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. from the Department of Animal Production and Health at the address below by submitting a letter of request and paying a non-refundable fee of Rs. 1000.00 and a Bid Security of Rs. 10,000.00.

The words "Submission of Quotations for Obtaining material required for the Boralanda Animal Farm" should be written on the top left-hand corner of the envelope containing Bids.

Bids will be opened at 2.00 p.m. on 08.03.2021 and you or an authorized representative could be present on this occasion.

The Supplier should enter into an agreement with this Department regarding the Supplies mentioned above and the selected Suppliers should submit an on-demand Bank Guarantee for 10% of the Contract Value according to the Specimen Form.

You may contact the undermentioned Officer for any clarifications if necessary regarding the above matter.

Name : M.D.N. Nedungoda Post : Development Officer Tel. No. 0552222698 / 0552228646  
Fax No : 0552231243 Email : bids.daphuva@gmail.com

Dr S.K. Weerasundera  
Provincial Director (Uva)  
Chairman - Procurement Committee  
Department of Animal Production & Health.

Telephone : 0552222698



## TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from reputable companies who are capable of Supplying Establish Dell EMC storage and maintenance support for **Colombo International Container Terminals Limited ("CICT")**.

Tender No.	Description of Work
RFQ/01/02/21	Dell EMC storage and maintenance support for Colombo International Container Terminals Ltd.,

Prospective Vendors are requested to obtain Tender Documents (In Electronic Format Only) by email (Email: [ranidu.laksiri@cict.lk](mailto:ranidu.laksiri@cict.lk) of Procurement Department of CICT (Mob/Tel: 0766-666803, 0112-666803)

Please submit your sealed tenders to be received at below address not later than 3:00 pm (local time), on 25th February 2021 and mention "Dell EMC Storage and maintenance Support for Colombo International Container Terminals Ltd" on the Top Left-hand corner of the envelope.

Procurement Department,  
Colombo International Container Terminals Limited,  
Port of Colombo,  
120/20, Marine Drive Road,  
Colombo 01,  
Sri Lanka.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA  
MINISTRY OF HIGHWAYS  
ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



## INVITATION FOR BIDS

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING  
(SINGLE STAGE: TWO ENVELOPE BIDDING)

### SUPPLY OF AGGREGATE MATERIAL TO THE ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ASPHALT PLANTS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (01) YEAR-2021/2022

- The Chairman, Road Development Authority Procurement Committee, on behalf of Road Development Authority (RDA), invites sealed bids for Supply of Aggregate material to Road Development Authority Asphalt Plants for a period of One (01) year (2021/2022) from the interested Suppliers
- As per the Public Contract Act No. 03 of 1987, the Agent and successful winners of the tender shall be registered in the Department of Registrar of Companies

No.	Contract No	Description	Size of Aggregate (mm)	Annual Total Quantity (MT)	Bid Security (Rs)
01.	RDA/DPR/KEAG/2021/37	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Keragala	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
02.	RDA/DPR/INAG/2021/38	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Ingiriya	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
03.	RDA/DPR/KOAG/2021/39	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Kotadeniyawa	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
04.	RDA/DPR/MEDAG/2021/40	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Medayaya	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
05.	RDA/DPR/KOTHAG/2021/41	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Kothmale	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
06.	RDA/DPR/SOOAG/2021/42	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Sooriyawewa	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
07.	RDA/DPR/AMAG/2021/43	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt plant at Ambanpola	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
08.	RDA/DPR/MEAG/2021/44	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Medawachchiya	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	48,000 21,500 17,000	1,600,000.00
09.	RDA/DPR/BAAG/2021/45	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Balangoda	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	40,000 27,500 20,000	1,700,000.00
10.	RDA/DPR/POAG/2021/46	Supply of Aggregate Materials to Asphalt Plant at Polonnaruwa	0 - 5 5 - 12.5 12.5 - 19	48,000 21,500 17,000	1,600,000.00

- Bidding will be conducted through the **National Competitive Bidding (Single Stage: Two Envelope Bidding)**
- Interested Suppliers may obtain further information from the Procurement Division, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Maganeguma Mahamedura Road Development Authority, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla (Telephone: 011-2884790, 2046482, Fax: 011-2884790) and bidding documents shall be inspected during office hours free of charge at the above office
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language shall be purchased by interested bidders from the office of the Director (Procurement), Road Development Authority, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla from **15/02/2021** until **08/03/2021** during 09:00 hrs. to 15:00 hrs. Upon payment of bidding document fee of **Rs. 12,000.00 by depositing to the Bank of Ceylon - Corporate Branch Account Number 0000001943 in favor of Director General, Road Development Authority for each Contract.** The original payment slip should be produced when purchasing the Bid documents.
- Pre bid meeting will be held on **24<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 10:00 hrs** at the Procurement Division, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura" Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla
- Bidders are required to submit simultaneously two separate sealed envelopes, one containing the Technical Bid and a copy and the other envelope containing Price Bid and a copy both enclosed in one sealed envelope to **Director (Procurement), Road Development Authority, 04<sup>th</sup> Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla** on or before **14:00 hrs. on 09/03/2021**. Price Bids of the bidders who are technically qualified shall be opened in public on a later date and that date shall be informed in due course. Late bids will be rejected.
- Please indicate **"Supply of Aggregate Material for Asphalt Plant at (Name of Asphalt Plant)"** On top left corner of the envelope (as relevant to the Bid)
- Bid shall be valid up to 91 calendar days from the date closing of the Bid. Each bid shall be accompanied by a **Bid Security valid up to 06/07/2021 for the amount mentioned above and should be attached with the Technical Bid.** Any Bid not accompanied by a valid Bid security will be rejected

The Chairman  
Road Development Authority Procurement Committee  
Road Development Authority

## DISTRICT GENERAL HOSPITAL NUWARA ELIYA

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received, under the National Competitive Bidding Procedure, to attend to the under mentioned subject work of this Hospital.

Bid No.	Subject Work	Minimum ICTAD Grade	Non refundable Fee -Rs.-	Value of Bid Security (Refundable) -Rs.-	Allocated Funds Rupees Million
DGH/NE/AL/NCB/03/01/2021	Renovating of the Old Ward No. 01 as a Covid Ward.	C 07	2000.00	40,000.00	8
DGH/NE/AL/NCB/03/02/2021	Supply and fixing of Racks and Improvements to the Drugs Store.	C 07	2000.00	30,000.00	6

- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding Procedure.
- Relevant bid documents can be obtained from 12.02.2021 up to 28.02.2021 between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. and on 01.03.2021 between 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m., from the head office of the District General Hospital, Nuwara Eliya.
- Quotations in two copies as original and duplicate placed in separate sealed covers and the two covers should then be placed in a single sealed cover marked "Bid quotations for renovating of old Ward No. 01 as a Covid Ward and fixing of racks and improvements to the Drugs Store" at the left side top corner, could either be sent by registered post addressed to Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, District General Hospital, Nuwara Eliya or placed in the tender box kept at the office of the Accountant, to be received at or before **11.30 a.m. on 01.03.2021**.
- Bids received will be opened at **11.30 a.m. on 01.03.2021**. Bidders or their authorized representatives can be present at the bid opening.
- The Regional Procurement Committee retains the right to take the final decision with regard to this bid.

Chairman,  
Regional Procurement Committee,  
District General Hospital,  
Nuwara Eliya.  
Tel No. 052-2224307



## 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
CES/FP/05/PT/6154(MP)	14 Nos. Trolley and Catenary Trolley Wire Rope for STS Cranes at ECT	55,000.00	1,000.00	16.03.2021 10.00 hrs.
CES/FP/02/PT/6146(EL)	1500 M of Elastic Cords for JCT Cranes	22,000.00	1,000.00	16.03.2021 10.00 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/07/059	5040 Liters, Trans Fluid Oil P - 157	24,000.00	1,000.00	05.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/20/055	32 Nos. Motor Tyres 2100x25 40 PLY Tubeless	18,000.00	1,000.00	05.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/17/055	60 Nos. Rotary Type AC Compressor	20,000.00	1,000.00	05.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/19/PT/04/058	Leather Shoes (462 - Pairs)	16,000.00	1,000.00	08.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/07/060	4992 Liters, Transynd Synthetic Fluid TES 295 (AN - 011001)	129,800.00	3,500.00	08.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/17/053	5000 Nos. Safety Shoes for year 2021	170,000.00	3,500.00	08.03.2021 13.30 hrs. Pre Bid Meeting Date & Time 22.02.2021 10.00 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/08/057	Spares for Weka Box Coolers of Dredger Hansakawa	40,000.00	1,000.00	09.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/08/059	Marine Quality Paint and Thinner for Tug Nandimithra	55,000.00	1,000.00	09.03.2021 13.30 hrs.
CMS/LP/20/PT/08/056	High Expansion Foam - 2000 Liter	42,200.00	1,000.00	10.03.2021 13.30 hrs.

- Bidders are hereby informed that the provisions of Public Contracts Act No. 03 of 1987 are applicable to tenders total cost exceeding Rs. 5 Million. Accordingly, all parties involved in each aforementioned tender 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.
- 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.
- 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> February 2021 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 Security.

Chief Manager (Supplies & Material Management)  
Supplies Division,  
Sri Lanka Ports Authority,  
No. 45, Leyden Bastian Road,  
Colombo 01.

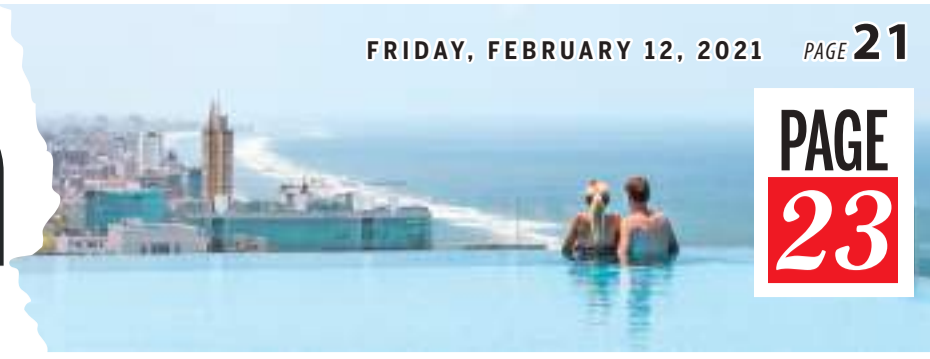
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ISHARA JAYAWARDANE

There is a quote by Roy Bennett who says - 'No one has ever achieved greatness without dreams'. Our vanity has made us so audacious that we have mastered our environment and created anything that we conceived of in our minds. We can see Colombo growing every day and taking form all around us. However as President, Sri Lanka Institute of Architects, Veranjan Kurukulasuriya points out, there is polarization. Also social issues have sprung up all around us like weeds in a garden.

### VANITY

Most of us are vain. Most of us like to drive one of the top 10 luxury car brands. Most of us like to wear designer clothing. But somewhere down the line society split into the haves and the have-nots and this was long before the luxury car brands and designer clothing. It happened long ago when groups decided to set themselves apart from the others. Vanity is truly our favorite sin.

"We see a polarization of people; the city is becoming a place NOT meant for the ordinary men; it is only for the rich; it is also becoming cosmopolitan-international. Even the Chinese national day is celebrated in Colombo. That is a world-wide trend. But in Sri Lanka we have only one primate city (A primate city usually refers to a city that is disproportionately large in terms of population size relative to other cities contained within a given geographically bounded area, such as a region, a nation, or even the globe) and that is becoming exclusive leaving out the common man. It is a socio-economic trend. In the West where the middle class is more than 90 percent, this is not an issue. But in Sri Lanka where more than 50 percent are below the poverty line this is a social issue," explained Kurukulasuriya.

Entertainment, sporting events, cinemas, carnivals, parks, festivals and restaurants are what we live for. There's nothing wrong with having fun. Cities should provide enjoyment.

"The City is for citi-zens, i.e. city-people, 'urban men' living urban lives in the city, viz. out-going with a lot of options available - entertainment, sporting events, theatre/cinemas, discussion forums, carnivals, parks, religious festivals, restaurants and street festivals similar to cities that we used to have centuries ago. In short a city is to live-work-play. City is not for millions to come in the morning and leave in the evening. So obviously the role of Colombo needs to change and the built form must change accordingly," pointed out Kurukulasuriya.

### CHALLENGES

"Port City will bring in service providing jobs in hotels etc. It will probably bring in money if the world springs back to a semblance of normalcy out of Covid19. It will also be like Las Vegas! But is that what we want? Gambling has always been considered as a vice- not engaged in by those who have self-respect and pride in their capabilities. This country with so much fertility so much culture and so much wisdom need not blindly follow the West," added Kurukulasuriya.

We all talk about Green Cities. But a city is not green if it is polluted. One method to mitigate the problem of greenhouse gases is by fixing the transport problem. Because one major source of greenhouse gases is Transport. More private vehicles on the road with the congestion means more greenhouse gas emissions. If we can have a better public transport system and if we had less congestion on our streets through Decentralization, then we can really reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions.

"Colombo was green anyway and it can become a green city. It is not difficult for us because we have not yet reached the destructive complexity the Western cities (physically, socially and economically) have become. Functions of Colombo must be decentralized to the suburbs. If we want the city to be green, then most of us must



Veranjan Kurukulasuriya

walk to work places which means we must live in the city. The mass movement of people on a daily basis requires complex transport systems. Those are not necessary if we plan properly," said Kurukulasuriya.

### WALKING

There is something about walking that makes sense. One is the exercise. It is healthy. It also reduces the Greenhouse gas emissions that you might release if you were driving a private car. Also when you use public transport you develop an understanding of bus routes. So in the event you are stranded without a car, you will have no problem getting from one place to another if you know the bus routes. "Walking should be the major mode of transport to work. If we get that right, parking will sort by itself. For instance, schools need to be decentralized.

Royal College primaries must be relocated in outstations by converting schools outside as Royal Colleges. So those students do not need to come to Colombo. Colombo has less than 100,000 of school going age and that is what Colombo schools have to cater for. However since the government officers from Colombo schools do not want their schools broken into parts, such proposals do not receive any attention," pointed out Kurukulasuriya. He pointed out that he has seen Colombo alive day and night about 40 years ago. It is a dead place today. If you can bring back urban activities to Colombo it will become alive again. "The way things are going, and according to the existing plans, I do not have much hope."

He added that the main impediment is that we have failed to develop an architectural language of our own- especially for cities. But for that matter most countries in the developing world have also failed in that respect. The world cities are beginning to look alike.

### DON'T BE ARTIFICIAL

"We are aping the West. We do not even have a dialogue on these issues. We have taken the Western lifestyles as the ideal to strive for.

But the FACT is if all the people in the world are going to achieve the average standard of an American, then we need the resources of four additional planets. Since we don't have that, it follows that we are after a mirage or that if some reach that goal, then some others would have to slide down the scale of standards. And the city form reflects its lifestyles.

So Colombo is becoming an artificial city suitable for only a few who are living American lives.

The main impediment for our development (architecture included) is that most of us are outdated (not the technology). We don't think out of the box. In this age when services are available online and where one is living does not really matter (work-from-home is easy) have we changed our living patterns or our city functions accordingly? It may be difficult for developed countries but it is easy for us with only 600, 000 living in the main city," explained Kurukulasuriya.



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**EMILY JACKSON**  
Here's Everything You Need to Know to Keep Your Indoor Cat Happy and Healthy

**T**he best cat care tips make your cat happy and healthy. Because you want the best for your furry friend—right? For starters, I am going to assume you will keep your cat indoors to ensure its safety and wellbeing.

But unfortunately, indoor cats can suffer from a lack of exercise, specific health issues, and boredom. That's where these cat care tips come in handy.

Here are my 10 best cat care tips that will make your indoor cats happy and healthy.

**CHOOSE THE RIGHT CAT**

Adopting a kitten may seem less challenging than bringing a stray cat into the house, but it is not always so. Like people, cats have individual personalities. So, it is crucial to determine the type of pet you want to bring at home.

Do you have your heart set on an energetic kitten? Or would you like to adopt a mature cat that won't be so hyperactive? Are you willing to welcome an older rescued cat that may have become accustomed to living freely on the streets?

Depending on your home situation, a more sedentary older cat may be a better choice than a young kitten. Older cats are far less likely to climb or destroy things throughout the house. You will probably have a better experience with cats that are used to living indoors, but it depends on each animal's personality. Spay or Neuter to Improve Your Cat's Behavior

One of the best cat care tips is spay or neuter your pet to prevent inappropriate behavior caused by hormones. This will help prevent your cat from searching for a mate or destroying your furniture.

Plus, spaying or neutering will minimize the possibility of reproductive dis-

eases—and prevent an unwanted litter of cats in the event your pet gets outdoors.

**PERSONAL SPACE AND SLEEPING AREA**

Territory is one of the essential issues for cats, especially if you have more than one. Even though some cats are friendly and social, and refusing to use the litter box. A cat tree or tower is ideal for indoor cats. It's a great compact playground for one or more cats.

Your goal is to prevent competition between your pets and consequent behavior problems, including spraying, destructive scratching, and refusing to use the litter box. An accessible shelf, or a large comfortable pillow can be ideal solutions. For instance, my kitties prefer relaxing in wicker baskets, while my dog enjoys sleeping in the armchair.

Most cats like to play together, but you should provide their own space for moments of privacy. A cat tree or tower, an accessible shelf, or a large comfortable pillow can be ideal solutions. For instance, my kitties prefer relaxing in wicker baskets, while my dog enjoys sleeping in the armchair.

**DIET AND FRESH WATER**

Outdoor animals hunt for food and usually eat many small meals daily. On the other hand, indoor cats don't need to wander in search of prey. Consequently, they don't exercise enough. They intake too many calories, which leads to weight gain.

Always provide adequate meals and pesticide-free grass for your cat to keep it healthy and in good physical condition. Plus, make sure that it has fresh water available at all times. In most cases, the water bowl will be enough, but cats adore fountains or bubbling fish tanks, as well.

**CAT EXERCISE**

Place horizontal and vertical cat scratching posts throughout your home to encourage

your kitty to exercise enough. Add cat toys and a sisal rope to intrigue it to stretch and flex its muscles.

Installed perches on windows will encourage your fur baby to jump and climb throughout the day. Cat scratching posts come in vertical and horizontal designs.

**CAT TOYS FOR ENTERTAINMENT AND FUN**

Most cats enjoy interactive cat toys and incentive games. However, you should rotate new toys at least once in a week or two to prevent your furry friend from getting bored.

In my experience, you don't need to spend a lot of

money on expensive toys since most cats enjoy hiding inside cardboard boxes. My babies prefer shoe boxes even though they are too big for such a small space.

Offer your cat a ball, shoelace, or entertain it with laser light pointers. That will be enough to make it happy and in excellent shape.

Regularly brush your cat's fur and trim its claws. Additional brushing helps prevent hairballs from forming in his or her stomach, especially if you have long-haired breeds.

Avoid bathing your cat, since it hates water. (Quite unlike the typical dog, which will probably enjoy having a bath.)

**CAT LITTER BOXES**

Always place litter boxes in safe and accessible places. Take care to keep them clean and unscented. Please provide at least one litter box per cat. Scoop them clean daily.

The PetSafe Scoop-Free Automatic Self-Cleaning Cat Litter Box automatically removes pet waste from the litter. It includes disposable litter trays and a hood.

It is wise to experiment with different types of litter boxes in the very beginning. (There are covered litter boxes, uncovered litter boxes, and lots of different designs.) That way, your furry friend will decide which one is an ideal choice for its needs.

**PETS IN PAIRS**

If possible, always keep at least two cats, especially if you work most of the day. With a new buddy, your dearest baby won't be lonely and bored. Keep in mind that running and playing together will keep your furry friends stimulated and happy.

In the end, I have three more pieces of advice for you. Love your pet. Pay attention to it. And cuddle it as much as possible.

You will be surprised how little it takes for a new member or your family to be happy and content in your home

## Snow whiter at the White House!

CHAMP AND MAJOR BIDEN, THE FIRST DOGS TO LIVE IN THE WHITE HOUSE IN FOUR YEARS



Champ and Major Biden are loving their first snow day at the White House.

**O**n Sunday, President Joe Biden's two German Shepherds were photographed enjoying their time in the snow on the White House South Lawn in a tweet shared by the president's granddaughter, Naomi Biden.

In the snap, Major can be seen running around on the grounds while Champ decided to take it easy, sitting comfortably in the snow.

"Snow day!!," Naomi captioned the sweet post.

Champ and Major officially moved into

the White House on Jan. 24, just four days after Biden, 78, was officially inaugurated as the 46th President of the United States.

"The First Family wanted to get settled before bringing the dogs down to Washington from Delaware. Champ is enjoying his new dog bed by the fireplace, and Major loved running around on the South Lawn," First Lady Dr. Jill Biden's press secretary Michael LaRosa told CNN at the time.

Champ and Major are the first pooches to live in the White House in four years, as former President Donald Trump was the first president to not have a dog since President William McKinley in 1897, per



US President Joe Biden and First Lady Jill Biden with their dogs

CBS News.

Major is making history as the first rescue dog to live at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. The Biden family adopted Major from the Delaware Humane Association (DHA) in November 2018, 10 years after they welcomed their first German Shepherd, Champ.

President Biden and Dr. Biden got Champ around Christmas 2008 and brought the beloved pet with them to the vice presidential residence at the U.S. Naval Observatory during former Vice President Joe Biden's two terms with former President Barack Obama. Champ got his

name from the nickname Biden's father gave him when he was a boy.

Both Champ and Major have already made their presence known at their new home. The dogs could be heard barking in the background following a press conference on Jan. 25 from the Oval Office, according to a tweet from C-SPAN Communications Director Howard Mortman.

Dr. Biden has also hinted that she and the president may be looking into getting a cat, as well. "Well, I'd love to get a cat. I love having animals around the house," she told Fox 5's Angie Goff in November.

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**DOG CARE**



## COLOUR CODE OF EXCRETA OF DOGS

**Dr GCS KURUGALA,**  
Veterinary Surgeon,  
(B.V.Sc; M.Sc Poultry Science; Master of Public Administration & Management)

**A**s a responsible owner you should examine the nature of your dog's excreta because it says a lot about your pet's health. The information regarding the colour of your dog's excreta is very important for the vet to diagnose the illness of the dog.

Dogs' excreta comes in different colours. Normally it should be brown. In abnormal situations the colour can vary from black or very dark to red, pink, purple, grey or greasy, white spotting, yellow, orange or green. Here's how to tell if your dog's excreta is healthy or not.

**Black-** It could be a sign of blood entering their stomach and getting digested. This can mean that your dog may have an ulcer in its stomach or intestines. It could be a sign that your dog has been poisoned.

**Red -** Red is a sure sign of blood. This could result from inflammation or bleeding in their gastrointestinal tract, an injury in your dog's rectum, an infection in your dog's anus or anal glands, or the worst scenario could be a tumor

**With mucous -** A slight mucous layer is normal. When a very substantial, thick layer of mucous covers the stools, your pooch has inflammation in his colon from dietary indigestion, stress, parasites or an infection.

**Pink or purple-** Stools can be a symptom of gut injury caused by a variety of things, including, diseases of your dog's immune system, intestinal parasites/bacteria

**Grey or greasy -** Stools coming in big, soft mounds, could mean an illness in the pancreas better known as maldigestion. German Shepherds and Collies are especially prone to getting this. A vet can treat this condition in your dog easily.

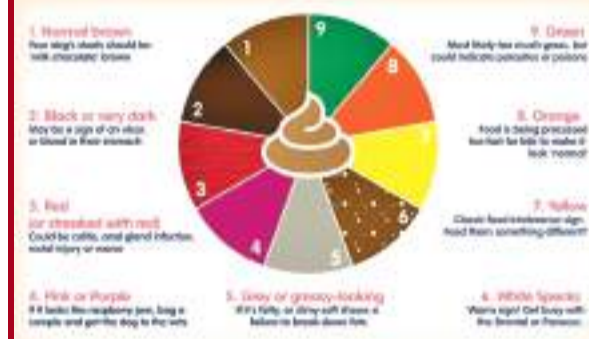
**White spotting -** If their excreta has little white spots in it, your dog might have worms. Take your pet to the vet soon for deworming.

**Yellow -** If your dog's stools are coming out yellow, it could be a sign of an upset stomach due to food intolerance. Be careful of what your dog eats.

**Orange -** Stools in orange colour could mean problems in their liver, gall bladder or bile ducts. Sometimes, the reason could be that the food it eats passing too quickly through its gut.

**Green-** Green stools can be a sign that your dog's eating way too much grass. It could signify something much worse, though, like parasites or eating rat poison.

If excreta of your dog are not normal, observe and get more information and check if it occurs continuously. If so meet the vet immediately. Better if you can take a photo of it at least in case if you cannot take a sample.



## Bundles of joy in need of kind homes

**W**ould anyone like to adopt these homeless pups? Males and females. They are adorable, but sadly no one wants to adopt them. 3-4 months old. Some of them are still on the streets and won't last too long. Two sadly got run over as well.

We will vaccinate, deworm and provide transport too. Some are already sterilized, but can arrange sterilizations for the other pups too. To adopt and love to bits pls call 0777567122

You will be changing their lives by a simple act of kindness!

# 'Fabulous February' offers at MHJ

**M**allika Hemachandra Jewellers (MHJ), announced 'Fabulous February', a lineup of attractive offers and promotions offered to customers throughout the month. Accordingly, customers can enjoy up to 35 percent discounts and Zero interest installments up to 60 months for purchases made in February. The Fabulous February gift collection features a gifts starting at Rs 11,000 and 22kt gold valentine (personalized) pendants for just the gold price only.



In addition, MHJ's Fabulous February also includes a promotion on gold chains for just the gold price when customers purchase jewellery over the value of Rs 50,000 as well as a chance to win romantic getaways at the Marriott Bay - Weligama. Customers can also enjoy a special discounts on the latest Peacock Collection in 22kt gold along with exclusive old gold jewellery exchange rates.

"At MJH, we have always put our customers first. February is a month in which the world celebrates romantic love. In these challenging times, celebrating love is more important than ever. Hence, we decided to offer our customers a lineup of offers and promotions in celebration of the month of romantic love," commented Managing Director Chamindri Hemachandra.

Customers can purchase MJH designer pieces at all their seven branches or shop online. MJH offers free delivery within Western Province within two days of the purchase for customers who purchase online.

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# "A Parisian Love Story" at Galadari

The best way to celebrate Valentine's

**T**he Galadari Colombo is taking on a Parisian touch this Valentine's, the best way to fall in love. You will find the sweetest gifts for the one you love at the Goodie Hut located in the Lobby. Take a pick from a range of goodies which include cupcakes, cookies, chocolates to a variety of decorated cakes and much more, from February 4 to 14. The hotel's signature Valentine's cake "True Love" was made especially for the 'sweethearted'. This is a melt-in-your-mouth white chocolate strawberry cheesecake the ideal gift for that special person.

Do not miss out on the Valentine's High Tea on February 13 where you can indulge in an endless selection of Valentine's inspired teatime treats that will melt your heart.

The Coffee Shop has the most romantic dinner in town on Valentine's Day, the perfect way to say, "I Love You". This Valentine's inspired dinner buffet also comes coupled with a spectacular Valentine's Room Promo. Choose from several packages to make your celebration complete. Make memories this Valentine's and be a part of the "Parisian Love Story", it is all happening at the Galadari Colombo. -SM



# With love from the Mövenpick Hotel Colombo



**F**all madly in love with what the Mövenpick Hotel Colombo has to offer. Woo your sweetheart with these romantic options in the heart

Someone special to impress? Let the Vistas Rooftop help you set the scene and guaranteed to melt the hardest of hearts. Feast on a delicately curated menu that will make your heart skip a beat, too. Dine under the stars, with your own private space decked out in magnificent floral arrangements and exceptional service, twenty-four levels high. Indulge in a delectable five-course set menu. Available at the Vistas Rooftop from 7. pm to 10.30 pm on February 14 only.

Dreaming of a Valentine's day escape? The hotel has put together an unforgettable Valentine's Day package. Check into a beautifully appointed room and get away from it all with your loved one for a romantic breakfast in bed, homemade chocolates and cocktails for two at the Vistas Rooftop. Upgrade to a gastronomic half board experience and enjoy a romantic dinner for two at the Robata Grill and Lounge in your own cosy private booth.

Escape the hustle and bustle for the day and enjoy unimaginably good food and wine paired with stunning views from your beautiful room. Check in as early as 8 am and depart at 6 pm for two which also includes sunset cocktails at the Vistas Rooftop Bar.

That's not all. Guests can also spend more at the Vistas Rooftop and get a luxurious room absolutely free.

Take away something special from the Lobby Lounge as the hotel's talented Pastry Chef offers guests an array of special Valentine's Day cakes and chocolates or have them delivered to your doorstep via [www.gourmet.movenpickcolombo.com](http://www.gourmet.movenpickcolombo.com) featuring a range of exclusive cakes.

All room offers are valid on February 12, 13 and 14. For reservations please call 7 450 450 or email [hotel.colombo.reservations@movenpick.com](mailto:hotel.colombo.reservations@movenpick.com)



**I**n honour of St. Valentine and the celebration of true love, The Kingsbury Colombo has an exciting line up of events, carefully curated to make this Valentine's Day meaningful and memorable.

Indulge, celebrate and enjoy the day of love on February 14 with A High Tea To Love, A Classic Valentine's Day Romance, Cocktails and Kisses and All You Need Is Love.

A High Tea To Love is the Churros patisserie's nod to the season of love, with a scrumptious spread of savoury and sweet delights from special cakes to macarons and everything in between from 3 pm to 5:30pm.

Cocktails & Kisses will take place at the Honey Beach Club, where you can groove to the tunes of Warehouse Project at 5 pm - bring your special someone, your tribe or just bring yourself!

You could also head over to the King's Steakbar and enjoy A Classic Valentine's Day Romance with premium meats, handcrafted cocktails and full-bodied wines from 6.30pm.

All You Need Is Love at the Sky Lounge as you take your love to new heights from

# True Love at The Kingsbury



7 pm onwards. Savour a romantic meal and the blissful feeling of being on top of the world.

For those seeking to enjoy the day in the comfort and safety of their homes with their loved ones, The Kingsbury's Indulgence platform has a wide range of delectable Valentine's inspired goodies for you to order to your heart's delight; from cookies, to cakes, to wine and roses, and elegant gift boxes.

Valentine's Day is not only about couples;

it is also a day when love should be celebrated for the wondrous joy it brings. Come, raise a toast to love at The Kingsbury.

Visit [www.thekingsburyhotel.com](http://www.thekingsburyhotel.com) or follow [www.instagram.com/thekingsbury](https://www.instagram.com/thekingsbury) for further details.

The Kingsbury Colombo received the 'Safe and Secure Tourism' Compliance Certificate in 2020 from the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority (SLTDA). -AK

# Blissful Romance at Amaya Resorts and Spas

**S**t. Valentine's Day - when love is celebrated the world over; when you make that extra special effort to show that special someone in your life how much they mean to you. Why not escape to the verdant, misty hill country or the cultural triangle this Valentine's weekend and pay homage to love with Amaya Resorts and Spas?

In the cooler climes of Nuwara Eliya, at the Langdale Boutique Hotel and the Oliphant Boutique Villa, indulgence and romance will take pride of place. Pre-dinner cocktails, a decorated room with complimentary cookies and chocolates, high tea in the garden, a bubbly breakfast in bed as well as a 5-course candlelit dinner with a choice of wines - truly a dreamy getaway not to be missed.

On February 14, Amaya Hills in Kandy will host a Valentine's inspired High Tea as well as a candlelit dinner with a choice of red/white wines at the Restaurant terrace, with the panoramic views of Kandy below.

Amaya Lake in Dambulla, meanwhile, will take romance to the shores of the majestic Kandalama Lake, with a 5-course candlelit dinner with a choice of red/white wines. Both Amaya Hills and Amaya Lake have special offers on overnight stays as well.

Stroll hand in hand, gaze upon the scenic landscapes and escape into a world of your own, with Amaya Resorts and Spas. Visit [www.amayarresorts.com](http://www.amayarresorts.com) or follow [www.instagram.com/amayarresort](https://www.instagram.com/amayarresort) for further details.

The Amaya Resorts and Spas chain consists of resort hotels and luxury bungalows that offer discerning travelers the holiday of their dreams across strategic locations in Sri Lanka.

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**Invitation for Bids**  
Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Program  
Ministry of Agriculture  
**Procurement of Machinery and Equipment for Kahaththewela Potato Project**  
Contract Number : SAPP/PR/4P/POTATO/21

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received a Loan from the International Fund for Agricultural Development toward the cost of **Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Program** and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Loan to payments under the Contract for above procurement.
- The Chairman of the Program Procurement Committee (PPC) on behalf of the **Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Program**, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the supply of Machinery and Equipment as below for Kahaththewela Potato Project which is implemented through **Janatha Govi Samagama**. More information is in the bidding documents.

SN	Name of the Item	Qty
1	Potato peeler	1
2	French fry strip cutter machine	1
3	Spinning machine for removal of surface water	1
4	Spinning machine for removal of surface oil	1
5	Batter coat machine	1
6	Deep fryer	1
7	Blancher (Bucket type)	1
8	Continuous French fry strip surface dryer	1
9	Quality Checking Conveyor	1
10	Blast Freezer	1
11	Freeze storage for frozen French fries	1

- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) method.
- Interested eligible bidders can download relevant bidding documents through our website : [www.sapp.lk](http://www.sapp.lk) (**Please refer Download - Procurement sub headings**).
- Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 2.30 p.m. on **26th February 2021**. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after closing the bids on **26th February 2021** in the presence of the bidders or their representatives at the address. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Securing Declaration as specified in the **Bidding Documents**.

**Chairman, Program Procurement Committee**  
**Smallholder Agribusiness Partnerships Program, No. 288, DPJ Tower, 5th Floor, Sri Jayawardanepura Mawatha, Rajagiriya.**

**COLOMBO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**  
**PROCUREMENT NOTICE**

Municipal Commissioner of Colombo Municipal Council invites sealed bids for the procurement of following Service & Item from eligible and qualified bidders.

Reference No.	Description
1. CPD12/120/2021	Procurement of Stationery & office needs.
2. CPD16/30/2021	Providing Janitorial Services to Colombo City Limit Municipal Premises 2021 - 01 (10 Locations).

Bidding documents (Original & Duplicate) could be obtained by two methods.

- Download from the CMC website ([www.colombo.mc.gov.lk](http://www.colombo.mc.gov.lk))
  - Non-refundable bidding document fee of Rs. 5400/= can be paid by following method.
    - Any People's Bank branch to credit **People's Bank, Town Hall Branch, Acc. No. 167-1-001-6-3169425**.
    - Payment counters of following Municipal premises of Colombo city limit from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on weekdays.
      - District Office 04, No. 147, High Level Road, Kirulapone, Colombo 06.
      - Drainage & Water Supply Division, Maligakanda, Colombo 10.
  - It is mandatory to attach the receipt / slip with the bidding document.
- Collect from Town Hall Premises.
  - Bidding documents could be obtained from the office of **Chief Accountant (Procurement), Central Procurement Department, Colombo Municipal Council, Town Hall, Colombo 07** on submission of a written request during working days from 9.00 am. to 3.00 p.m. till 04th March 2021, upon payment of a non-refundable bidding document fee of Rs. 5400/= for each to the Shroff counters of Town Hall Premises.

Bidding documents will not be available on the website / issued after 3.00 p.m. on 04th March 2021.

Duly filled sealed bidding documents (original with duplicate) should be deposited in the Tender box (Bid box) kept at the **Municipal Secretary's Department, Town Hall, Colombo 07** at or before 10.00 a.m. on 05th March 2021.

Bids will be closed at 10.00 a.m. on 05th March 2021 and will be opened immediately thereafter. Authorized representatives of the bidders are allowed to be present at the opening.

Clarifications (if any) shall be sought from the Chief Accountant (Procurement) on Tel. 0112686389, 0112673173.

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**LOCAL AREA NETWORK SOLUTIONS FOR ETF BOARD**  
Bid File No. : ETF/PROC/A/2020/097

The Chairman, Department Procurement Committee (DPC) on behalf of the ETF Board invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the **Local Area Network Solutions for ETF Board**

Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding.

Interested eligible bidders shall comply with criteria such as;

- The Bidder must be a reputed ICT solutions and Service provider in Sri Lanka
- The Bidder should have minimum 5 years of experience in the relevant field
- The Bidder must have an average annual turnover of LKR 30 million over the financial years of 2017, 2018, 2019 as per audited accounts
- Bidder should not have been black-listed by the government of Sri Lanka

A complete set of Bidding document in English language could be examined at ETF Board Procurement Section, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 44/5, Narahenpita Road, Nawala and could be collected with making a payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs.2500/= during the office hours of 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. from **12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

Sealed bids in duplicate shall be deposited in the Tender Box No. 07 kept at Supplies Section, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 44/5, Narahenpita Road, Nawala.

Acceptance of bids shall be closed at 10.30 a.m. on **5<sup>th</sup> March 2021** and bid opening would be take place immediate afterwards. Bids receive after deadline would be treated as late bids and therefore, those bids shall be rejected.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Manager (Procurement) contact through Telephone No. 011- 2806198.

All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security value Rs.150, 000/= from a reputed Commercial Bank in Sri Lanka and validity up to **4<sup>th</sup> June 2021**.

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### Western Provincial Department of Education

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Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, on behalf of the Zonal Education Office, Colombo, invites sealed Bids from eligible and qualified Bidders up to 10.00 a.m. on 08.03.2021 for the Purchase of undermentioned Goods and for the Supply of following Services to the Zonal Education Office, Colombo.

**Responsibility : Procurement Committee, Zonal Education Office, Colombo.**

Serial No.	Category of Goods / Equipment / Services	Refundable Bid Security Deposit (Rs. Cts.)	Non Refundable Fee (Rs. Cts.)
1.	Provision of Security Service for the Gothami Balika Vidyalaya	20,000.00	500.00
2.	Provision of Security Service to the Yashodara Balika Vidyalaya	20,000.00	500.00
3.	Provision of the Sanitary Services to Yashodara Balika Vidyalaya	20,000.00	500.00
4.	Supply of 810 Nos. Chairs to the Kularatna Hall of the Ananda Vidyalaya	20,000.00	500.00
5.	Purchase of 10 Nos. E/Boards to the Ananda Vidyalaya	20,000.00	500.00
6.	Provision of Food and Beverages and other Goods / Materials to the In-House Sessions / festivities	10,000.00	500.00
7.	Renovations / Repairs and Maintenance Works of the Electrical Systems, Water Pipes, Plumbing and Toilet / Drainage Systems and new Fittings / Installations and Repairs and Maintenance of the Buildings of the Zonal Education Office, Colombo.	10,000.00	500.00
8.	Purchase of Damaged / Discarded Books and other Scrap Items	5,000.00	500.00

- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure.
- Quantity of the items to be purchased will be decided upon the amount of the Established Price and upon the Price per unit. (Quantity to be purchased may vary as per the price).
- Copies of the Bidding Documents could be purchased by interested Bidders on production of the receipt for payment of the required non-refundable fee, as indicated in the Schedule above, to Shroff of the Zonal Education Office, Colombo from 9.00 a.m. on 12.02.2021 to 3.00 p.m. on 05.03.2021 on working days (from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.) to the Procurement Division of the said office.
- The receipt issued for the payment of the non-refundable fee (Rs. 500.00), paid in favour of the Director, Zonal Education, Colombo and the written request on a business letterhead of the Institution of the Bidder should also be submitted.
- Sealed Bids should either be sent by Registered Post, addressed to the Director (Zonal Education), Zonal Education Office, Colombo, Vithanage Mawatha, Colombo 02 or deposited in the Tender Box kept at the Zonal Education Office, Colombo to be received at or before 10.00 a.m. on 08.03.2021 and the caption to effect (**Quotation for .....**) should be clearly indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope enclosing Bids.
- Sealed Bids should be submitted in duplicate (two copies, marked as 'Original' and 'Duplicate')**.
- Bids will be closed at 10.00 a.m. on 08.03.2021 and will be opened at 10.30 a.m. on the same day at the Zonal Education Office, Colombo in the presence of the Bidder or his accredited Agent / Representative, who chooses to attend.
- Further details, could be had by interested eligible and qualified Bidders from the Accountant, Zonal Education Office, Colombo over Telephone No. 0112-447116.

**Chairman**  
**Regional Procurement Committee,**  
**Colombo Zonal Education Office,**  
**Vithanage Mawatha, Colombo 02.**  
12.02.2021

## PEOPLE'S BANK

### TENDER NOTICE


Sealed tenders are hereby invited from reputed Service Providers for transporting of Bank Safes which are to be shifted from one location to another throughout the island for the period of 01.04.2021 to 31.03.2022 and details are given below.

Tender No.	Description	Value of Bid Security	Last date & time of issuing Documents	Date & time of closing tender
T 023/2021	Transporting of Bank Safes	Rs. 25,000.00	24.02.2021 at 2.00 p.m.	25.02.2021 at 2.00 p.m.

- Tender documents could be obtained from People's Bank, Supplies Department, 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02 by depositing Rs. 1500.00 for each tender document to the Account No. 204100120011913 maintained at Headquarters Branch. Deposit could be made at any People's Bank Branch to the named account. Issuance of Tender documents will be made on receiving the scan copy of the cash paying in slip via e-mail (supplies@peoplesbank.lk) between 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. from **12.02.2021 to 24.02.2021** as indicated above on working days of the Bank. Tender documents will be sent upon receiving the deposit slip with company request letter.
- All prospective bidders are kindly requested to obtain their tender application including all terms and conditions, tender using e-mail due to Covid-19 situation in the country.
- However, all bidders should submit their tender submissions as sealed bids.
- Each perfected tender document should be accompanied by a Bank Guarantee/Bid Bond from a commercial bank (other than People's Bank) acceptable to the People's Bank for Rs. 25,000/- for a minimum period of **180 calendar days** from the date of opening the tender. Bank pay orders/Bank drafts with minimum period of **180 calendar days** are also acceptable in lieu of Bid bonds. Cheques drawn by the tenderer will not be accepted.
- Sealed tenders addressed to Chief Manager (Supplies), People's Bank, Supplies Department, No. 30/101, Kew Road, Colombo 02, may be sent by registered post, courier or deposited in the tender box kept at this Department **at or before 2.00 p.m. on 25.02.2021**. Tenders will be closed on **25.02.2021 at 2.00 p.m.** and opened immediately after closing at 2.00 p.m. Tenders received after 2.00 p.m. on due date will be rejected and returned unopened.
- The bank reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders received without assigning any reasons thereof and it is not bound to accept only the lowest quoted tender based on the price. The Bank if required shall assign more than one supplier for this service at its discretion.
- Further details could be obtained from Chief Manager (Supplies), People's Bank, Supplies Department, on telephone Nos. given below.

**Chief Manager (Supplies)**  
People's Bank, Supplies Dept,  
No. 30/101, Kew Road,  
Colombo 02



Tel. No. 2439577/8  
Fax No. 2439576  
E-mail: [supplies@peoplesbank.lk](mailto:supplies@peoplesbank.lk)  
Web: [www.peoplesbank.lk](http://www.peoplesbank.lk)



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### Call for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Development of LMS Platform for IREX

**IREX MEND Program:** The International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX), with support from USAID, is implementing the Media Empowerment for a Democratic Sri Lanka (MEND) program. The goal of the MEND is to improve citizens' demand for, and access to, balanced and reliable news and information, and to support Sri Lanka's efforts to strengthen media freedom and democratic governance.

With rapidly growing technological advancements, people have easy access to an influx of information in their daily life. However, not all information available in the public domain or in cyberspace is factually true. A lot of disinformation and misinformation is being spread through social media and even in the mainstream press, using emotional triggers to bypass critical thinking, and undermining people's ability to make informed decisions. The media also employs various tactics such as sensationalism, conspiracy theories, fabrication, and emotional manipulation, for various reasons and to varying degrees. Often the public finds it difficult to differentiate between truth and falsehood, information, and propaganda. IREX has identified a dire need to promote critical information consumption as a core life skill among people of all ages in Sri Lanka.

Given this context, IREX, in consultation with its local partners, is planning to develop a Learning Management System (LMS platform) as an online Media Literacy training resource that will equip citizens with the knowledge and skills necessary to critically engage with the media they consume, making them more resilient to dis/mis/mal information.

**Key features of the website**

- Simple and user friendly
- Multilingual (Sinhala, Tamil & English) provides the user the ability to switch over to preferred language version
- .com domain
- 20GB hosting
- SSL certificate
- Links to Social Networks
- Logo and animation Designing
- Proceed to different levels, with a scoring and reward systems at each level
- Include videos
- Development of a quiz
- Ability to apply updates and changes to the website whenever required
- Monitoring dashboard
- Analyzing and reporting system
- Support and Maintenance
- Mobile responsiveness
- Search Engine Optimization
- Animation and graphic designing
- Chat Bot
- 24/7 support services

The MEND program will provide the primary content required to develop the story board, content for stories based on scenarios, users for pilot testing and inputs on the design.

**The Service Provider will be selected based on the following criteria:**

- Ability to conceptualize the product and design the LMS Platform to suit the needs of the target audience.
- Demonstrated experience in handling similar assignments.
- A fair understanding of the Sri Lanka media industry
- Previous experience in working with international development or donor agencies.
- At least five years of experience with a strong track record in the industry.
- Proven skills in multimedia development particularly in developing story boards, animations, voicing and script writing.
- Multilingual skills (English, Sinhala & Tamil) to customize the content to suit the preferences of local audiences.
- Excellent sense of creativity and open to feedback and suggestions.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Demonstrated ability to plan strategically and creatively, to meet objectives.
- Strong interpersonal skills, and strong sense of work ethic

**How to apply:** Interested individuals and companies are encouraged to submit their Expressions of Interest (EOI) in not more than four pages, explaining their strengths, approach, additional value-added services (if any), samples of previous similar assignments and estimated cost for the assignment.

**Process:** All short-listed applicants will be invited for an open briefing session to provide specific technical and other relevant information about the proposed LMS platform prior to requesting for submissions of detailed proposals.

**Deadline for submissions:** All the above documents should be submitted on or before February 22, 2021 via email at [kjayatilake@irex.org](mailto:kjayatilake@irex.org) with the subject line Call for Development of LMS platform for IREX. No telephone calls will be entertained.

# COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON PLC

Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (Registration No. PQ 116) under Section 4 of the Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) Act No. 4 of 1990.  
 Loan Account Nos. 2109698, 2262893 and 2186059

## RANDIMA EXPORTERS

At a meeting held on 27th September 2019 the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC resolved specially and unanimously as follows :-

WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond Nos. 1495 and 1496 both dated 14th July 2014 and 2226 dated 8th November 2017 all attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The land morefully described in the 1st Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond Nos. 1822 dated 28th March 2016 and 2224 dated 8th November 2017 all attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The land morefully described in the 2nd Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond Nos. 1824 dated 28th March 2016 and 2228 dated 8th November 2017 all attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The land morefully described in the 3rd Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond No. 1886 dated 22nd July 2016 attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The stock-in-trade morefully described in the 4th Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond No. 1887 dated 22nd July 2016 attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The stock-in-trade morefully described in the 5th Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond No. 2059 dated 23rd March 2017 attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The stock-in-trade morefully described in the 6th Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS WALAWÉ DURAGE RATHNASIRI, MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA and WALAWÉ DURAGE RANDIMA SUDATH MADUSHANKA carrying on business in Partnership under the name, style and firm of **RANDIMA EXPORTERS** as Obligors and **MAGALLE HEWA RASIKA PRIYADARSHANI JAYASUNDARA** as the Mortgagor have made default in the payment due on Bond No. 2061 dated 23rd March 2017 attested by N.T. Halpanideniya, Notary Public of Batuwahena, Elliptiya in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (The stock-in-trade morefully described in the 7th Schedule hereto).

AND WHEREAS there is now due and owing to the Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC as at 10th July 2019 a sum of UNITED STATES DOLLARS SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY EIGHT AND CENTS SEVENTY SIX (USD 716,398/76) or its equivalent in Sri Lanka Rupees) on the said Bonds and the Board of Directors of the Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC under the powers vested by Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) Act No. 4 of 1990 do hereby resolve that the properties and premises and stock-in-trade morefully described in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Schedules hereto and mortgaged to the Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC by the said Bond Nos. 1495, 1496, 2226, 1822, 2224, 1824, 2228, 1886, 1887, 2059 and 2061 be sold by Public Auction by Mr L.B. Senanayake, Licensed Auctioneer of No. 200, 2nd Floor, Hulftsdorp Street, Colombo 12, for the recovery of the said sum of United States Dollars Seven Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Eight and Cents Seventy Six (USD 716,398/76) (or its equivalent in Sri Lanka Rupees) with further interest on a sum of USD 205,000/- (or its equivalent in Sri Lanka Rupees) at LIBOR + 4% per annum (Present Rate 6.39% per annum) and on a sum of USD 187,500/- (or its equivalent in Sri Lanka Rupees) at LIBOR + 4.5% per annum (Present Rate 6.89% per annum) and on a sum of USD 285,650/- (or its equivalent in Sri Lanka Rupees) at LIBOR + 4.25% per annum (Present rate 6.64% per annum) from 11th July 2019 to date of sale together with Costs of Advertising and any other charges incurred less payments (if any) since received.

### THE 1ST SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 1** depicted in **Plan No. 3770 dated 17th November 1993** made by **D.G. Mendis**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANDEGODAKELLE alias KIRIMETIVAWALA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Kobetuduwa Village within the Grama Niladhari Division of 751 - Kobetuduwa in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 1** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Reservation for Road on the **EAST** by Lot 2 in Plan No 3770 on the **SOUTH** by Reservation for Road and on the **WEST** by Lot 5 KH of PP 11741 (But more correctly Lot 5M) and containing in extent **FIVE ACRES (AS-RO-PO)** according to the said **Plan No. 3770** and registered under the Volume/Folio **C78/86** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

**WHICH** said land marked according to a resurvey is described as follows :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 1** depicted in **Plan No. 4237 dated 17th March 2014** made by **S.P. Weerawardena**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANDEGODAKELLE alias KIRIMETIVAWALA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Kobetuduwa Village within the Grama Niladhari Division of 751 - Kobetuduwa in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 1** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Reservation for Road and Kiriwetuya Bedda owned by the State on the **EAST** by Lot 2 of the same land on the **SOUTH** by Reservation for Road and on the **WEST** by Lot 5 M and containing in extent **FIVE ACRES (AS-RO-PO)** according to the said **Plan No. 4237**.

**Together with Right of way and other connected rights in over and along (Reservation for Road 13 ft wide and containing in extent Seventeen Perches (AO.R0.P17.00) depicted in Plan No. 3770.**

### THE 2ND SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 2** depicted in **Plan No. 2538 dated 02nd December 2008** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**DEHIGAHAGOPALA alias KAHATAPITIYAMANELLA alias URAMALAHENA and RADAWATIDUWA now known as KAHATAPITIYA ESTATE**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Godagama within the Grama Niladhari Division of 66A - Manampita in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Gonapinuwalla in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 2** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Road on the **EAST** by Lot 4 on the **SOUTH** by Lot 3 and on the **WEST** by Jasinge alias Radawatta Aldera Goipola and Ela and containing in extent **THIRTY PERCHES (AO.R0.P30)** according to the said **Plan No. 2538** and registered under the Volume/Folio **M 28/130** at the **Galle** Land Registry.

**Together with the Road Reservation over and along land marked Lot 9 depicted in Plan No. 2538 aforesaid.**

### THE 3RD SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 1A** depicted in **Plan No. 3782A dated 26th September 2015** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called Part of "**KARANDENIYEWATTA known as THALGASGODA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Karandeniya (More correctly Thalagasoda) within the Grama Niladhari Division of 86D - Thalagasoda in Urban Council Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which **Lot 1A** is bounded on the **NORTH** by portion of this land (Lot A in Plan No. 309) on the **EAST** by Portion of the same land and Lot 1B on the **SOUTH** by Portion of same land and Road and on the **WEST** by Kumbura and containing in extent **THREE ACRES TWO ROADS AND THIRTY FOUR PERCHES (A3-R2-P34)** according to the said **Plan No. 3782A** and registered under Volume/Folio **C69/108** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

**Together with the Road Reservation over along land marked Lot 9 depicted in Plan No. 2538 aforesaid.**

### THE 4TH SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All and singular the entirety of the stock-in-trade mainly Raw Cinnamon, semi processed and processed cinnamon, cinnamon and any other related products and all other movable property of every sort and description whatsoever now lying in and upon or stored at **Manamgoda, Batapola** in Grama Niladhari Division in 75E - Nawagama Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda Secretariat Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka within the Registration Division of the **Land Registry Balapitiya** and all other movable property of every sort and description whatsoever now lying in and upon any other go downs, stores or premises at which the Obligor is now or may at any time hereafter be carrying on business and in or upon which the said stock-in-trade may from time to time be stored or kept and also all and singular the stock-in-trade which shall or may from time to time and at all times belong to the Obligor or be brought in replacement of the aforesaid stock-in-trade into or upon the aforesaid premises or any other premises into which the Obligor may at any time or from time to time hereafter remove and carry on its business or trade or store the aforesaid stock-in-trade and all stock-in-trade in transit to or from the aforesaid premises or awaiting shipment or clearance at the wharf or warehouse in the District of Colombo or elsewhere and in or upon any other premises at which the Obligor is now or may hereafter be carrying on business or in and upon which the said stock-in-trade is for the time being stored or kept.

### THE 5TH SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot B2A** depicted in **Plan No. 824 dated 27th February 2000** made by **B. Piyal De Silva**, Licensed Surveyor (Also described as Lot A depicted in **Plan No. 214 dated 04.03.2006** made by R.M.P. De Silva, Licensed Surveyor) of the land called Lot B2 of Lot B of **KANATTHAWATTA** together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot B2A** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Part of Lot B of the same land on the **EAST** by Lot B2B in Plan No. 824 on the **SOUTH** by 10 feet wide Road and on the **WEST** by Main Road from Karandeniya to Batapola and containing in extent **Twenty Perches (AO.R0.P20)** according to the said **Plan No. 824** and registered under Volume/Folio **C99/33** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

**Which aforesaid allotment of land according to Re-Survey Plan No. 3334 dated 21.05.2016 made by B. Piyal De Silva, Licensed Surveyor is described as follows :**

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot B2A** depicted in **Plan No. 3334 dated 21st May 2016** made by **B. Piyal De Silva**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called Lot B2 of Lot B of **KANATTHAWATTA** together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot B2A** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Part of Lot B of the same land on the **EAST** by Lot B2B of Plan No. 824 on the **SOUTH** by Road and on the **WEST** by Road and containing in extent **Twenty Perches (AO.R0.P20)** according to the said **Plan No. 3334**.

### THE 6TH SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

(1) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot A** depicted in **Plan No. 4065 dated 31st March 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot A** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lots 10 & 13 (Road) on the **EAST** by Lot 7 and Lots B3G and B31 on the **SOUTH** by Lots B3D and B3E (wide Plan No. 2464) and on the **WEST** by Lot B3F and Lots 10 & 11 and containing in extent **Twenty Seven Decimal Six Seven Perches (AO.R0.P27.67)** according to the said **Plan No. 4065**.

**Which aforesaid Lot A is an amalgamation of the following lands (Lot 8 & Lot 9) :**

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 8** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 8** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Lot 7 in this Plan and Lots B3G and B31 on the **SOUTH** by Lot 9 in this Plan and on the **WEST** by Lot 10 in this Plan and containing in extent **Eight Decimal Three Four Perches (AO.R0.P8.34)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 9** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 9** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 8 & 10 in this Plan on the **EAST** by Lots B3G and Lot B31 on the **SOUTH** by Lots B3D & B3E (wide Plan No. 2464) and on the **WEST** by Lot B3F and containing in extent **Nineteen Decimal Three Perches (AO.R0.P19.33)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(2) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 1** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 1** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot C of the same land on the **EAST** by Lot 2 in this Plan on **SOUTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and Lot 14 in this Plan and on the **WEST** by Part of Lot B and containing in extent **Ten Decimal Six Seven Perches (AO.R0.P10.67)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(3) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 2** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 2** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot C of the same land on the **EAST** by Lot 3 in this Plan on **SOUTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and on the **WEST** Lot 1 in this Plan and containing in extent **Ten Decimal One Naught Perches (AO.R0.P10.10)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(4) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 5** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 5** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot F of the same land on the **EAST** by Land described in Plan 141451 on **SOUTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and on the **WEST** Lot 5 in this Plan and Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and containing in extent **Fifteen Decimal Nine Seven Perches (AO.R0.P15.97)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(5) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 6** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 6** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Land described in Plan No. 141451 on **SOUTH** by Lot 7 depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 7** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Land described in Plan No. 141451 on **SOUTH** by Lot 8 in this Plan and Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and containing in extent **Nine Decimal Eight Eight Perches (AO.R0.P9.88)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(6) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 7** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 7** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Land described in Plan No. 141451 on **SOUTH** by Lot 8 in this Plan and Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and containing in extent **Nine Decimal Eight Eight Perches (AO.R0.P9.88)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(7) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 10** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 10** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Lot 8 in this Plan on the **SOUTH** by Lot 9 in this Plan and on the **WEST** by Lot 11 in this Plan and containing in extent **Eight Decimal Eight Eight Perches (AO.R0.P8.88)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(8) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 11** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 11** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Lot 10 in this Plan on the **SOUTH** by Lot B3F and on the **WEST** by Lot 12 in this Plan and containing in extent **Ten Decimal Naught Six Perches (AO.R0.P10.06)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(9) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 12** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 12** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **EAST** by Lot 11 in this Plan on the **SOUTH** by Lot B3F and on the **WEST** by Lot 13 in this Plan and containing in extent **Nine Decimal Three One Perches (AO.R0.P9.31)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(10) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 14** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 14** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot 1 in this Plan and Part of Lot B on the **EAST** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **SOUTH** by Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan and on the **WEST** by Lot 15 in this Plan and containing in extent **Ten Decimal Six Seven Perches (AO.R0.P10.67)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

(11) All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 15** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 15** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lot B on the **EAST** by Lot 14 in this Plan and Lot 13 (Road) in this Plan on the **SOUTH** by Road and on the **WEST** by Lot B2A and containing in extent **Five Decimal Two Six Perches (AO.R0.P5.26)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A**.

**Above Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 are amalgamation and sub division of the following lands.**

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot B2B** depicted in **Plan No. 824 dated 27th February 2000** made by **B. Piyal De Silva**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot B2B** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Part of Lot B hereof, Lot C and Lot F on the **EAST** by Land described in Plan No. 141451 on the **SOUTH** by Portion of Lot B and Road (10 feet wide) and on the **WEST** by Lot B2A in this land and Road (10 feet wide) and containing in extent **Three Rods and Twenty Perches (AO.R3.P20)** according to the said **Plan No. 824** and registered under Volume/Folio **C84/76** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot B3** (also depicted as Lot J) depicted in **Plan No. 825 dated 29th February 2000** made by **B. Piyal De Silva**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called Lot B3 of Lot B of "**KANATTEWATTA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and bounded on the **NORTH** by balance portion of the same land on the **EAST** by Lots B3G and B31 on the **SOUTH** by B3D and B3E, B3F and on the **WEST** by Lot B3F and Road and containing in extent **Thirty Seven Perches (AO.R0.P37)** according to the said **Plan No. 825** and registered under Volume/Folio **C36/77** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

**Together with right of way over and along the following land :**

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 13** depicted in **Plan No. 3894A dated 03rd April 2016** made by **N.C. Wijewickrama**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called Lot B2B of Lot B2 of Lot B of "**KANATTEWATTA**" situated at Batapola within the Grama Niladhari Division of 75B - Batapola Central in Pradeshiya Sabha Limits of Ambalangoda in Divisional Secretary's Division of Ambalangoda in Wellaboda Pattu in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 13** is bounded on the **NORTH** by Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 14 on the **EAST** by Lots 6, 7 and 12 on the **SOUTH** by Lots 7, 8, 10, 11 and 12 and Road and on the **WEST** by Lots 5, 14 and 15 and containing in extent **Twenty Four Decimal Five Seven Perches (AO.R0.P24.57)** according to the said **Plan No. 3894A** and registered under Volume/Folio **C 84/114** at the **Balapiitya** Land Registry.

### THE 7TH SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO :

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 01** depicted in **Plan No. 1113A dated 29th August 1972** made by T. Weerasinghe, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "Southern Half Portion of **KOHILA OWITA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon bearing Assessment No. 1/8 situated at Ettilgoda within the Grama Niladhari Division of 99C - Makuluwa in Municipal Council Limits of Galle in Divisional Secretary's Division of Galle in Four Gravets of Galle in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 01** is bounded on the **NORTH - EAST** by Part of Kohila Owita on the **SOUTH - EAST** by Kohuwa and Kadurugaha Owita on the **SOUTH - WEST** by One Third part of Kuttoliyawatta and on the **NORTH - WEST** by Kohila Owita and containing in extent **Two Rods and Two Decimal Five Perches (AO-R2-P2.5)** according to the said **Plan No. 1113A** and registered under Volume/Folio **Q 122/41** at the **Galle** Land Registry.

**Which aforesaid allotment of land according to Re-Survey Plan No. 1509 dated 17th November 2000** made by **A.R. Weerasuriya**, Licensed Surveyor is described as follows:-

All that divided and defined allotment of land marked **Lot 01** depicted in **Plan No. 1509 dated 17th November 2000** (Surveyed on 21.10.2000 and 07.11.2000) made by **H. R. Weerasuriya**, Licensed Surveyor of the land called "Southern Half Portion of **KOHILA OWITA**" together with the buildings, trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon bearing Assessment No. 1/8 situated at Ettilgoda within the Grama Niladhari Division of 99C - Makuluwa in Municipal Council Limits of Galle in Divisional Secretary's Division of Galle in Four Gravets of Galle in the District of Galle Southern Province and which said **Lot 01** is bounded on the **NORTH - EAST** by Portion of Kohila Owita, Road reservation marked as Lot B and Road Reservation marked as Lot X7 on the **SOUTH - EAST** by Lot B (Road Reservation) dividing Lot 2 of the same land on the **SOUTH - WEST** by One Third portion of Kuttoliyawatta and on the **NORTH - WEST** by Kohilaowita and containing in extent **Two Rods and Two Decimal Five Perches (AO-R2-P2.5)** according to the said <

SALE UNDER SECTION 29D OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK ACT NO.29 OF 1961 AS AMENDED BY ACT NO. 32 OF 1986

**PEOPLE'S BANK**  
**AUCTION SALE OF A VALUABLE PROPERTY**  
**CORPORATE BANKING DIVISION**

ALLOTMENT OF LAND MARKED : Lot A depicted in Plan No. 1256 A dated 20.03.1998 made by K.P. Wijeweera, Licensed Surveyor, together with the building standing thereon bearing Assessment No. 166/25B, Elvitigala Mawatha, situated at Thimbrigasyaya within the Municipal Council Limits of Colombo in the District of Colombo, Western Province.

LAND IN EXTENT : Eight Decimal Nine Naught Perches (A0.R0.P8.90) or 0.0225 Hectares

Under the authority granted to me by People's Bank, I shall sell by Public Auction on 20th March 2021 commencing at 11.30 a.m. at the spot.

The auction will be conducted in accordance with the strict guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health, adhering to COVID-19 protocol

FOR NOTICE OF RESOLUTION : Please refer the government gazette of 13.06.2014 and Dinamina, Daily News and Thinakaran of 29.05.2014 newspapers.

ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY : Proceed from Colombo up to Borella and turn to D.S. Senanayake Mawatha on the right and proceed up to Borella cemetery and take the Elvitigala Mawatha and proceed about 1Km and subject property is on the right hand side of the road which leads towards Borella junction .

MODE OF PAYMENT : The successful purchaser will have to pay following amounts in cash at the fall of the hammer.

1. 10% of the purchased price
2. 01% of the sales Tax payable to the Local Authority.
3. Auctioneer's commission of 2 1/2 % (Two and a half percent only) on sale price.
4. Clerk's and Crier's fee of Rs. 1000/=
5. Cost of sale and any other charges if any.
6. Stamp duty to the certification of sale

Balance 90% of the purchased price will have to be paid within 30 days from the date of sale to the Chief Manager - Recoveries, People's Bank, Recoveries Department, Head Office, 10th Floor, Chittampalam A. Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 02.

T.P. 011 2481443, 011 2481680 Fax : 011 2324958

If the said amount is not paid within 30 days as stipulated above, the bank shall have the right to forfeit (10%) of the purchased price already paid and resell the property. The title deeds and other reference may be obtained from the above mentioned address. People's bank reserves the right to stop or cancel the sale without prior notice.

11/55 Bogahawatta,  
Kudabuthgamuwa, Angoda  
T.P. 011 2053286, 072 3207533,  
076 9217329

E.S Ramanayake  
Court Commissioner  
Licensed Auctioneer  
Valuer and ( JP Whole Island)



**EDUCATION CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY**

**TENDER NOTICE**

**CALLING TENDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LAND OR A BUILDING WITH A LAND IN ELLA AREA IN THE DISTRICT OF BADULLA FOR THE PROPOSED ELLA HOLIDAY RESORT PROJECTS IN THE ELLA AREA.**

Sealed Tenders are hereby invited by the Education Employees Co-operative Thrift & Credit Society Limited, for the purchase of lands or buildings, in the Ella area in the District of Badulla, for the purpose of running and maintaining a Holiday Resort, with positive attraction, for local and foreign tourists for provision of residential facilities, having scenic beauty of environmental aesthetic and picturesque nature in the surroundings, in Ella area in the District of Badulla from eligible individuals or institutions having ownership of lands or buildings with lands, by the Education Employees Co-operative Thrift and Credit Society Ltd., as a welfare programme of its members.

01. Proposed property should be a land or a building with parking facilities for 10 vehicles, with transport facilities, and a good access land thereto, and with clear title deeds of ownership.
02. In case, there is a building in the said land it is mandatory to have the Certificate of Conformity (COC) approved by the relevant local Government authority for the building plan of the Building required and it will be preferred to attach the certificate of assessment / valuation of the said property by recognized valuer / assessor.
03. Hence, this land or the buildings is into be purchased for the purpose of creating / building a holiday resort, for local and foreign tourists, having facilities, to enjoy and feel the aesthetic beauty of the natural environment, it is indeed preferable, to locate this property, in a highly scenic environmental system of natural beauty.
04. The extent of this land or the building with a plot of land, should be over 20 perches and in case there is a building in the land it should have a minimum of 10 rooms in it.
05. Tenders submitted by brokers, sans the Power of Attorney will not be accepted and they will be rejected.

Relevant tenders, along with a copy of the deed of land, copy of the plan of the land, and if it is a land with a building, the approved building plan, and the land or building is assessed / valued, the valuation report should either be sent by registered post or hand delivered, to the following address to be received, at or before 3.00 p.m. on 27.02.2021, to the Chief Chairman of the Society and it is mandatory to indicate the caption to the effect "Tenders for the Ella Holiday Resort".

The Hony, Director Board, of the Society, reserves the right to take final decision regarding the matters, pertaining to tenders.

Chief Chairman,

**EDUCATION EMPLOYEES CO-OPERATIVE THRIFT & CREDIT SOCIETY LIMITED,**  
No. 294, Galle Road, Colombo 03.

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Fax : 011-2577475



GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA  
MINISTRY OF HIGHWAYS  
ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

**RENOVATION OF ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CIRCUIT BUNGALOW AT NUWARA ELIYA**

1. The Chairman, RDA Procurement Committee on behalf of the RDA, invites sealed bids for **Renovation of Circuit Bungalow at Nuwara Eliya.**
2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding Procedure. Since the Total Cost Estimate of this Procurement is below Rs. 50Mn, Regional Preference and CIDA grade preference shall be apply as stipulated in Public finance Circular No. 03/2020 and 5% preference will be given to state owned Enterprises at the financial evaluation as public finance circular No. 03/2020 (i).
3. Bidding documents shall be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to Director Procurement, Procurement Division, Road Development Authority, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", No. 216, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mw, Koswatta, Battaramulla from **12.02.2021** until **04.03.2021** during **09:00 hrs to 15:00 hrs** upon payment of a non-refundable Tender fee **3500.00** (With VAT).
4. As per the Public Contract Act no. 03 of 1987, the Agent and successful winners of the tender shall be registered in the Department of Registrar of Companies

CONTRACT NO	DESCRIPTION	BID SECURITY (RS.)	Non-refundable Tender Fee with VAT (Rs.)	Minimum ICTAD grade required
RDA/DPR/RENUW/2021/01	Renovation of Circuit Bungalow at Nuwara Eliya	500,000.00	3500.00	C5 or above

5. Bidding documents may be inspected free of charge at the office of the Director Procurement, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Koswatta, Battaramulla during office hours.
6. Bid shall be valid up to 91 calendar days from the date closing of the Bid, & each Bid shall be accompanied by a Bid security (Valid up to 02.07.2021) for the amount mentioned above. Any Bid not accompanied by a valid Bid Security will be rejected.
7. Please indicate "RENOVATION OF ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY CIRCUIT BUNGALOW AT NUWARA ELIYA" on top left-hand corner of the envelope.
8. Bids shall be delivered in duplicate to Chairman, RDA Procurement Committee, Road Development Authority, **1<sup>st</sup> floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", No. 216, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mw, Koswatta, Battaramulla** on or before **14:00 hrs** on **05.03.2021**. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after the closing, in the presence of the bidder's representatives.
9. For further details, please contact Director Procurement, RDA on Tel : 011-2046481/ 011-2884790/ E mail : [procurement@rda.gov.lk](mailto:procurement@rda.gov.lk)

**Chairman, RDA Procurement Committee,**  
**Road Development Authority,**  
**1<sup>st</sup> floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura",**  
**No.216, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mw, Koswatta,**  
**Battaramulla**

**PROCUREMENT NOTICE**

**Invitation for Bids**

**State Ministry of Rural & Regional Drinking Water Supply Project Development**

**Department of National Community Water Supply**

Procurement Committee invites sealed bids for following works.

Name of Contract	Qualification	Bid Security Requirement (Rs.) (Bank Guarantee & Validity Period)	Non Refundable Fee (Rs.)	Bid Validity Period (Days)	Place of Issuing of Documents & Contract Person and Bid Closing Date
1) Quotation for the Rate Tender of Construction, Supplying, Installation and Commissioning of Nano Membrane Water Purification Systems Including Shelter House.	1) Nano membrane filter supply, related water purification works and/or membrane related water purification experiences in minimum last 5 years.	1,000,000/= valid up to 31st of December 2021.	20,000/= Please deposit : BOC Bank, Thalawathugoda Branch A/C No : 0007040440	322	<b>Place of Issuing of Documents &amp; Contract Person</b> Director (Procurement) Department of National Community Water Supply, No. 1114, Pannipitiya Road, Thalawathugoda. TP: 0112774927 <b>Bid Closing Date &amp; Time</b> 05 <sup>th</sup> of March 2021 10.00 a.m.

General instructions and conditions for above subject :

**Instructions :**

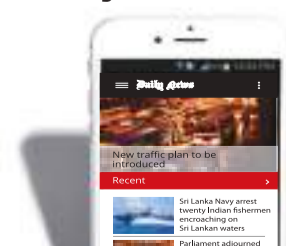
1. Bidding Documents will be issued on submission of a written application on the applicant's letterhead to the Department of National Community Water Supply.
2. Bidding Documents can be collected between 09.00 hours & 15.00 hours up to 04<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 on normal working days (please make an appointment to collect documents via telephone).
3. Interested bidders may obtain further information from Department of National Community Water Supply and inspect the bidding documents free of charge at the place of issuing documents during normal working hours.
4. Duly completed bids shall be either deposited in the Tender Box which is placed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the department or dispatched by registered post or courier to the address given below at or before 10.00 a.m. on 05<sup>th</sup> of March 2021.
5. All bids will be opened at the same address on 05<sup>th</sup> of March 2021 at 10.15 a.m. in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will be returned unopened.
6. Bid security should be addressed to Director General, Department of National Community Water Supply, No. 1114, Pannipitiya Road, Thalawathugoda.

**Chairman,**  
**Department Procurement Committee,**  
**Department of National Community Water Supply,**  
**No. 1114, Pannipitiya Road,**  
**Thalawathugoda.**

10.02.2021

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# National Center for Leadership Development Embilipitiya

## RE-REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR YEAR - 2021

Applications are invited from reputed suppliers / Manufacturers / Owners of Institutions / Agents / Contractors / other Private Suppliers and Government Institutions who wish to supply the goods, equipment and services required for this Center during year 2021.

Relevant applications forms may be obtained either by sending a letter or by handing over a letter mentioning the supplies/ services for which registration is sought upon payment of a non refundable fee of Rs. 500/- for each item and service of supply mentioned in the list below during office hours on weekdays either by cash or by sending a crossed cheque drawn in favour of Director, National Center for Leadership Development to receive before 09.03.2021. Last date for issuing applications and closing date for applications is 10.03.2021.

Service/Supply	No.	Description / Item
Services	01	Repairing and Servicing of Electrical Equipment
	02	Servicing of Vehicles
	03	Repairing and Servicing of Electronic Equipment (Computers, Photocopiers, Typewriters, Fax Machines, Risoh Machines etc.
	04	All Cushioning Works
	05	Washing of Linen
	06	Repairing and Maintenance of Air Conditioners, Generators, Grass Cutting Machines, Refrigerators
	07	Rattaning of Chairs Repairing of Furniture (Wooden and Steel)
	08	Photography and Videoing, Repairing and Servicing of Cameras
	09	Obtaining Vehicles (Buses) on Hire Basis
Supply	10	Repairing of Vehicles (Diesel, Petrol), Mechanical Tinkering, Painting, Repairing of Electrical System, Carpeting, Making Seat Covers, Air Conditioning and Repairs
	11	Provision of Cleaning Services
	12	Provision of Security Services
	13	Repairing and Construction of Buildings
	14	Fire Protection Equipment
	15	Supply of Food and beverages - Dry Food Items (Rice, Sugar, Dhal, Condiments etc.), Vegetables, Fruits, Meat, Fish, Eggs, Desserts, Bakery items, Breakfast and Short Eats etc.
	16	Office Stationery and Equipment (All kinds of paper including Half Sheets, Roneo Paper, Photocopying Paper, Typewriting Paper, Carbon Paper, Stapler Machines, Calculators and All kinds of Pens, Pencils, Punctures, Ink Pads and other stationery items)
	17	Vehicle Batteries, Tyres and Tubes
	18	Motor Spare Parts
	19	Office Equipment (Office Machinery, Typewriters, Roneo Machines, Photocopiers, Time Marking Machines, Fax Machines, Telephone Systems
	20	Office Wooden Furniture, Steel Furniture
	21	Computers and Computer Accessories
	22	Audio Visual Educational Materials (Televisions, Overhead Projectors, Multimedia Equipment etc.)
23	Electrical Equipment (Electric Fans, Lamps, Electric Bulbs, Wires, Switches etc.)	
24	Building Materials and Equipment (Cement, Iron, Lime, Tiles, Paints, Masonry Trowels, Shovels, Iron Masonry Pans), Sand, Bricks, Cement Blocks, Shuttering Planks, Sawn Timber, Tiles, Hinges in Iron and Brass, Window Stayers, Latches, Door Locks, Door Rings and all such equipment and materials required for Construction Work	
25	Textile Materials (Uniforms)	
26	Hostel Equipment and Materials (Steel and Wooden Beds, Cloth Racks, Cupboards etc. Mosquito Nets, Pillows, Mattresses, Towels, Pillow Cases, Bed Sheets, Serviettes, Rugs, (Rubber and Coir Finished) Water Filters, Brooms, Ekel Brooms, Mops etc.	
27	Landscaping Activities	
28	Hostel Equipment and Materials (Mosquito Nets, Pillows, Pillow Cases, Mattresses, Mattress Covers, Bed Sheets, Serviettes, Rugs, (Rubber and Coir Finished) Water Filters, Brooms, Ekel Brooms, Mops etc.	
29	Kitchen Equipment (Sauce Pans - Large and Small Size, Coconut Scrapers, Porridge Machines, Gas Burners, Blenders, Plates, Cups, Water Glasses, Tea Pots, Tea Jugs, Kettles, Spoons etc.	
30	All kinds of Fertilizer, Insecticides, All kinds of Seeds and Planting Materials	
31	Room Partitioning with Aluminium, / Low Cost Ceiling / Stainless Steel Works	
32	Making Name Boards (Brass, Stainless Steel, Plastic, Digital / Cladding) Date Stamps, Official Stamps, Notice Boards, Banners and Stickers	

### CONDITIONS

- Applicants who wish to register for more than one item should submit separate applications for each item and all applications should be accompanied by a certified copy of the Business Registration Certificate.
- Director of the National Center for Leadership Development reserves the right to reject the incomplete and applications from blacklisted suppliers without showing cause.
- Generally quotations are called from registered suppliers but the Director of the National Center for Leadership Development reserves the right to call for quotations from other suppliers at emergencies and based on being a government institution.
- When supplying food items to the Center the food items should be clean and high in quality and this would be subjected to the constant inspection of the Public Health Inspectors.
- Duly perfected applications may either be sent by registered post addressed to Director, National Center for Leadership Development, Yodhagama, Embilipitiya or hand carried and deposited in the tender box to receive on or before 10.03.2021. The caption "Registration of Suppliers - 2021" should be mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope containing the application. Late applications will be rejected.

Director  
National Center for Leadership Development  
Yodhagama,  
Embilipitiya  
Tel. No. 047-2230246



GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA  
MINISTRY OF HIGHWAYS  
ROAD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



## INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

- The Chairman, Road Development Authority Procurement Committee, on behalf of the Road Development Authority (RDA), invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the project described below:-

Contract No.	Contract Name	Engineer's Estimate Exclu. Contingencies Rs. Mn.	Bid Security (Rs.)	Contract Duration (Days)
RDA/DC/EP/GOSL/2021/02	ASPHALT SURFACING ON KOOLAWADY - CENTRAL CAMP ROAD (2+300 - 5+250)	59.5	600,000.00	182

- The work consists of asphalt surfacing, Gabion work and incidental works.
- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding Procedure.
- To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall be currently registered with the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) in C4 and C3 grade in Highway Construction.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the following offices and refer the bidding documents via [www.rda.gov.lk](http://www.rda.gov.lk) from 16.02.2021.
  - Additional Provincial Director (East), Road Development Authority, Akkaraipatthu.  
Tel: 067 - 2277428 Fax No.: 067 - 2278971
  - Director (Construction), RDA, 3rd Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla.  
Tel: 011 - 2864388 Fax No.: 011 - 2861821
- The Pre - Bid meeting will be held at 10:00 hrs on 25.02.2021 at the office of the Additional Provincial Director (East), Road Development Authority, Akkaraipatthu and a site visit will be arranged immediately thereafter if necessary.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language shall be purchased by interested bidders from Additional Provincial Director (East), Road Development Authority, Akkaraipatthu OR Director (Construction), RDA, 3rd Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla from 16.02.2021 until 09.03.2021 during 09:00 hrs to 15:00 hrs upon the submission of a written application with a Pay Order of Rs. 3780.00 (With VAT) (Validity Period - 90 days) for non - refundable fee drawn in favour of "Director General - Road development Authority".  
As per the Public Contract Act No. 3 of 1987, only the Agents and Successful winners of tenders shall be registered in Department of Registrar of Companies.
- Bids shall be accompanied by Bid - Security being valid up to 07.07.2021.
- Bids shall be delivered in duplicate to the Chairman, Road Development Authority Procurement Committee, C/o Director General, Road Development Authority, 1st Floor, "Maganeguma Mahamedura", Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla on or before 14:00 hrs on 12.03.2021. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after the closing, in the presence of the bidder's representatives who choose to attend.
- Bids shall be valid up to 09.06.2021.

Chairman,  
Road Development Authority Procurement Committee  
Road Development Authority  
First Floor, 'Maganeguma Mahamedura',  
Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla.

# Employment Opportunities

## Public Service Co-operative Credit & Thrift Society Ltd.,

### Post of GENERAL MANAGER - Grade E-1-3

Applications are invited from persons possessing the qualifications mentioned below for selection of a suitable person to the Post of General Manager of the Public Service Co-operative Society Ltd.,

#### Qualifications:

- Obtained a Postgraduate Degree inclusive of at least one subject among Commerce, Management, Economics, Accountancy, Human Resources Management, Law, Social Science subjects obtained from a recognized University with 02 years experience at executive level in a recognized commercial / technical institute.  
Or
- Obtained a Degree inclusive of at least one subject among Commerce, Management, Economics, Accountancy, Human Resources Management, Law, Social Science subjects obtained from a recognized University with 05 years experience at executive level in a recognized commercial / technical institute.  
Or
- Obtained a Higher Diploma from the Technical College or from an Advanced Technological Institute in the relevant field with 06 years experience at executive level in a recognized commercial / technical institute.  
Or
- Obtained a Diploma in Business Management at the National Institute of Co-operative Development, Polgolla with 07 years experience at executive level in a recognized commercial / technical institute.
- Having passed the Advanced Level Co-operative Development Certificate Course of the Sri Lanka National Co-operative Board with 08 years experience at executive level in a recognized commercial / technical institute.

Salary Scale - 37400 - 53900  
800 x 10 - 850 - 10

Allowances approved by the Co-operative Commission Council will be added to the basic salary mentioned above.

The words "Post of General Manager" should be marked on the top left-hand corner of the envelope containing the application and sent by registered post to the Chairman of the Society at the address below to be received on or before 05.03.2021.

Hon. Chairman,  
Public Service Co-operative Credit & Thrift Society Ltd.,  
No. 19, Saunders Place,  
Colombo 12.

Telephone:- 0112327640, 0112327643, 0112327649