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RAINS CLAIM THREE, FOUR MISSING OVER 9,400 FAMILIES AFFECTED OVER 3,000 PERSONS MOVED OUT

AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI
Three persons have died and four have disappeared due to the adverse weather conditions prevailing in the country yesterday (2). Deaths and disappearances were reported from Nuwara-Eliya district. 1,776 families, 7,649 individuals in Jaffna, Nuwara-Eliya,

Kandy, Galle and Ratnapura districts were affected by incidents of flood, cutting failure, tree fallen, lightning, high wind, rocks fall and heavy rains. According to the Disaster Management Centre's (DMC) daily report, 3,049 persons have been moved to safe locations. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



WE WILL NOT SELL LAKE HOUSE, EVEN IN A DREAM - MINISTER

'PRESIDENT NEVER SELLS HIS OWN PROPERTY OR PROPERTIES BELONGING TO HIS RELATIVES'

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Cabinet Spokesman Mass Media, Transport and Highways Minister Dr. Bandula Gunawardena yesterday assured that he won't take any decision to sell the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited (ANCL) during his tenure as the country's media minister.

"We will not sell Lake House even in a dream", Dr. Gunawardena said. He was responding to a question by a journalist at the weekly Cabinet media briefing held yesterday at the Government Information Department regarding an alleged proposal to sell Lake House or convert it into a hotel. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



FRIDAY, A WORKING DAY FOR SATE SECTOR OFFICIALS AGAIN

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Cabinet approval has been granted to cancel the circular issued to grant state sector employees a holiday on Fridays to engage in agricultural activities, Cabinet Spokesman Mass Media Minister Dr. Bandula Gunawardena said. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

SLPP PS MEMBER SHOT DEAD IN MULLERIYAWA

BIMAL JAYASINGHE
Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP) member of the Kotikawatta Pradeshiya Sabha Sumudu Rukshan was shot dead by two unidentified gunmen yesterday. Police said the gunmen had arrived. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

NO REDUCTION IN BUS FARES POSSIBLE - LPBOA

IRANGIKA RANGE
Lanka Private Bus Owners' Association (LPBOA) Chairman Gemunu Wijerathne said yesterday that it is practically impossible to bring down the bus fares in comparison with the recent auto diesel price reduction of Rs.10 per litre. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

WORKERS REMITTING USD ALLOWED DUTY RELIEF TO BRING AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
The Cabinet of Ministers has granted consent to the proposal made by Labour and Foreign Employment Minister Manusha Nanayakkara to allow electric vehicles to be imported by migrant workers who remit foreign exchange via official banking channels. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Parliament Committee System needed to rebuild economy - Opposition Leader

ANANDA KANNANGARA
Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa proposed the Government to establish a Parliament Committee System (PCS) to enable all MPs irrespective of their Party differences and help the Government to rebuild the country's lost economy. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



No SJB protest on August 9 - Maddumabandara

SAMAGI JANA BALAWEGAYA
Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) General Secretary Ranjith Maddumabandara yesterday said that the SJB has not organized any protest to be held on August 9. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



DISCUSSIONS TO FORM AN ALL-PARTY GOVT. BEGIN

SLPP, CWC, NC HOLD TALKS

SJB, SLFP, TNA EXPRESS WILLINGNESS TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS

AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI
The public, religious leaders led by the Maha Sangha, civil organizations and youth groups have strong confidence and expectation about an All-Party Government, President Ranil Wickremesinghe stated yesterday (02).

President Wickremesinghe stated so in yesterday's discussions held with political parties regarding the formation of an All-Party Government.

Several rounds of talks with political parties were held at the President's Office yesterday.

Party leaders representing the Government and Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP) members of the ruling party attended the first round of discussions. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



PRESIDENT CEREMONIALLY OPENS PARLIAMENT TODAY

TO PRESENT GOVERNMENT POLICY STATEMENT

TRI FORCE GUARD OF HONOR ONLY

NO GUN SALUTE AND VEHICLE PARADE

The ceremonial opening of third session of the Ninth Parliament will be held today (3) under the patronage of President Ranil Wickremesinghe. The rehearsal pertaining to the

ceremonial opening was held yesterday (2) at the Parliament premises and officers of the Tri-Forces and the police, students of Devi Balika College, Colombo were present. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

PRESIDENT OPTS FOR SIMPLE TEA PARTY AS CUSTOMARY

AMALI MALLAWARACHCHI

President Ranil Wickremesinghe has requested to sponsor the tea party that will be held following the Ceremonial Opening of the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament today (3). But Parliament authorities have told the President that it is a customary event of the Parliament and declined to heed the request.

Then the President has told the Parliament officials to organize. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Protester Fr. Jeevantha Peiris files FR petition against his arrest

DILSHAN THARAKA
Rev. Fr. Jeevantha Peiris has filed a fundamental rights (FR) petition in the Supreme Court, seeking an order to pre-

vent his arrest over the Galle Face protest incidents. The petition says that Rev. Fr. Jeevantha Peiris joined the "GotaGoGama" protest

from about April 9 and thereafter he became an active participant in the protest to bring justice to the people who were made. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Six attempting to smuggle gold, phones from Dubai arrested

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE
Criminal Investigation Department officers at the Bandara International Airport arrested six individuals including two women along with gold jewellery weighing. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Passport of foreigner who violated visa conditions confiscated

SUBASHINI SENANAYAKE
The Immigration and Emigration Department has taken over the passport of a female foreign national who published social media posts carrying messages such as force. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Al Qaeda leader Zawahiri killed

US: Al Qaeda leader Ayman al-Zawahiri was killed in a CIA drone strike in Afghanistan over the weekend, U.S. officials said on Monday, the biggest blow to the militant group since its founder Osama bin Laden was killed in 2011. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Al-Qaeda leader Ayman al-Zawahiri

Get jabbed against COVID soon - President

President Ranil Wickremesinghe yesterday urged the public to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible as the threat posed by the virus was re-surfacing again. Making a special statement the President urged the people to strictly follow the health guidelines and emphasized that the spread of the virus across the country should be avoided. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Cabinet nod for Bill to repeal Kandyan Marriage and Divorce Act

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Cabinet approval has been granted to publish the Bill to repeal the Kandyan Marriage and Divorce Act in the Government Gazette and consequently table in Parliament for approval, Justice, Prison Affairs and Constitutional Reforms Minister Wijeyadasa Rajapaksa said. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

First man to enter President's Secretariat arrested

LAHIRU FERNANDO
The first person who forcibly entered the Presidential Secretariat in Colombo Fort during the mass protest held on July 9 was arrested by the Colombo North Divisional Crimes Investigations Unit at Panipitiya on Monday (1). **▶ TO PAGE 02**

More protests will affect tourism, businesses - Chamber

LAHIRU FERNANDO
More protests in the country like the one 'Aragalaya' is planning from August 9 will adversely affect businesses, tourism and the country's economy, Colombo Business Association Chief Secretary Chaminda Vidanagama said. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Three arrested in arson attack on President's residence

LAHIRU FERNANDO
The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) has arrested three suspects in connection with the arson attack on President Ranil Wickremesinghe's residence in Kollupitiya on July 9, on Monday (1) night. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Nimal Siripala sworn in as Ports, Shipping and Aviation Minister

Nimal Siripala de Silva was sworn in as Ports, Shipping and Aviation Minister yesterday after being acquitted of the recent bribery allegations against him, the President's Media Division said. The three-member committee appointed by President Ranil Wickremesinghe. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



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DISCUSSIONS TO FORM AN ALL-PARTY... From page 01

The second round of talks was held with the Ceylon Workers' Congress. Its leader Senthil Thondaman and its General Secretary MP Jeevan Thondaman participated in the discussion.

The third discussion was held with

the National Congress where its leader A.L.M. Athaulah and a delegation participated. Several discussions will be held today (03) between President Ranil Wickremesinghe and political parties regarding the formation of an

All-Party Government, and many parties including the Samagi Jana Balawegga (SJB), Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP), Tamil National Alliance (TNA) and others have expressed their agreement for further discussions.

Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena, President's Secretary Saman Ekanayake, President's Additional Secretary attorney-at-law Chaminda Kularatne participated in these discussions.

Rains claim three, four missing... From page 01

Disaster Management Centre Deputy Director Pradeep Kodippili stated that Kothmale, Ambagamuwa, Nuwara-Eliya, Rathnapura, Jaffna, Galle, Talawakelle and Kandy areas were drastically affected by the adverse weather conditions.

Kodippili also said that eight people in the Nawalapitiya area who were trapped due to the floods were rescued.

The DMC also said that road blocks were reported from Nuwara-Eliya, Matara and Kandy including Gampola-Kothmale road and Nawalapitiya-Sapugasthal-awa road. The public was encouraged to

use alternative routes. Meanwhile, the Meteorology Department stated that showery and windy conditions are expected to continue in the western and southern sea areas and in the southwest quarter of the island due to active South-west Monsoon.

"Showers or thundershowers will occur at times in Western, Sabaragamuwa, Central, and North-Western provinces and in Galle and Matara districts. Heavy rainfalls above 100 mm can be expected at some places in Sabaragamuwa province and in Kandy, Nuwara-Eli-

ya, Kalutara, Galle and Matara districts. Several spells of showers may occur in Northern and North-Central provinces." the Meteorology Department said. The Meteorology Department issuing an advisory for heavy rains and strong winds noted that heavy falls above 100 mm can be expected at some places in aforesaid land areas. "Strong winds about 50 kmph can be expected at times along the western slopes of the Central hills and in the North-central, Western, North-western

and Southern provinces," it noted. The Meteorology Department issued an advisory for strong winds and rough seas which said that active southwest monsoon conditions are expected to be continue further.

SLPP PS member... From page 01

on a motorcycle and committed the crime at the Mulleriyawa Bank Junction using a pistol. Mulleriyawa police are investigating.

This is the third shooting incident reported in the past four days in and out of Colombo. The first shooting was reported from the Vivekananda Kanda road in the Foreshore Police area on Saturday night (30) and the second shooting was reported at Gammeddegoda in the Rathgama police area on Sunday (31). Both shootings were carried out by unidentified gunmen who came on motorbikes killing two persons.

We will not sell Lake House... From page 01

Minister Gunawardena further emphasized that the President, the Prime Minister or the government have not held any discussion regarding Lake House. As a policy, President Ranil Wickremesinghe never sells his own property or the properties belonging to his relatives.

The Minister said that all State-owned media institutions are currently incurring huge losses. "We are in a very difficult situation in serving of funds to pay next months' salaries of State media institutions. Even though we submitted Cabinet papers to seek funds from the

Treasury, the Treasury has informed us that it is not in a position to provide funds to pay salaries. "So we are going to take a timely decision after discussing with the relevant authorities and trade union members of these institutions in order to help these institutions," he said.

Nimal Siripala sworn... From page 01

on the request of former minister Nimal Siripala de Silva to probe bribery allegations has acquitted him of the charges.

The committee handed over its report to the Secretary to the President Saman Ekanayake on Sunday.

The chairperson of the investigation committee, retired High Court Judge, President's Counsel Kusala Sarojani Weerawardena, handed over the committee's report to the Secretary to the President. The other members of the committee, were retired Senior Deputy Inspector General of Police S.M. Wickremasinghe, and retired special grade offic-

er of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service S.M.G.K. Perera.

Former Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva requested the President to conduct an impartial investigation into the matter raised by the Leader of the Opposition in the Parliament based on the news published in electronic and print media including social media networks that a cabinet minister had asked for a bribe from Japan's Taisei Corporation.

Accordingly, the President appointed the three-member committee on July 22 and informed the members to submit the report of the investigation to him before July 31.

Parliament Committee... From page 01

Addressing media the Opposition Leader said Government ministers and other MPs should see the plight of ordinary people who face immense hardships due to high cost of living and existing shortage of essential goods and therefore it is the duty of all parliamentarians to get together and work hard for the benefit of people. Premadasa said it is pity to say that most Government ministers and MPs are working to achieve their own goals and not to focus on development projects and to rebuild the country.

The Opposition Leader also highlighted on several decomposed and mutilated bodies had washed ashore during the last few days at the Galle Face sea area and said responsible

authorities should speed up investigations into the cause for these deaths. He said in addition to these dead bodies many other killings have also been reported in the recent past even from other areas very often and law makers should be vigilant and take stringent measures to stop such happenings in the future.

Referring to the country's current political atmosphere Premadasa said if the Government is unable to go for a fresh parliamentary election to elect a new leadership the Government should go for another permanent solution to rebuild the country's economy to prosper the lives of people who are currently leading a miserable life due to escalating prices of essential commodity items.

President ceremonially opens... From page 01

Following the ceremonial opening of the new session, President Ranil Wickremesinghe will present the government's policy statement at 10.30 a.m in accordance with the powers vested in him by Article 33 of the Constitution.

Arrangements have been made to hold the ceremony in a simple manner. Thus, there will be no gun salutes or car parades, Sergeant-at-Arms Narendra Fernando said. The President will be received in front of Parliament with a Tri-Forces Guard of Honour. The President's flag will not be hoisted and only the National Flag will be hoisted.

The arrival of the invited guests will take place tomorrow at 9.15 a.m. The arrival of the Members of Parliament will take place first, followed by the arrival of the Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena, Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena and President Ranil Wickremesinghe. Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena and the Secretary

General of Parliament Dhammika Dasanayaka will be welcoming the President at the main steps of the Parliament building. The Speaker and the Secretary General of Parliament will then escort the President to Parliament building along with the Sergeant-at-Arms, Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms and Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.

Students of Devi Balika College, Colombo will line up for the recital of Jayamangala Gatha at the main entrance of the Parliament Building in welcoming the President.

The President will then come to the Robing room and will be there until 10.25 a.m. According to the tradition, the Deputy Sergeant at Arms, Sergeant at Arms with the Mace, the President, the Speaker, the Secretaries and the Assistant Sergeant at Arms are paraded and enter the Chamber. Upon entering the chamber, the Deputy Sergeant at Arms says the President and the Mem-

bers of Parliament stand up and welcome the President according to tradition. After entering the Chamber, the President presides over the sitting and this time, the President's seat is marked with the State Emblem instead of the President's official emblem. At this time, the speaker will sit with the secretaries in the lower seat where the speaker sits during the committee stage. Following the presentation of the Government Policy Statement by the President, the House will be adjourned. Afterwards, a tea party has been organized for Members of Parliament and invited guests. Several officials including foreign diplomats, former Presidents, Prime Ministers, Chief Justice, Supreme Court Judges, Attorney General, Defence Secretary, Commanders of the Tri-Forces and the Inspector General of Police have been invited to the ceremonial opening of the third session of the Ninth Parliament.

More protests will... From page 01

Speaking to the media in Colombo yesterday, he said struggles should be conducted to prevent the corruption and waste of public property in the public sector, stabilise the rupee and uplift the economy. Stating that the tourism sec-

tor was severely affected due to the people's struggles, he said paving the way for increasing the foreign reserves in the country will be helpful to restore the economy. Europe will experience the winter in the coming months and the

Europeans are looking for the Asian Countries to visit during this period. "If Sri Lanka could begin the tourism season in November attracting those tourists, the economy could be revived within a few months," Vidanagama said.

Workers remitting USD... From page 01

Speaking to the media yesterday at the weekly Cabinet media briefing held yesterday at the Government Information Department, Minister Nanayakkara said that the Sri Lankan migrant workers who send dollars to the country and Sri Lankans living abroad are allowed to import electric vehicles.

He further said that the duty relief at the airport will also be increased from 1,750 US dollars to 6,550 US dollars. Import of an electric vehicle is permitted if 3,000 US dollars is remitted.

Minister Nanayakkara stated that this decision has been taken after considering the fact that with the money sent by foreign workers at this difficult time, the country was able to get dollars to make certain purchases.

"There was a decrease in the amount of money sent in the past, but there is an increase in July. We were able to buy oil, gas and medicine because of this money. That is why we made a request to give them the support you can to solve the problem in the country," he said. While some sent money through methods such as Undial Hawala, the people who love the country sent their Dollars, Yen and Dinars through banks themselves. The basic needs of the people of this country could be fulfilled with those dollar reserves. Therefore, with the full agreement of the Cabinet, our Ministry, the Finance Ministry and

the Central Bank together made a proposal to the Cabinet to increase the remittances.

A person who has been abroad for so long and stayed for less than 90 days was entitled to a duty relief of one hundred and eighty seven dollars and fifty cents upon his return to Sri Lanka. One year is six hundred and twenty five dollars. If more than one year, one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars. This relief is available whether dollars are sent to Sri Lanka or not.

While this duty concession remains as it is, if at least two thousand four hundred dollars have been sent to the country in less than ninety days, the duty concession will be increased by six hundred dollars to seven hundred and eighty seven dollars under the silver category. If it is one year, one thousand two hundred and twenty five and if it is more than two thousand three hundred and fifty dollars, the duty concession is entitled.

"If four thousand eight hundred dollars have been sent, it will be 1,175, 1,585 and 2,710. If 7,200 have been sent, it will increase to 1,627, 2,065, 3,190. If at least 12,000 dollars have been sent, under the Gold Plus category, you will get a duty relief of 2,587, 3,025 and 4,150 dollars. If you send 24,000 per year, it will increase by 20% and increase by 4,800 dollars. Accordingly, the duty relief will be at least

4,985, 5,425 and 6,550 dollars. But the maximum ever found was only 1,750," he added. The second proposal is to send any foreign money to Sri Lanka through a bank and give a license to import vehicles to any Sri Lankan.

With the current situation in the country, vehicles are not allowed to be imported to Sri Lanka in any way. That is why a vehicle import license is introduced for foreign workers as the second proposal.

Here, if you have sent more than 3,000 dollars to your own or a relative's account through a bank, they can buy an electric motorcycle for half of the money sent. US\$ 3000 is the lowest value. This permission is not available for three-wheelers. Accordingly, electric vehicles are allowed to be imported from USD 20,000 to a maximum of USD 65,000. These imported vehicles should be in the running range of 300-500. It has to be charged by the solar power system and it has to be prepared or imported by oneself. These vehicles are not allowed to be charged by the national system. This is expected to achieve the main objectives of increasing the import of dollars into the country and reducing the withdrawal of dollars abroad, without affecting the mainstream and protecting the environment. The cycle oil for that will be released in the near future.

Get jabbed against... From page 01

He pointed out that the number of Covid-19 patients and deaths kept increasing.

"In April there were 1,731 covid cases and 26 deaths. That situation decreased to 472 patients and 13 deaths in May. The number of COVID-19 cases in June is 283 with 3 deaths. But in the month of July, the number of Covid-19 patients has increased to 1,616 and deaths 35 and 28 of the 35 deaths occurred after July 18. This shows that we have to

accelerate the vaccination process" he said. He said in the first round 17 million got vaccinated and in the second round this came down to 14 million and in the third it further reduced to 8 million and the fourth dose has been taken only by 22,623 people.

The President said Sri Lanka currently has 8 million doses of the vaccine and this should be used by October and urged the people to get vaccinated at the earliest.

Protester Fr. Jeewantha... From page 01

to suffer by the Government led by former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa. Rev. Fr. Jeewantha Peiris states that the respondents of the petition are trying to arrest him without a justifiable reason.

The petition has cited eight persons including Balangoda OIC Chief Inspector Damith Jayakody, Sub Inspector Pushpakumara, Western Province Senior DIG Deshbandu Tennakoon, IGP C.D Wickramaratne, Army Commander Lieutenant General Vikum Liyanage, Navy Commander Rear Admiral Upul De Silva, Air Force

Commander Air Marshall Sudharshana Pathirana and the Attorney General as the respondents.

The petition was filed through Attorneys Namal Karunaratne and Udara Muhandirange. Petitioner Rev. Fr. Peiris seeks and order declaring that his fundamental rights guaranteed to the petitioner under Articles 12(1), and or 13(1) and or 13(2) and or 14(1)(a) and or 14(1)(b) and or 14(1)(c) and or 14(1)(g) of the Constitution are being violated, and to issue an order preventing him from being arrested.

Al Qaeda leader... From page 01

Zawahiri, an Egyptian surgeon who had a US\$25 million bounty on his head, helped coordinate the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks that killed nearly 3,000 people. One of the U.S. officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the CIA carried out a drone strike in the Afghan capital Kabul on Sunday.

"Over the weekend, the United States conducted a counterterrorism operation against a significant al Qaeda target in Afghanistan," a senior administration official said in a statement to reporters. "The operation was successful and there were no civilian casualties," the official added.

The drone attack is the first

known U.S. strike inside Afghanistan since U.S. troops and diplomats left the country in August 2021. The move may bolster the credibility of Washington's assurances that the United States can still address threats from Afghanistan without a military presence in the country.

In a statement, Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid confirmed that a strike took place and strongly condemned it, calling it a violation of "international principles." Zawahiri's whereabouts - variously rumoured to be in Pakistan's tribal area or inside Afghanistan - had been unknown until the strike.

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Passport of foreigner... From page 01

is being used against 'Aragalaya' protesters such as pointing guns against their heads to drive fear into their minds.

Officials has taken her passport into custody near the Battaramulla area. She has been told to report to the Department within seven days.

A senior official of the Department said that her passport has been taken into custody by the Department in relation to a complaint that she had violated visa conditions.

He said further investigations will be done in this regard.

Friday, a working day... From page 01

Speaking at the weekly Cabinet media briefing held yesterday at the Government Information Department, Minister Gunawardane said Cabinet approval has been granted at their meeting held on June 13, this year not to open government offices during Fridays as a remedy since it has become difficult for the state sector employees to find transport facilities due to the fuel shortage.

State sector employees were also encouraged to engage in agricultural activities on Fridays as a remedy to the impending food scarcity.

Accordingly, a circular was issued on June 15 to permit the closure of government offices on Fridays for three months.

However, the Cabinet of Ministers has now approved the resolution by the Prime Minister in his capacity as Public Administration Minister to cancel the said circular with immediate effect.

The decision has been taken considering the public transport is being normalised and as well as a sufficient period has been allocated to be engaged in the preliminary activities applicable to the agricultural activities.

Cabinet nod for Bill... From page 01

He was speaking at the weekly Cabinet media briefing held yesterday at the Government Information Department.

The approval of the Cabinet of Ministers was granted on October 26 in 2021 to draft a Bill to repeal section II of the Kandyan Marriages and Divorce Act that requires parental consent for the marriage of a minor and to remove the existing non-conformities.

The Legal Draftsman has prepared a Bill for this and the clearance of the Attorney General has also been received for this.

The Cabinet of Ministers approved the proposal presented by Justice, Prison Affairs and Constitutional Reforms Minister to publish this Bill in the Government Gazette and also to submit it for Parliament's approval.

Six attempting to... From page 01

three kilograms and 158 grams and 39 iPhones that were illegally brought into the country on Tuesday (2).

Police said the suspects had cleared the Customs without paying the due tariffs at the airport and were arrested at the arrivals terminal later on a tip-off received.

They are residents of Negombo, Trincomalee and Akurana and had arrived in the country from Dubai by UL-226 flight.

The female suspects were wearing the jewellery while the smart phones had been hidden in the baggage of all six suspects, police said.

The jewellery and smart-phones were valued at Rs.70 million.

Preliminary investigations have revealed that these suspects had gone to Dubai on a visit visa and purchased these items with the intention of smuggling them into the country.

Police suspect that the suspects were able to clear the Customs without paying the duty as there is a well-organized network behind this smuggling.

The CID will hand over the suspects to the Sri Lanka Customs for further investigations.

President opts for... From page 01

a simply tea party with traditional Sri Lankan sweetmeats such as kevu, milk rice, etc.

President Wickremesinghe has advised the House to cut down expenses of the ceremonial opening. Accordingly, the ceremonial opening will not include salute shots, street lines and parades this year. As a part of cutting down expenses, parliament opted to send e-invitation cards to the invitees for the ceremony as well. All health regulations pertaining to COVID-19 pandemic will be strictly adhered to, he said.

No SJB protest... From page 01

SJB MP Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka last week called on the people to get ready for amass protest on August 9 to oust this government. "Sarath told me that he had told about a protest on August 9 to the public but as a Party, we haven't

decided on such a protest," Maddumabandara told the *Daily News* yesterday.

Three arrested in... From page 01

Anti-government protesters gathered in Colombo on July 9 seeking the resignation of then President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe forcibly entered several major administrative buildings in Colombo and also to the private residence of Wickremesinghe on Fifth Lane and set it on fire.

Those arrested are in the ages of 18 and 22 and residents of Madapatha and Colombo 5, police said. Further investigations are conducted by the CID.

No reduction... From page 01

Even though diesel prices have decreased from Monday, it is not practical to give a concession to the people as it is very hard to calculate a fare percentage for the current bus fares.

The Ceylon Petroleum Corporation reduced the price of a litre of Lanka white diesel by Rs.10 from 10 pm last Monday (August 1).

It is appropriate to take a decision regarding bus fares if diesel prices would decrease again in the future," he added.

"We can consider a reduction in the bus fares if the next price revision takes place at a higher percentage," he added.

First man to enter... From page 01

According to the police, this person has threatened the security officers on duty at the Presidential Secretariat premises on the same day with a knife before entering the premises.

He is a 38-year-old resident of old road, Pannipitiya.

The Colombo North Divisional Crimes Investigations Unit is conducting investigations into the incident.

Obituaries

GUNASEKARA - SUNIL JAYANTHA, fondly known as S.J. (Attorney-at-Law), beloved husband of Mala, loving father of Manishka (Lovely), Jehan (Biggie) and Charith (Boochie), much loved brother of Keshini and late Suneetha, brother-in-law of Nimal and late Oliver Sr., father-in-law of Rolando and Binuri and uncle of Theodore, Sudath, Sunethra, Sonali and Oliver. Remains lie at his residence at **340, Old Kottawa Road, Udahamulla, Nugegoda** from 3rd August at 9 a.m. and the Funeral Service is to be held on 4th August 2022 at 12.30 p.m. at the residence, followed by the burial at 3.30 p.m. at Borella Cemetery, General Christian Section. 044686

Diplomatic community apprised on action taken to restore normalcy

Foreign Affairs Minister Ali Sabry, PC on Monday apprised the Colombo-based diplomatic community on action taken to restore normalcy in the country within the framework of the law to ensure the effective functioning of the Government.

The Minister observed that the emergency regulations enacted in July were subject to regular and periodic review.

The Foreign Affairs Minister briefed the Colombo-based Ambassadors and High Commissioners on key developments following the election of the new President and the formation of the new Government, at his first briefing of the diplomatic corps on August 1 at the Foreign Affairs Ministry.

The Minister outlined the recent political developments in Sri Lanka leading up to the election of President Ranil Wickremesinghe and the formation of the interim Government. The related processes had taken place within a democratic constitutional framework. The Foreign Minister reiterated the commitment of the President to speedily resolve the economic challenges faced by the country in discussion with all relevant partners in the international community as a matter of the highest priority. He extended his deep appreciation to the international community for the assistance being extended to Sri Lanka to address issues of relevance in the current socio-economic context.

Elaborating on the broad-based,

consultative approach adopted by the President in addressing the challenges, the Foreign Minister referred to ongoing discussions on forming an all-party Government. Reference was also made to progressive legislative reforms being contemplated in the near-term in accordance with the aspirations of the people.

With regard to the policy priorities of the new Government, which would be presented to Parliament by President Wickremesinghe when Parliament reconvenes for its next session on Wednesday, August 3, Minister Sabry, PC reiterated Sri Lanka's neutral and non-aligned foreign policy based on the principle of friendship towards all.

The Foreign Minister highlighted

the longstanding, democratic credentials of Sri Lanka, including the right to peaceful protest, freedom of assembly and expression. These rights are constitutionally guaranteed and upheld by the Government. He apprised the diplomatic community on action taken to restore normalcy in the country within the framework of the law to ensure the effective functioning of the Government.

Members of the Diplomatic community congratulated the Foreign Minister warmly on the assumption of his new role, and thanked him for the useful update.

Secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Aruni Wijewardane and senior officials of the Ministry were present.



Foreign Minister Ali Sabry, PC apprising the Colombo-based diplomatic community on action taken to restore normalcy in the country within the framework of the law.

Maize cultivation will be facilitated in Maha season - Minister

The Agriculture Ministry will plant 60,000 hectares of maize in the 2022/23 Maha season said the Agriculture Minister yesterday during a discussion with the representatives of the Agricultural Seeds and Planting Materials Producers' Association.

"The main reason for the rapid increase in the prices of liquid milk, eggs and chicken in the market is the shortage of maize required for animal feed. There is not enough foreign exchange to import maize, and there are difficulties in obtaining it because the countries that grow maize do not export their products even though they have foreign exchange," the Minister said.

"Therefore, we have no other option but to grow the maize we need in the country. The Agricultural Seeds and Planting Importers' Association has agreed to provide the total amount of seeds for cultivating maize in the Maha season," the Minister said.

Farmers will be provided with a guaranteed price for maize to ensure a successful maize harvest in the Maha season. The Minister also said that the guaran-



Agriculture Minister Mahinda Amaraweera discussing the proposed maize cultivation along with the members of the Agricultural Seeds and Planting Materials Producers' Association.

teed price will be fixed in such a way that the farmers will not suffer any loss.

It has also been planned to provide the farmers with all the necessary agricultural inputs such as machines, fertilizers and seeds. The Minister also requested that all the farmers should be prepared to grow maize as steps will be taken to provide urea at a subsidized price to the maize farmers just as the fertilizer subsidy was given to the paddy farmers.

"We have imported about 80 per cent of the maize required by our country from other countries. Only about 20 per cent of what we need was cultivated in our country. But to develop our country, we have to

produce what we need ourselves. Therefore, by planting 60,000 hectares of maize in the next Maha season, we will be able to produce the full amount of maize we need. The high commitment of our farmers is necessary in this regard. Our Farmers do not ask for anything free. They say that if we are given a high price for our products and facilities including urea, we are ready to cultivate all the things that the country needs.

The Government is working to provide our farmers with everything they ask for. The Minister also said that the President has decided to give priority to increasing agricultural production in the country.



Unveiling of the Buddha statue at the Panadura Pinwatta Saddhamalankara Piriven Temple was held recently. Ven. Balangoda Radha Thera led the project of constructing the statue with the advice of Ven. Talalle Metthananda Thera, Chandrani Chandragupta and Janaka Sri Chandragupta.

Beedi stock worth five million seized

T.K.G.KAPILA,
Katunayake Corr.

A group of officers of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the Katunayake



The stock. Picture by T.K.G.Kapila

Police seized a stock of 720,000 fake beedis worth five million rupees from a house of a businessman in Avariwatta, Katunayake.

This type of beedi is popular in Sri Lanka and it is produced in Negombo, Pitipana and Mataara. The arrest was made by Katunayake Police on a tip-off.

There is a great demand for this beedi in Katunayake as well. Police has also seized a three-wheeler along with three suspects.

Easter Sunday attacks

Cardinal' PC seeks order to dismiss the request to release the 8th respondent, the current President

DILSHAN THARAKA

President's Counsel Shamil Perera appearing for Colombo Archbishop Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith said that "the king is above the law, but a President who was elected by a majority vote of the people should act in accordance with the Constitution."

He said this before the Supreme Court seeking an order to dismiss the request to release the 8th respondent, current President Ranil Wickremesinghe from these petitions and to allow the request made by the petitioners to proceed with the proceedings against the Attorney General under Article 126 of the Constitution regarding the acts committed by the President Wickremesinghe during his tenure as Prime Minister, when the Easter Sunday attacks had taken place on April 21, 2019.

Since naming current President Ranil Wickremesinghe as a respondent is a questionable situation, according to the provisions of the law regarding fundamental rights, the Attorney General can be named as a respondent on behalf of the President. According to the Constitution, any such proceedings in relation to the exercise of any power pertaining to any such subject or function against the President shall be instituted against the Attorney General. Therefore, he seeks from the court to consider it.

He said this before the Supreme Court yesterday, while making initial submission over the fundamental rights petitions filed against the failure to prevent the

terrorist attack on Easter Sunday despite receiving intelligence information.

Additional Solicitor General Priyantha Navana appearing on behalf of the Attorney General stated that according to Article 35(1) of the Constitution, it is stated that while any person holds office as President, no proceedings shall be instituted or continued against the President in any Court or tribunal in respect of anything done or omitted to be done by him either in his official or private capacity.

He said that Article 35(1) provides coverage not only for the time of holding the office of the President but also for the activities done before that. The Additional Solicitor General stated that the person holding the office of the President is also entitled to immunity from suit not only for his official activities.

He pointed out that giving the opportunity to institute proceedings against the Attorney General on behalf of the President in a fundamental rights petition does not remove that immunity and said that it is an opportunity to challenge his actions for justice. But he added that the President cannot personally nominate or summon the court in relation to it.

He emphasized that the constitutional immunity of the President from the suit also applies to the activities done before he was appointed to that position.

He highlighted that the person who holds the office of President is entitled to this immunity for the activities which were done

before as a minister, prime minister or speaker.

Therefore, the Additional Solicitor stated that President Ranil Wickremesinghe, who is a respondent in these petitions, can be released from the petitions.

President's Counsel Suren Fernando appearing for President Ranil Wickremesinghe also made submissions stating that there is no need to maintain President Wickremesinghe's name in the petitions further and sought from the court to release him.

President's Counsel Manohara de Silva appearing for the petitioners informed the court that according to the Article 35(1) of the Constitution while any person holds office as President, his acts and omissions during his tenure cannot be challenged. The President cannot be brought to court but there is a possibility of challenging his actions according to the law provisions, when filing a Fundamental Rights petition, he added.

Bar Association of Sri Lanka President Saliya Pieris appearing for the petitioners also made his submission before the court and he said that according to the Article 35(1) of the Constitution immunity of President from suit (Blanket Immunity) does not apply to current President Ranil Wickremesinghe's actions, which have done while he was acting as the Prime Minister and can be proceeded against him.

The petitions were taken up before a seven-judge bench comprising Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya, Justices Buwaneka Aluhare, L. T. B. Dehideniya,

Murdu Fernando, S. Thurairajah, A.H.M.D. Nawaz and Shiran Gunaratne.

Considering the submissions made by all parties, the bench fixed to announce their decision on whether or not the then Prime Minister, President Ranil Wickremesinghe will be released from the hearing of those petitions.

The petitions were filed by Nandana Sirimanna, a father who lost his two children in the bombing, businessman Janath Vidanage, three Catholic priests including Sarath Iddamalgoda and Moditha Ekanayake, a lawyer who was a victim in the Shangri-La bombing and others.

Former IGP Pujith Jayasundara, former Defence Secretary Hemasiri Fernando, former President Maithripala Sirisena, former Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe, the then Cabinet and the Attorney General have been named as the respondents in the petitions.

The petitions allege that the respondents did not act to prevent the Easter attack despite intelligence that a terrorist attack was being carried out by a group of Muslim extremists.

The petitions therefore seek an order to take legal action against them for their negligence.

Justices Priyantha Jayawardena and Gamini Amarasekera had earlier stated that they would not attend the hearing of the petition due to personal reasons.

Accordingly, the aforesaid seven member bench was appointed by Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya.

Visitors to Kandy urged to wear face masks

ASELA KURULUWANSA

Kandy Municipal Chief Health and Medical Officer Pasan Jayasinghe yesterday urged the public visiting Kandy to wear a face mask as the threat of COVID 19 is high.

He appealed to those who are visiting Kandy to protect their own health and others.

The doctor was addressing a press conference yesterday at the Kandy Municipal Council.

He said that COVID patients

have been detected in Kandy but no deaths have been reported in the past few months.

He also said that those who have not received all the doses of the COVID vaccine to get vaccinated from the Kandy National Hospital and the Peradeniya Teaching Hospital.

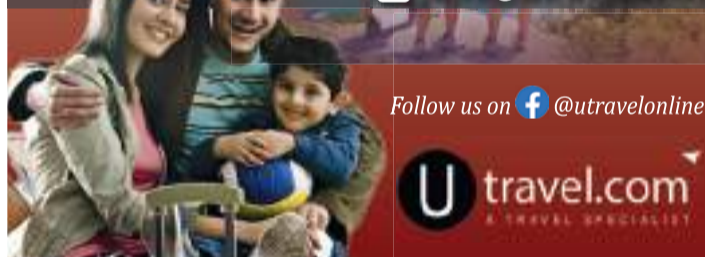
He said that dengue cases have also been reported from the city limits and urged the public to use a mosquito repellent such as citrus oil when they visit Kandy.

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NOTICE

TEEJAY LANKA PLC (PV7617 PB/PQ) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of TEEJAY LANKA PLC (the "Company") will be held online via a virtual platform on Thursday, 18th August 2022 at 2.30 p.m, in order to transact the business envisaged in the Notice of Meeting dated 27th July 2022.

For the detailed notice of meeting and agenda, together with the form of proxy and registration form, please refer the same published on the website of the Colombo Stock Exchange (www.cse.lk) and the website of the Company (www.teejay.com).

Shareholders who wish to participate in the meeting are kindly requested to forward the duly completed registration form available on the above mentioned websites to corporateservices@corporateservices.lk not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.

Further to the circular No. 4 of 2022 dated 27th May 2022 issued by the Colombo Stock Exchange, printed copies of the Annual Reports will not be provided this year. For any questions, please contact Mr. Riyas Ahmed on +94 766036366 during office hours.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TEEJAY LANKA PLC

Corporate Services (Private) Limited
Secretaries/Registrars

On this 27th day of July 2022

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Seven COVID deaths on Monday

A total of seven COVID-19 related deaths that occurred on Monday was confirmed by the Health Services Director-General yesterday.

The dead included two females in the age group of 30 to 59 and three males and two females over 60. Meanwhile health authorities yesterday urged the public to get

the booster vaccine and follow the guidelines as the COVID-19 menace is re-surfacing in the country.

A new variant of the Covid-19 epidemic is spreading rapidly around the world and an increase in the number of infected people in Sri Lanka has been observed in the last few days, the Deputy Director General of Health Services

Dr. Hemantha Herath said. According to the Epidemiology Unit of the Health Ministry, since the outbreak of the COVID-19 in February 2020, Sri Lanka has reported over 665,000 infections and over 16,500 deaths.

The Deputy Director General of Health Services requested the public to be careful and get the

fourth Covid vaccine as soon as possible to avoid infection.

Dr. Herath emphasized that wear facemasks especially in public places, when using public transport as well as in indoor places where a large number of people gather is strongly recommended and health guidelines must be strictly followed.

Over 500,000 Rapid Antigen Tests available, Ministry says

SANDYA KARUNARATNE

The Deputy Director General (Laboratory Services) of the Health Ministry, Dr. Sudath Dharmaratne stated yesterday (02) that the Medical Supply Division has over 500,000 Rapid Antigen Test kits to detect those infected with Covid-19.

He said that if a person is suspected of being infected with

the Covid-19 virus, they can go to the outpatient department of a hospital and get a Rapid Antigen Test done and the government has the necessary facilities for that.

The results of the rapid antigen test can be known in as little as half an hour.

He said PCR tests to detect Covid and Antigen Tests facilities are available in more than

26 laboratories established throughout the country.

The new strain of Covid-19 BA5 virus is spreading rapidly in areas across the country and the Health Department points out that by identifying the infected and keeping them safe, the virus can be prevented from spreading further.

With 108 new cases of Covid-19 diagnosed on Monday (01),

665,847 cases have been diagnosed so far, according to the Epidemiology Department.

The department states that 648,154 of the total infected people have recovered and 1,134 infected people are receiving treatment in hospitals and homes.

A total of 16,559 people infected with the Covid virus have died.

Schools in Nuwara Eliya, Uva closed after heavy rains

DHARMA SRI ABEYRATNE

Schools in the Nuwara Eliya district were closed yesterday as a result of the bad weather situation in the district.

The Nuwara Eliya district experienced heavy rains during the last two days, resulting in floods.

Considering the transport difficulties owing to the heavy rains, Uva Governor Lalith U. Gamage also decided to close all schools today.

After evaluating the situation, it will be decided whether to conduct schools on Thursday.



The classroom of a school in the Nuwara Eliya district flooded after heavy rains.

Four OICs expelled, two transferred

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE

Inspector General of Police C.D. Wickramaratne has taken steps to make changes to the OIC positions in several police stations with effect from August 1.

Accordingly, four OICs have been expelled from their positions, two OICs have been transferred while two other police officers have been appointed as OICs.

The OICs of Puttalam Headquarters Police Station, Nittambuwa Headquarters Police Station, Inginiyagala Police Station and Poddala Police Station have been removed from their positions and transferred to the Kebithigollewa Police Station, Colombo South Division, Polonnaruwa Police Station and Matara Police Station respectively for normal duties.

The OICs of Bloemendhal and Weeraketiya Police Stations have been transferred as the OICs of Bambalapitiya and Muliyaeweli Police Stations respectively.

Meanwhile, IP N.B. Wijetunge attached to the Matara Police Division has been appointed the new OIC of Weeraketiya and IP B.W.M.T. Sanjeeva attached to the Kalutara Division has been appointed the new OIC of the Kalutara Divisional Crimes Unit.



The first Kumbal Perahera of the Kandy Esala Festival paraded the streets yesterday. Picture by Sunil Gunawardena.

Fish sellers ask CID to prevent release of containers of spoilt fish

S. HENNADI, Ragama Corr.

The Peliyagoda Fish Sellers' Association has lodged a complaint with the Criminal Investigations Department asking the CID to prevent the release of 98 containers of fish that were recommended by the Consumer Service Authority and the Fisheries Ministry as unfit for human consumption for the production of salmon and dried fish.

The Association said that they have received information that another party has released these 98 containers to an animal feed and liquid fertilizer manufacturing company located in Madurankuliya.

Fisheries Minister Douglas Devananda has brought the officials of the Sri Lankan Customs Department, the Environment Authority and the Consumer Service Authority to his Ministry recently and had asked them to investigate the matter immediately.

It is said the ship sailing from Seychelles to Thailand with 102 containers of fish had issues with electricity when travelling near the coast of Sri Lanka and the fish had got spoilt and the owner had handed over the container stock to the Customs authority and left saying that the loss will be covered by the insurance.

Funeral of retired Navy Officer tomorrow

Commander (L) Aravinda Senaka Gardihewa (Rtd), who completed 20 years in the Sri Lanka Navy, has passed away.

He was an energetic, talented and a highly professional Electrical Engineer Officer with a very positive attitude, together with strong education qualifications.

His remains lie at his residence at Kandana Road (near Agalawatta Kade), Batuwanne.

The funeral will be held on Thursday (4) evening at Batuwanne Cemetery.



Indian MoD bans import of 18 major defence platforms

DELHI: The Ministry of Defence (MoD) revealed in Parliament on Friday the names of 18 major defence platforms that can no longer be imported. Instead, they will henceforth be indigenously designed and developed (D&D) by domestic industry.

"In continuous pursuit of achieving self-reliance in defence manufacturing under 'Aat-

manirbhar Bharat Abhiyan' and in sync with the announcement made in the Union Budget 2022-23 that allocated 25 percent of the defence R&D budget for industry-led R&D, 18 major platforms have been identified and announced by the MoD for industry led D&D," stated the MoD in a written response to a Parliamentary question. These include Army plat-

forms, such as a light-weight tank, self-healing minefields and "plug-and-play housing" for soldiers posted at extreme altitudes. The Navy platforms including a 127 millimetre naval gun for capital warships, while the Air Force platforms include the long-awaited Indian Multi-Role Helicopter (IMRH) and a stand-off airborne jammer. (Economics Times)

Indian HC issues notices to Delhi, Karnataka, over 'detention' of Sri Lankan citizens in prison

BANGALORE: The Karnataka High Court has issued notices to the union and state government over the alleged detention of Sri Lankan citizens in the central prison at Parappana Agrahara.

A public interest litigation (PIL) on behalf of 25 persons was filed by the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KLSLA),

which was heard by the division bench headed by the Acting Chief Justice Alok Aradhe on Monday.

The bench directed issuance of notices to the Union Home Ministry, National Investigation Agency, Karnataka Home Ministry, Mangaluru South Police and Bengaluru Urban Deputy Commissioner.

During a visit to the Central

Prison, the member secretary of the KLSLA found that 38 Sri Lankan nationals including the 25 named in the PIL were allegedly illegally detained there, according to the PIL.

The PIL claims that this detention is 'illegal' and a violation of human rights, and sought that these people be transferred to

detention centres. The Mangaluru police had, based on information that these 25 Sri Lankan nationals were illegally staying in the Seaport Guest House without proper documents and passports, filed cases against them under various sections of the IPC, it was alleged.

(PTI)

Navy teams on standby for flood relief operations



Sri Lanka Navy has kept 48 relief teams on standby as of yesterday (2) morning to provide relief to the people who would be vulnerable to flash floods, with water levels of rivers rising due to heavy downpours reported in several parts of the country.

The Western, Southern and Northwestern Naval Commands have kept 27, 8 and

13 relief teams ready for flood relief duties. The Navy deployed two flood relief teams in of Ratnapura New Town and rushed another team to Muwagama in Ratnapura on August 1.

Navy flood relief teams have been kept standby for prompt deployment, in close coordination with the Disaster Management Centre.

Proposal to ensure sustainability of state enterprises approved

The following are the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers held on August 1.

Management of expenditure of state corporations, statutory boards and government owned companies

The monitoring efficiency as well as the financial discipline of the state enterprises have to be ensured strictly with a view to enabling the government to face the challenging situation existing within the country at present. Accordingly, the Cabinet of Ministers has granted their concurrence to the proposal submitted by the President as the Finance, Economic Stability and National Policies Minister in order to issue circular instructions for expenditure management and ensuring the sustainability of the state corpora-



tions, statutory boards and government owned companies, parallel to the National Budget Circular No. 03/2022 dated April 26 issued in regard to the controlling of government expenditure.

Granting duty concessions on imports by local garment manufacturing equipment / appliances

The garment industry has become one of the main sectors earning foreign exchange for Sri Lanka even amidst the Covid-19 pandemic.

However, due to the price hike of raw materials and the prevailing unfavourable economic environment experienced in the country, local garment manufacturers are compelled to deal with a number of challenges when importing appliances required for garment manufacturing that are not produced locally.

Accordingly, the Cabinet of Ministers granted approval to the resolution furnished by the Industries Minister for granting duty concessions in regard to applianc-

es / items not manufactured locally and coming under 19 harmonized system (HS) codes, as a remedy to the prevailing situation.

Enactment of the Constitution of the Sri Lanka UNESCO National Commission

The need to recognize and strengthen in Sri Lanka UNESCO National Commission has long been recognized.

In accordance with the Cabinet decision dated June 14, 2021, Legal Draftsman has prepared a bill for this purpose and the clearance of the Attorney General has also been received for this.

Accordingly the Cabinet of Ministers approved the proposal presented by the Education Minister to publish this in the Government Gazette and consequently table in the Parliament for approval.

Fuel crisis severely affects irrigation for cultivation

NIMAL WIJESINGHE

Anuradhapura Additional District Group Corr.

It was revealed at the Anuradhapura District Agriculture Committee meeting that due to the acute fuel crisis, essential renovation of a number of tanks and irrigation projects are severely disrupted.

Also the irrigation staff were prevented from regular supervision of some tanks namely, Mahawilachchiya, Mahadivulwewa, Maha Bulankulama, Mahamankadawala, Elayapaththuwa, Rambewa Kallanchiya and Nochchiyagama, which are likely to be breached by the heavy monsoon rains expected soon.

Under these circumstances the Anuradhapura Irrigation Director S.D. Mediawaka insisted that the Anuradhapura Government Agent intervene immediately to ensure the supply of adequate water to the Irrigation Department to overcome the existing crisis. He pointed out that if this situation continues it would badly affect the 2022/23 Maha season too.

Anuradhapura DAC Chairmen Government Agent Janaka Jayasundara emphasized that it was essential for the government employees to work with utmost dedication even amidst an arduous period as at present.

He emphasized that he would make all possible efforts to solve the burning fuel crisis prioritizing the agricultural and irrigation requirements in the district, in view of the most vital food security. Referring to the 2022 Yala seasonal paddy purchasing the officials of the Paddy Marketing Board (PMB) informed the committee that at present the PMB has commenced buying paddy at Rs. 110 per kg.

It was disclosed that the Anuradhapura PMB has milled the paddy stocks purchased in the last few seasons and rice stocks have been already marketed. The committee instructed the PMB management to keep a buffer stock for the Anuradhapura district. In this connection the farmer organizations representatives present at the DAC meeting demanded that the PMB buy paddy at least at the rate of Rs. 150 per kilogram. They pointed out that under the circumstances the expenditure being incurred for the production of paddy was rising due to scarcity of fuel, fertilizer and seeds and the exorbitant prices available in the black market are not affordable. Anuradhapura Additional Government Agent Vijaya Wanasinghe District Agriculture Director Litha Thenuwara, Assistant Government Agent Ayomim Ratnayake and District Agrarian Deputy Commissioner Chaminda Ekanayake were also present.

Thieves dressed as policemen steal gold jewellery

NUWAN JAYASEKARA

Sooriyawewa Special Corr.

Two thieves who were dressed as policemen robbed gold jewellery worth of Rs. 960,000 from a house in Andarawewa in Sooriyawewa.

The woman in the house complained to police that two persons came to her house around 7.00 pm one evening and identified themselves as police officers and inspected the house for firearms.

Police said that the suspects had threatened her with a knife and robbed the jewellery. The victim is a 40-year-old woman from Joolwewa Road.

Sooriyawewa Police are investigating the incident.

India to grant kerosene for fisheries harbours

NIMAL WIJESINGHE

Anuradhapura Additional District Group Corr.

Every fisheries harbour will be provided with adequate stocks of kerosene within the next few days. The scarcity of kerosene oil will be solved once the 10,000 metric tons arrive from India next week, said Fisheries Minister Douglas Devananda during his fact-finding tour to a number of fisheries har-

bours in the Southern Province, recently. The Minister visited the main fisheries harbours, namely, Kirinda, Hambantota, Dodanduwa, Hikkaduwa, Paraliya, Ambalangoda, Panadura, etc.

The Minister collected firsthand information about the level of the construction of ongoing fisheries harbour development projects, the proposed development work, short-

ages and immediately needed welfare and other infrastructural facilities at the fisheries harbours.

"President Ranil Wickremesinghe has intervened in initiating formal discussions with the government of Russia for buying diesel and petrol. The President is well aware of the problems being faced by the fisheries community, and as such he has appointed a special Parliamentary

Committee for submitting a report on the present problems and the grievances of the fishermen and recommendation to remedy them," Minister Devananda said.

The Minister stated that the fisheries harbours development activities which have been halted or are only making slow progress in the face of the critical economic crisis, would be revived soon. If the gov-

ernment was not financially strong enough to invest on the construction of large-scale stone walls at a number of fisheries harbours, such projects would be implemented as public-private enterprises. Minister Devananda said that the removal of sand operation at the Kirinda Fisheries Harbour and the construction of a breakwater at the Hambantota Harbour would commence soon.

Divisional Secretary illegally stores fuel in official residence



Th Police raided the Divisional Secretary's house on a tip-off.

RASULA DILHARA GAMAGE

Northern Province Special Corr.

The Muthukudirippu Police seized a consignment of fuel illegally stored at the Puthukudirippu Divisional Secretariat's official residence, on Sunday.

The Police seized 235 litres of fuel hidden in the bathroom of the Divisional Secretariat's official residence.

The Police raided the house on a tip-off given by the public and they

found 120 litres of diesel, 110 litres of petrol and five litres of kerosene oil stored in the bathroom.

Police said that the Divisional Secretariat said the consignment of fuel was owned by a male servant in the house, but the Police said there was only one female worker at the house.

The Police are taking measures to file a case against the Divisional Secretariat in court.

Gas black marketeer arrested

MAHINDA P. LIYANAGE, Galle Central Spl. Corr.

A person who sold LP Gas at a higher price was arrested by the Galle Police on Monday evening (01) together with the officers of the Galle office of the Consumer Protection Authority (CPA).

The suspect is a son of a reception hall owner in Galle.

On information that the suspect was supplying a 12.5 kg LP Gas cylinder for Rs. 8,500 on order over the phone to the place the customer wanted, in his own luxury vehicle, the CPA officials had placed an order over the phone and had requested the supplier to bring the cylinder of gas to a place near Galle Sangamitta College.

Accordingly the gas supplier had delivered the order to the CPA official when the police officers who were at the same place had arrested suspect while the deal was being executed.

The arrest was collectively made by CPA officials D.K.L. Chandana, G.R. Amarasiri and S.S. Rankothdiveleda led by their head H.G.P. Indunil and Sergeants Samaranyake and Sampath of Galle Police Miscellaneous Complaints Unit.

Gambling den in Panadura raided

THUSITHA KUMARA SILVA

Aluthgama Corr.

A gambling den where millionaire businessmen played the illegal card game Booruwa in Angampitiya in Panadura was raided and 15 persons were arrested by the Walana Anti Corruption Unit on Sunday (31).

Police seized Rs 12.08 million which was placed by the gamblers at the time of the raid. The suspects were from Meepe, Meegoda, Paduk-

ka, Kadawatha, Athurugiriya, etc. Police said that there were large-scale fish businessman, large-scale land sale businessman, vehicle sale owners, bakery owners, etc., among the suspects and a loser of Rs. 40 million in the gambling den as well.

The suspect businessman who ran the gambling den was among the arrested suspects.

It was impossible for police to raid the spot for a long time due to the fact that the gambling den was

maintained on a mountain top in a forest area in Angampitiya, Halpe-watte, in Panadura and was provided protection by many informants in the area in addition to the some officers in the police. Due to these reasons the Padukka Police was said to have been unable to raid and arrest the suspects of the gambling den which was held on a day-to-day basis. However 20 officers were deployed in the raid and they hid in the forest on Saturday and made a

surprise raid on Sunday leaving no room for any suspects to flee.

The den was in operation from 4.00 pm to 9.00 pm everyday and was provided light using rechargeable batteries. The businessmen who came in luxury vehicles park their vehicles at the Meepe junction and walk to the area where the gambling den is located.

The suspects were released on police bail and are to be produced before the Awissawella Magistrate.

Tipper turns turtle, one dead



The tipper the tipper turned turtle at the 30th milepost on the Thanamalwila - Udawalawa road on Sunday.

G.I.R. GARUSINGHE

Wellawaya Special Corr.

A tipper assistant died on the spot when the tipper turned turtle at the 30th milepost on the Thanamalwila - Udawalawa road on Sunday (31).

The deceased was identified as J. Dhammika Udayasiri (37) of Warunagama, Wellawaya. The driver who suffered severe injuries was admitted to the Thanamalwila Hospital and was later transferred to Hambantota Hospital.

According to the police, the tipper which was transporting 4,700 bricks to Colombo from Anapallama had gone out of control and turned turtle.

It took the villagers and passersby more than two hours to take the driver and the tipper assistant out of the vehicle.

Rape case accused acquitted

MAHINDA P. LIYANAGE

Galle Central Spl. Corr.

Galle High Court Judge Kavindya Nanayakkara acquitted and released a defendant who had been charged with the criminal offence of raping a married woman on her way back home after handing over green tea leaves to the factory.

The defendant was identified as Walawa Hewage Chaminda. The prosecution had charged that on January 25,

2011, the accused had taken the 21-year-old victim, a resident of Beruwala in the Nageda police area, to a rocky outcrop while she was returning home after taking green tea leaves to the factory.

It was revealed in the trial that the accused was 21 years old at that time and the woman who was raped was also a 21-year-old married woman.

Proclaiming the judgement, the High Court judge

said that no acceptable facts had been presented to the court to confirm the testimony of the complainant.

Accordingly, the defendant should be given the benefit of the doubt over the testimony of the complainant and therefore the accused will be acquitted, the judge affirmed. State Counsel Ishara Jayarathna prosecuted, while attorney-at-law Epa Aruna Shantha represented the respondent.

UNFPA Request for Quotation - shortened deadline

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is the lead UN agency addressing that expands the possibilities for women and young people to lead healthy sexual and reproductive lives.

RFQ No UNFPA/LKA/RFQ/22/05 - Services of an institution/company/ies to conduct a campaign to promote women's helplines and encourage women and girls to seek support when faced with gender-based violence (GBV).

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Next Super Jackpot: Rs. 55,979,852/-

Total Value of Prizes: Rs. 3,007,840/-

Winning Numbers: 06 13 21 26

English Letter: P

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Winning Numbers: 06 21 45 75

Total Value of Prizes: Rs. 2,706,380/-

Next Super Jackpot: Rs. 71,277,095.10

English Letter, Super Number & Winning Numbers Draw No.: 985 Colour: Light Blue

25 36 16 24 39 74

Monday Date: 01.08.2022

Total Value of Prizes: Rs. 3,686,060/-

Next Super Jackpot: Rs. 251,025,439/-

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Next Super Jackpot: Rs. 34,305,792/-

Winning Numbers: 02 05 25 68

English Letter: E

Total Value of Prizes: Rs. 2,406,420/-

ADA KOTIPATHI Wednesday Draw No.: 1437 Colour: Pink

Date: 03.08.2022

Today's Jackpot: Rs. 56,054,950/-

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A welcome move

The decision taken by the top to replace all military officers functioning as Ministry Secretaries with Administrative Service officers is a move in the right direction and one that will be welcomed by all members of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service who must have felt left out and unceremoniously ousted by individuals who had no idea of the job at hand. Most of the present woes that have beset the country were attributed to the wrong advice tendered to the President by persons who were not competent to tender such advice in the first place and the retired military officers who held civilian posts during the past two and half years under the Gotabaya Presidency could certainly fit onto this category. Prowess on the battlefield certainly does not qualify one to hold positions that have no relation to warfare. What is the outcome of these appointments? It would be interesting to ascertain if the Ministries to which these military men were appointed Secretaries had made any gains or had marked an improved performance since their take over during the two and half years.

The former President indeed made a lot of wrong appointments for which the country is paying a heavy price today. Ex-President Gotabaya Rajapaksa himself tendered an apology to the nation for making the wrong decisions, which, no doubt, was due to following the wrong advice, chief among which was the decision to ban chemical fertilizer and the delay in seeking IMF assistance. Hardly anything is heard today of the paediatrician who advised the President to go 100 percent organic although the former Central Bank Governor has been slapped with a travel ban by the Court in a case filed against him for wrong decisions that caused damage to the economy. This is as it should be. All those who took arbitrary decisions that led to the present catastrophe should be made accountable for their follies and where possible the public compensated. Most of them are entitled to fat pensions which are paid for by the public whom they swindled by the injudicious decisions. Their bank balances should be checked and any inordinate earnings should be forfeited and the money used for the public benefit.

As a former military officer and one time Defence Secretary Gotabaya Rajapaksa may have thought of rewarding those military officers who contributed to the war victory by offering them posts in his administration or for purely being his colleagues in the Army. But in doing so he handed these ex-military officers subjects and tasks that were quite alien to their profession. This has been the case with most of the appointments under his rule. In-laws, friends and relatives got precedence in the appointments made to top Government posts. The sorry state into which the National Carrier has been reduced is a direct result of one such appointment.

Military officers whose capabilities lay on the battlefield could not be expected to handle issues and take decisions on matters that were strictly the province of civilian administrative officers with long experience and training on the subject. In the end, what was witnessed was, officers with administrative skills and competence having to vegetate in the so-called pool or Siberia kicking their heels while the military men ruled the roost in civilian positions dealing with subjects that were completely out of their depth. The rotten state of affairs in the Ministries and Departments that were under military officers is proof that the exercise was an unmitigated disaster. At least now let saner counsel prevail and the right man/woman be appointed for the right job. The country's present plight owes itself much to the poor choice of appointments to top posts in Government as with poor decision making.

The appointment of retired military officers to civilian administrative posts was among the reasons for foreign countries to suspend aid to Sri Lanka. This is more so since some of the appointed officers had allegations of human rights violations and even war crimes levelled against them at the Geneva Human Rights Commission hearings, a sure recipe for the suspension of GSP Plus facility. Hence it is a wise move to have all military officers removed before the next hearing of the Commission in a few weeks from now. Besides, it is a waste of both human and financial resources to have military officers take over posts strictly meant for the officers of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service. The military officers who functioned as Ministry Secretaries were paid salaries in addition to receiving their pensions while the Administrative officers who were cooling their heels too were being paid their regular salaries for simply idling away their time. Can the country afford such a luxury? Perhaps another reason that must have motivated the former President to appoint military officers to civilian administrative positions may have been to prevent corruption in the Government departments. However, whatever the motive, the decision had failed to pay off. It was indeed poor judgement on the part of the former President who not only paid heed to wrong advice from the wrong quarters but also dismissed from office knowledgeable and qualified Administrative Service officers who tendered sound advice and who were later vindicated.

SOCIAL POWDER-KEG AT FUEL STATIONS

RAJPAL ABEYNAYAKE

Though hi-tech is the direction in which the petrol rationing has gone, the QR code system that prevails now belies a reality at petrol stations. QR or no QR the queues are long, and the ration is a ration. The petrol given out to each individual is minuscule — and the ration therefore ensures that people cannot most often go out of town, or do what they normally did with their vehicles.

Therefore a QR code does seem a high-tech decoration upon a very low-tech enterprise which is why nobody could be quite smug about a QR code. But worse, the rationing culture for petrol and some other commodities, we are told, is here to stay for a while. This is not the most appetizing prospect.

It's where the imperatives of statecraft meet the ordinary demands of livelihoods. The various systems that we have had since the rationing began such as the numbers system that gave out fuel on the basis of the last digit of the vehicle number plate — and now the QR code — have not been exempt from being made useless sometimes by the shenanigans that go on at petrol stations.

There are policemen that man these fuel stations and it is a fact that sometimes they connive in the various schemes that grant an advantage to some folk who are willing to do the 'unorthodox'. The police smuggle in bikes and vehicles at the head of the queue in some places, and this is done quite blatantly sometimes.

If there are protests by queue standers at such manipulations, there are the rules and regulations themselves that are used against the protestors. So what use is hi-tech and QR codes if at the stage of implementation there are substantial hiccups? These should be looked into, but those that conceive the methodology of the QR codes etc. assume that everything would be fine now that hi-tech has been the recourse. They probably didn't do a live test of their procedures themselves, and are shielded from the bad news that all these systems are subject to the corruption and shenanigans that take place at fuel stations.

ARRANGEMENT

It is imperative therefore that something is done about the policing that takes place at fuel stations. If some of the policemen are corrupt, there would be no alternative perhaps but to ensure that there is military control to ensure that there is no skulduggery at the head of the queue.

These are the issues that turn ordinary people against the Government even if people are satisfied that the Government is doing the best it can under the circumstances. Most people are not even satisfied about that much. But when the controls that are there as such are also flouted, then there is no way that there would be any faith in the rationing regimen that takes place.

This is a very dangerous trend from the point of view of any regime, particularly in the backdrop of everything that has taken place in the past few months which have seen dissent boiling over into protests against the regime, that has sometimes deteriorated into arson attacks etc.



Implementing a QR code system along will not bring discipline at fuel stations. Picture by Samantha Weerasiri

Bad discipline with regard to fuel rationing is a definite way to ensure that law and order would be challenged. The people are at the end of their tether, but if corrupt policemen have a field day and favour various people in return for bribes etc. at the pump that would be disastrous.

are hamstrung by the fuel quota and have no way out.

The restaurant business is fully out of whack because people cannot get from A to B. It's the same for many other trades and vocations where travel is a *sine qua non*. It is therefore highly disturbing to hear that there are plans to 'extend the rationing system for one year.'

SHUTTERS

The authors of these systems may be smug and may think that their 'austerity' is clever under the circumstances, but if they don't calculate the damage to the economy that is already in the doldrums, there is something that could be wrong with their policymaking.

Rations were never a good thing, but rationing of fuel is not positive under any circumstances. The lack of transportation options strikes at the heart of the economy, and it's not something that people can 'make do with.'

People may be able to 'make do with' less food or less attractive clothing options, but if they try to cut corners with transportation, it very often means that they would be putting the shutters up on the economy.

Also, the corruption that comes with fuel rationing systems etc. can become endemic. Therefore the

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sooner the rations are done away with the better, but it is a matter of mindset. Policymakers must get out of the 'we have to do this for one year' approach and be optimistic that one way or the other this rationing is a temporary phenomenon, that won't last for more than a few months.

In some countries there are basics other than fuel that are scarce, but the fuel scarcity has been unique in recent times to Sri Lanka. If there are no alternatives, someone said that we must get used to using gasohol.

UNEQUIVOCALLY

But that's a giant leap, and there may be vested interests that are against it. It's why the authorities ought to take fuel rationing extremely seriously. The aim should be to do away with the quota systems as soon as possible, but until that's done the arrangements that are there must be fool-proof and not subject to manipulation by the cops and by unsavory elements.

The people of this country are resourceful but they are also sometimes too used to endemic corruption. But when it comes to essentials such as fuel, it is guaranteed that there is so much they can take. One thing can be said unequivocally.

The corruption now taking place at fuel stations is far too glaring, no matter what system is in place. Things are bound to boil over if nothing is done about it. QR codes are only the technical side. There are scores of other practical issues such as policing that are in fact far more important but it seems that the authorities are too tuned to the 'clever side's of things i.e QRs and hi-tech, which makes them forget that practicalities often defeat their best intentions.

If the current levels of irregularity by Law Enforcement — the sometimes blatant bribery and other irregular practices at fuel-stations — are not addressed and the issues resolved, the consequences could be extremely dangerous. The system could implode and it would be as if somebody lit a match over a jerrycan of petrol — everything would go up in smoke. Do the authorities want such a devastating outcome?



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

No enemy is worse than bad advice - Sophocles



Food is being served.

Volunteers help to prepare food.

Food preparation work starts in the morning.



COMMUNITY KITCHENS TO FIGHT HUNGER

"If you cannot feed a hundred people, then feed just one"

— Mother Teresa (1910 - 1997)

I am used to skipping meals regularly and I can manage the day without rice, but I do not want to see my children go to bed or go to school with an empty stomach. They are small. What do they know about life's many challenges? I try my best to give them three meals a day, but it is increasingly getting hard and I am weary of all the prevailing difficulties, which are only getting worse day-by-day," Padma Wijesena* (39), a mother of two kids aged 9 and 11, said with a sigh.

Living in a rented room near Rajagiriya, she had come with her children to have free meals offered by the 'Community Kitchen' operated by the Voice for Voiceless Foundation, a registered non-profit organisation, located at Bethany Christian Life Center, Rajagiriya.

Talking to the *Daily News* after the meal, she said that neither her husband nor she has a fixed job or income, and finding work has become difficult these days.

"These are hard times for all, aren't they? Not only the food prices, but also the cost of all other items is going up in an unimaginable way, making them unaffordable to us. We have also borrowed money. It is scary to think about the future," she added.

"There is not even an election in sight for us to get some relief," Shiro-mi Colombage* (45) joined in the conversation as she prepared to leave with her child after having food.

"I look after my sick mother, who is 80-years-old, and we do not get the Samurdhi Allowance or the Elders' Allowance, and we do not have a house to live in. We move from place to place. I feel like an outcast. In addition to this child, who is schooling, I have a 13-year old differently-abled child. I worked as a domestic aide and sometimes looked after patients, but now I am out of work. I heard about this place, where they give free lunch, from a neighbour and have been coming here since then," she said.

The prevailing economic meltdown is, no doubt, stretching many families to their limits and the people's distress is written all over their faces.

FOOD INSECURITY

In the face of record food price inflation, skyrocketing fuel costs and widespread commodity shortages, some 6.26 million Sri Lankans, or three in 10 households, are unsure of where their next meal is coming from, the World Food Programme (WFP) highlighted, based on its assessment last month. The WFP jointly with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) recently conducted a 'Crop and Food Security Assessment Mission' at the request of the Sri Lankan Government.

"Of these, at least 65,600 people are severely food insecure. The majority of assessed households (61 percent) are regularly employing food-based coping strategies such as eating less preferred and less nutritious food, reducing the amount of food they eat and giving preference to younger members in the family. Two in five households are not consuming adequate diets," the WFP said in its Situation Report on Sri Lanka released on July 6.

Inflation, which is on an upward spiral, increased to 60.8 per cent in



Hunger is common to all.

July from 54.6 per cent in June as per the Colombo Consumer Price Index, the Census and Statistics Department announced last Friday. Food inflation (Year-on-Year) reached a staggering 90.9 per cent in July, limiting households' purchasing power and thereby causing many families to go hungry.

The WFP Update on Sri Lanka on July 15 mentioned that the people's incomes have plummeted in the last three months, and about two in five households reported that their income has been cut in half.

Responding to the crisis situation, the WFP launched a US\$ 60 million emergency appeal for food and nutrition in June to assist three million of the most at-risk Sri Lankans. "We must act now before this becomes a humanitarian catastrophe," warned WFP Chief David Beasley in a tweet.

"Even before the current crisis, Sri Lanka had the second highest child malnutrition rate in South Asia, and two in five infants were not fed the minimum acceptable diet. With soaring food prices, 70 per cent of households are now reporting reduced food consumption," United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) reported on June 10 while appealing for US\$ 25 million to meet the urgent needs of 1.7 million children affected by the economic crisis in Sri Lanka. UNICEF, in its statement on Sri Lanka, stated that more than 5.7



Community Kitchens provide a nutritious meal.

million people, including 2.3 million children, require humanitarian assistance.

WFP Deputy Regional Director (Asia Pacific) Anthea Webb, speaking to a local private television channel about the food crisis and its effect on malnutrition, underlined that the vulnerable people, young children and pregnant women need to be protected.

"Now that prices of food have gone up sharply, those people who were already struggling are very close to being pushed over the edge...The reason I am so worried about children and pregnant women is that the effect of not being well-nourished carries throughout their life. Their ability

to be healthy and smart and productive in their life is damaged, and it is something that is almost impossible to reverse. Intervention should happen now. There is no time to lose. We do not want to see anyone suffering more than they currently are," she stressed.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

While international organisations have stepped up their relief activities in Sri Lanka to help the most vulnerable groups, the concept of "Community Kitchen", or "Soup Kitchen" as known in some other countries, has been adopted by several charity organisations within the country to do what is



Food is being prepared at the Community Kitchen.

PEOPLE GATHER NEAR THE COMMUNITY KITCHENS BY NOON, AND THEY ARE SERVED A HEALTHY MEAL WHILE IT IS WARM. THE COST PER MEAL IS SAID TO BE ABOUT RS. 200. IN THE MONTH OF JUNE, THE VOICE COMMUNITY KITCHENS HAD PROVIDED A TOTAL OF 10,478 MEALS. ANYONE WHO IS HUNGRY CAN EAT, AND FOOD IS SERVED ONLY TO HAVE IT THERE. A LARGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WORKERS ARE SEEN AMONG THE CROWD EVERY DAY.



Voice for Voiceless Founder Senior Pastor Dishan de Silva

within their reach to feed the hungry.

Carried out through community-based efforts and volunteerism, these initiatives have fared well in these difficult times with the generosity of local and foreign donors. Transparency of funds and proper acknowledgement of all donations will help these Charities to maintain the public confidence throughout.

Presently, the Voice for Voiceless Foundation operates 12 community kitchens across the country, providing 1,800 plus free nourishing meals a day (on the weekdays) to the needy. These centres are located at Rajagiriya (Bethany Christian Life Center), Obesekarapura, Kadawatha, Delft Island, Batticaloa, Negombo, Wattala, Jaffna, Matara, Maskeliya, Vauniya and Kilinochchi.

On August 1, the Voice Community Kitchen initiative completed two months. Pastor Moses Akash de Silva, National Director of the Foundation, decided to start a community kitchen as many families were struggling to keep the home fires burning amidst the soaring Cost of Living and acute shortages of LP Gas and Kerosene.

"We began in a small way, and our first target was to serve meals for 50 people who would otherwise go hungry. It was meant to ease the present-day crisis. Gradually, we could feed more people and expand to other locations with the help of volunteers and donors. We have a minimum of 10-15 volunteers at each centre every day. Many corporations, private companies, and individuals have come forward to

help us financially and also with manpower," Voice for Voiceless Founder Senior Pastor Dishan de Silva told the *Daily News*.

COLLECTIVE EFFORT

As this is a participant-driven programme, he pointed out that, the people in the area take the responsibility to operate the kitchen. Food is prepared in large aluminium cooking pots and firewood is used to cook. From washing and chopping vegetables to serving them to plates, the youth and women in the area give their volunteer support.

People gather near the community kitchens by noon, and they are served a healthy meal while it is warm. The cost per meal is said to be about Rs. 200. In the month of June, the Voice Community Kitchens had provided a total of 10,478 meals. Anyone who is hungry can eat, and food is served only to have it there. A large number of children and Municipal Council Workers are seen among the crowd every day.

"There are some people who come here daily to have food. As information passes by word of mouth, new individuals and families come to the community kitchen every day. Currently, we can only provide food, but when we talk to them, we see that some have other pressing needs too," de Silva noted.

"Sri Lanka will have a better tomorrow if every Sri Lankan starts thinking what he or she can do to help another. It can be a helping hand, donation or even a kind word. We are committed to that end. On the other hand, this project causes people of all strata, all races, and all religions to come together and work for the common good. It is a beautiful thing to see," he added.

More information on the Voice Community Kitchens and how to contribute to their cause can be obtained from the Facebook page of the Voice for Voiceless Foundation.

As it is evident that Sri Lanka is not going to see a light at the end of the tunnel any sooner and that the economy will worsen before it could see some improvement in the medium term, more and more initiatives like these are a need of the hour. Despite all the negativity going around the country, it is heartening to see this type of positive vibes among the people to pull together and fight hunger. At the same time, the Government should pull its socks up and implement a social safety net for the vulnerable groups.

(*Names have been changed to protect identity)

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Chairman
National Livestock Development Board,
No. 40, Nawala Road, Narahenpita, Colombo 05.
Telephone : 011-2501701/2, 011-5746308

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Ministry of Trade

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The Tender Board retains the right of the final decision.

Chairman,
Procurement Committee,
Co-operative Wholesale Establishment,
No. 27, Vauxhall Street,
Colombo 02.

Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority (SLSEA)

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Hiring a firm for supply of IT related services

Procurement Number: SEA/PD/IM/16-2022

- The Director General of SLSEA, Department Procurement Committee invites bids from suitable companies for supplying IT related services for Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority. Interested bidders can inspect/download the Bid documents by logging into the SLSEA's website: www.energy.gov.lk. Interested parties who wish to submit their bids shall make a non-refundable cash payment of LKR 500.00 to SLSEA's General Account No. 0074944408 in Bank of Ceylon Torrington Square branch (453). A copy of the above payment receipt shall be submitted along with the bid. Bids without a copy of the payment receipt will be rejected. A scanned copy of the receipt should be sent to procurement.slsea@gmail.com and slseafinance@gmail.com.
- Sealed bids marked, 'Hiring a firm for supply of IT related services - SEA/PD/IM/16-2022' on the top left-hand corner of the envelope shall be sent to reach the Chairman, Procurement Committee, Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority, No 72, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 07, through registered post or deposited in the tender box placed in SLSEA office at No. 72, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 07 at or before **10.30 a.m. on 23rd August 2022**. Late bids shall be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after the closing time in the presence of bidders or their representatives who wish to be present.
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03rd August 2022

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Ministry of Agriculture, Agrarian Development, Irrigation, Water Supply & Drainage, Food Supplies & Distribution, Trade & Co-operative Development - Southern Province

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US used 'flying ginsu' missile to kill Al-Qaeda Leader

**Ayman al-Zawahiri:
From surgeon to Al-Qaeda chief**

**'Justice delivered'
- US President**

**Taliban condemns
drone attack**



Ayman al-Zawahiri with Osama bin Laden during a 2001 interview.

US, AFGHANISTAN: Al-Qaeda head Ayman al-Zawahiri has been killed in a drone strike in Afghanistan's Kabul, US President Joe Biden said in his latest address, calling it a moment of justice for families of 2,977 people killed in September 11, 2001 terror attack. Speculation is rife that the United States may have used Hellfire R9X, a warhead-less missile, which is used in finely targeted attacks. Al-Zawahiri - born in a prominent Egyptian family - worked as an eye surgeon as a young adult and gradually rose to top of the terror outfit. He was

Osama Bin Laden's successor. An Egyptian national, Ayman al-Zawahiri was born on June 19, 1951, in Giza in the African nation. In June 2011, he was announced as Al-Qaeda's second 'General Emir', following the killing of his predecessor, Osama bin Laden, in a US raid in Pakistan's Abbottabad in May that year.

The 71-year-old Ayman al-Zawahiri was a surgeon and served in the Egyptian Army for three years.

In the wake of 9/11, the US State Department announced a reward of up to US\$25 million for information

leading to capture of al-Zawahiri, who, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), had a whole host of aliases.

Meanwhile, US President Joe Biden confirmed that a US drone strike in Afghanistan over the weekend killed Al-Qaeda leader Ayman al-Zawahiri, declaring "justice has been delivered".

The precision strike was carried out on Saturday and "no civilians were hurt" in the operation.

Meanwhile, the Taliban has condemned the killing of al-Qaeda leader Ayman al-Zawahiri by the United

States in a "precision" drone strike in the centre of Kabul.

In a statement on Tuesday, the group called the strike a "clear violation" of international principles and the Doha Agreement, the 2020 pact signed by the Taliban and the US that facilitated the withdrawal of international forces from Afghanistan.

The strike was carried out on a residential house in the Sherpur area of Kabul, a diplomatic enclave where many Taliban leaders live now, Taliban chief spokesperson Zabihullah Mujahid said in the statement.

- THE HINDUSTAN TIMES

'Glimmer of hope' as Ukraine grain ship leaves Odesa Port

UKRAINE: The first ship to carry Ukrainian grain through the Black Sea since Russia invaded Ukraine five months ago left the Port of Odesa for Lebanon on Monday under a safe passage deal described as a glimmer of hope in a worsening global food crisis.

The sailing was made possible after Turkey and the United Nations bro-

kered a grain and fertiliser export agreement between Russia and Ukraine last month - a rare diplomatic breakthrough in a conflict that has become a drawn-out war of attrition.

The Sierra Leone-flagged ship Razoni will head to the port of Tripoli, Lebanon, after transiting Turkey's Bosphorus Strait linking the Black

Sea, which is dominated by Russia's navy, to the Mediterranean. It is carrying 26,527 tonnes of corn.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, in an evening video address, described the shipment as "the first positive signal that there is a chance to stop the development of a world food crisis."

Ukraine, known as Europe's breadbasket, hopes to export 20 million tonnes of grain in silos and 40 million tonnes from the harvest now under way, initially from Odesa and nearby Pivdennyi and Chornomorsk, to help clear the silos for the new crop.

- JAPAN TODAY



The grain-laden cargo ship Razoni leaving the Port of Odesa, Ukraine on Monday.

World is one step from 'nuclear annihilation' - UN Chief

UN: United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres warned on Monday that "humanity is just one misunderstanding, one miscalculation away from nuclear annihilation," citing the war in Ukraine, nuclear threats in Asia and the Middle East and many other factors.

Guterres gave the dire warning at the opening of the long-delayed high-level meeting to review the landmark 50-year-old treaty aimed at preventing the spread of nuclear weapons and eventually achieving a nuclear-free world.

The danger of increasing nuclear threats and a nuclear catastrophe was also raised by the United States, Japan, Germany, the UN nuclear chief and many other opening speakers at the meeting to review progress and agree to future steps to implement the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, known as the NPT.

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said North Korea is preparing to conduct its sev-



UN Secretary-General António Guterres speaks during the 2022 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons at the UN on Monday.

ent nuclear test, Iran "has either been unwilling or unable" to accept a deal to return to the 2015 nuclear agreement aimed at reining in its nuclear

program, and Russia is "engaged in reckless, dangerous nuclear saber-rattling" in Ukraine.

- THE HINDUSTAN TIMES

World forest cover decreased by over 60% in 6 decades - Study



Amazon Rainforest deforestation

JAPAN: The global forest area per capita has decreased by over 60 per cent over the past 60 years, a loss that threatens the future of biodiversity and impacts the lives of 1.6 billion people worldwide, according to a study.

The research, published in the journal *Environmental Research Letters*, found that the global forest area has declined by 81.7 million hectares from 1960 to 2019, with gross forest loss outweighing gross forest gain.

The researchers from the Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute

(FFPRI) in Japan used global land use dataset to examine how global forests have changed over space and time.

They found that decline in global forests combined with the increase in global population over the 60-year period has resulted in a decrease of the global forest area per capita by over 60 per cent, from 1.4 hectares in 1960 to 0.5 hectares in 2019.

"The continuous loss and degradation of forests affect the integrity of forest ecosystems, reducing their ability to generate and provide essential services and sus-

tain biodiversity," the researchers said.

"It also impacts the lives of at least 1.6 billion people worldwide, predominantly in developing countries, who depend on forests for various purposes," they said.

The results also showed that the change in the spatiotemporal pattern of global forests supports the forest transition theory, with forest losses occurring primarily in the lower-income countries in the tropics and forest gains in the higher-income countries in the extratropics.

- NDTV

Conjoined twins separated with help of virtual reality

BRAZIL: Conjoined twins born in Brazil with a fused head and brain have been separated in what doctors described Monday as the most complex surgery of its kind, which they prepared for using virtual reality.

Arthur and Bernardo Lima were born in 2018 in the state of Roraima in northern Brazil as craniopagus twins, an extremely rare condition in which the siblings are fused at the cranium.

Joined at the top of the head for nearly four years - most of that spent in a Rio de Janeiro hospital outfit with a custom bed - the brothers are now able to look each other in the face for the first time, after a series of nine operations culminating in a marathon 27-hour surgery to separate them.

London-based medical charity Gemini Untwined, which helped carry out the procedure, described it as

the "most challenging and complex separation to date," given that the boys shared several vital veins.

Members of the medical team, which included nearly 100 staff, prepared for the delicate final stages of the surgery on June 7 and 9 with the help of virtual reality, said Gemini Untwined.

Using brain scans to create a digital map of the boys' shared cranium, surgeons practiced for the procedure in a trans-Atlantic virtual-reality trial surgery. British neurosurgeon Noor ul Owase Jeelani, the lead surgeon for Gemini Untwined, called the virtual reality prep session "space-age stuff."

- ARAB NEWS



Formerly conjoined twins, Bernardo and Arthur Lima, lie in a hospital bed after a successful separation surgery in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Overlapping crises accelerating health inequality - WHO

SWITZERLAND: World Health Organisation (WHO) Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said on Monday that overlapping crises of COVID-19, inflation and cuts to foreign aid by wealthy countries are accelerating health inequality and disrupting health services.

Giving a keynote speech by video to the "health equity for all" of the 24th International AIDS Conference, known as AIDS 2022, Tedros said the growing inequality could

reverse a decade of progress made in the fight against HIV. In almost every country, the gap between rich and poor is getting wider and the global Cost of Living crisis is driving more people into poverty, Tedros said. Global HIV community leaders warned that the world is losing ground against HIV. According to a report of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), about 1.5 million new HIV infections occurred in 2021, over one

million more than the global targets.

The UNAIDS report also showed that the number of people on HIV treatment increased more slowly in 2021 than it has in over a decade.

More than 9,500 in-person and nearly 2,000 virtual participants were registered to attend the fully hybrid AIDS 2022 which takes place from July 29 to Aug. 2 in the Canadian city of Montreal with the theme of "re-engage and follow the science".

- XINHUA



WHO Director General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus

RUSSIA: Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Monday there could be no winners in a nuclear war and no such war should ever be started.

Putin made the comment in a letter to participants of a conference on the nuclear non-proliferation treaty (NPT), more than five months into his war on Ukraine.

"We proceed from the fact that there can be no winners in a nuclear war and it should never be unleashed, and we stand for equal and indivisible security for all members of the world community," he said.

International concern about the risk of a nuclear confrontation has heightened since Rus-

PUTIN SAYS NO ONE CAN WIN A NUCLEAR WAR



The danger of nuclear conflict is very high.

sia invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24. In a speech at the time, Putin pointedly referred to Russia's nuclear arsenal and warned outside powers against any attempt to interfere.

"Whoever tries to hinder

us... should know that Russia's response will be immediate. And it will lead you to such consequences that you have never encountered in your history," he said.

- THE HINDUSTAN TIMES

IN BRIEF

More bodies found in flooded Kentucky towns

US: Another round of rainstorms hit flooded Kentucky mountain communities on Monday as more bodies emerged from the sodden landscape with warnings that high winds could bring another threat - falling trees and utility poles.

The death toll rose to 37 while hundreds of people remained unaccounted for five days after the region was swamped by nearly a foot of rain.

- ARAB NEWS

Bodies found in burned vehicle in California wildfire zone

US: Two bodies were found inside a charred vehicle in a driveway in the wildfire zone of a raging California blaze that was among several menacing thousands of homes Monday in the Western US, officials said. Hot and gusty weather and lightning storms threatened to boost the danger that the fires will keep growing.

- ARAB NEWS

Six injured in Washington D.C. shooting

US: Six people were injured, including several in critical condition, in a shooting in northeast Washington D.C. on Monday night. The United States has suffered at least 385 mass shootings so far this year, according to the latest data from the non-profit Gun Violence Archive.

- XINHUA

Over 1.2 mn people remain displaced in Myanmar - UN

UN: More than 1.2 million people are now displaced across Myanmar, including over 866,000 people displaced by the conflict and insecurity since the military takeover in February 2021, said a UN spokesman on Monday. The remaining 346,000 people were displaced from previous conflicts, the majority of whom are in Rakhine State, said Stephane Dujarric, spokesman for UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

- XINHUA

Russia bans 39 Britons from entry

RUSSIA: The Russian Foreign Ministry announced on Monday that 39 British citizens have been barred from entering Russia in response to London's increased sanctions against Russians. The blacklisted are British politicians, journalists and business people, including former Prime Minister David Cameron, because they "promote London's hostile policy aimed at demonising Russia and isolating it internationally," the ministry said.

- XINHUA



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
**AGRICULTURAL &
AGRARIAN INSURANCE BOARD**



**Letter of Invitation (LOI) For Procurement of
ERP System**

Contract No.: AAIB/03/05/01/22/80

The Chairman, Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board now invites Expressions of Interest from eligible and qualified bidders for contract described below.

Contract No.	Contract Name and Location	Estimated Cost (Excluding VAT)	Non-refundable Document Fee	Amount of Bid Security
AAIB/03/05/01/22/80	Comprehensive System Study, Business Process Reengineer (BPR), Design, Develop Commissioning and Maintenance of Enterprise Resources Planning (ERP) System for Management Information System of the Agricultural & Agrarian Insurance Board	SLRS 80 Million	SLRS 3,500	SLRS 750,000

2. Scope of Work

- Comprehensive Study, Design, Develop of Enterprise Resources Planning (ERP)
 - Supply and installation of hardware system of ERP
 - Commissioning and Maintenance of Above Developed ERP
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure on two envelope system of technical proposal and financial proposal.
 - Qualified bidders shall possess legal right for the above procurement. The bidder should produce a copy of the certificate of Registration of a firm issued under Business Names Ordinance (Chap. 149) incorporated by Business Name Statute No. 4 of 1990 and a copy of the particulars of Directors Act No. 17 of 1982 or Act No. 07 of 2007. Bidder shall also submit the original of registration issued under **Public Contracts Act (PCA) No. (03) of 1987** with the bid.
 - To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall meet the following requirements.
 - Shall not have been blacklisted by any Government organization
 - Bidder shall register under Public Contracts Act No. 03 1987.
 - Interested Bidders may obtain further information from Assistant Director (Admin) Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, No. 117, Subhadarama Road, Gangodawila, Nugegoda. and inspect the bidding documents at procurement branch of the Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, No. 117, Subhadarama Road, Gangodawila, Nugegoda. Through Telephone Number 0115-384000 from 0900hrs to 1600hrs on any working days (except Public and Bank Holiday) from 03.08.2022 to 24.08.2022.
 - A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application with the letterhead of the institution to the Assistant Director (Admin) Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, No. 117, Subhadarama Road, Gangodawila, Nugegoda from 03.08.2022 until 24.08.2022 from 0900 hrs to 1300 hrs upon payment of a Non- refundable fee of **Rs. 3,500.00**. The method of payment will be in cash.
 - Separate envelopes of technical proposal and financial proposal must be delivered to the address below on or before 24.08.2022 at 1400Hrs. Late bids will be rejected. Technical proposals will be opened soon after closing of bids in the presence of the bidders or their authorized representatives at conference hall. Representatives who wish to attend should produce an authorized letter from the organization and the letter should be sent to reach Assistant Director (Admin), Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, No. 117, Subhadarama Road, Gangodawila, Nugegoda. The date of financial proposal opening will be informed accordingly RFP.
 - Bids shall be valid until 23.11.2022
 - Pre-bid meeting will be held on 17.08.2022, at 11.00 a.m. at the conference hall, Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, No. 117, Subhadarama Road, Gangodawila, Nugegoda.
 - All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid security of Rs.750,000 **and shall be**
 - Issued by any commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka
 - In the form included in Section 8 of the Bidding Documents
 - In favour of Chairman, Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, valid up to 21.12.2022
 - The Decision taken by the Department Procurement Committee (DPC) of Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board, will be final and the purchaser reserves the right to make any amendments to financial regulations and Treasury circulars issued periodically.
 - For further clarifications please contact;

Address

Assistant Director (Admin),
Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board,
No. 117, Subhadarama Road,
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Contact

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The Chairman
Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board
No. 117, Subhadarama Road,
Gangodawila,
Nugegoda.

03.08.2022

**NOTICE OF
NAME CHANGE**

NOTICE is given in terms of Section 9(2) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007.
Former Name of Company :
McLARENS AUTOMOTIVE (PRIVATE) LIMITED
Company Registration No :
PV 104688
Registered Address of the Company :
No. 284, Vauxhall Street, Colombo 02.
New Name of the Company :
CAMBRIDGE PROPERTIES (PRIVATE) LIMITED
By order of the Board,
McLarens Group Management Limited,
Secretaries

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should only be sent by ordinary post. Replies sent under registered cover will not be accepted.

**NATIONAL HOSPITAL OF SRI LANKA
COLOMBO 10**

Procurement Notice

Purchase of Footwear and Hospital Clothing

Bids are invited for the purchase of footwear and hospital clothing according to requirements of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka.

Item No.	Item	Quantity of Items	Ref No.	Non-refundable Fee for Items 1-3 (Rs.)
01	Surgical Footwear	2100	SF/06/2022	3,000.00
02	Ladies Footwear	1000		
03	Rubber Slippers	1300		

Item No.	Item	Quantity of Items	Ref No.	Non-refundable Fee for Items 1-5 (Rs.)
01	Grey Colour 58" width	7500m	SF/05/2022	5,000.00
02	Green Colour 58" width	10000m		
03	Blue Colour 72" width	10000m		
04	Green Colour 36" width	15000m		
05	White Colour 36" width	15000m		

Eligible institutions and individuals could submit applications for the above supplies and applications containing relevant conditions could be obtained during weekdays from **08.08.2022** up to **29.08.2022** between **9.00 a.m.** and **2.00 p.m.** from the Supplies Division of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka upon payment of the non-refundable fee separately as mentioned above to the Shroff Section of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka for the categories of footwear and hospital cloth.

Bids will be opened at **10.00 a.m.** on **31.08.2022** at the Chief Accountant's Office of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka.

Dr. W.K. Wickramasingha
Chairman,
Regional Procurement Committee
National Hospital of Sri Lanka



Invitation for Bids (IFB)
Provincial Department of Health Services
Northern Province



Procurement for Supply of Raw Foods to Hospitals 2022/2023

The Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee (Major) invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for Supply of Raw Foods for the following Hospitals in Northern Province for the period of Seven Months (01.09.2022 - 31.03.2023).

Details	Base Hospital - Thellipalai	District General Hospital - Kilinochchi	District General Hospital - Vavuniya	District General Hospital - Mannar	District General Hospital - Mullaitivu	
Reference No.	NP/21/05/Diet/BHTEL/2022	NP/21/05/Diet/DGHKO C/2022	NP/21/05/Diet/DGH VAV/2022	NP/21/05/Diet/DG HMAN/2022	NP/21/05/Diet/DGHMUL /2022	
Address for Issuing documents	Office of Regional Director of Health Services. Hospital Road, Jaffna. Contact No. 0212226253	District General Hospital, Kilinochchi. Contact No. 0212284111	District General Hospital, A9 Road, Vavuniya. Contact No. 0242228094	District General Hospital, Mannar. Contact No. 0232251550	District General Hospital, Mullaitivu. Contact No. 0212061423	
Non Refundable Fee	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 3500/-	
Category	Type of Food	Amount of Bid Security (Rs.)				
A	Fresh vegetables	21,000.00	24,000.00	42,000.00	18,000.00	20,000.00
B	Fresh Fruits	57,000.00	9,000.00	31,000.00	11,000.00	37,000.00
C	Meat, Eggs and Fresh Fish	39,000.00	24,000.00	75,000.00	49,000.00	35,000.00
D,F	Dry Foods Packets, Tins and Bottles	87,000.00	86,000.00	139,000.00	62,000.00	84,000.00
E	Bakery Products	5,000.00	12,000.00	11,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00
If quoted for all categories		209,000.00	155,000.00	298,000.00	150,000.00	181,000.00

- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding procedure.
- To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the following requirements;
 - Bidders shall have valid business registration and
 - Business registration for supply of Raw foods and
 - Shall have its registered office or branch in Northern Province
- To qualify for award of the Contract, bidders shall meet the minimum qualifying criteria given in Section 2 - Bidding Data.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the above addresses and inspect the bidding documents at the same addresses from 09.00 Hours to 15.00 Hours on working days.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased from the above addresses (Relevant RDHS Office and Hospitals) by interested bidders on submission of a written application from 04th August 2022 to 16th August 2022 from 09.00 Hours to 15.00 Hours upon payment of non-refundable cash payment as said above.
- Bids should be submitted to the Provincial Department of Health Services, Northern Province, Health Village, Pannai, Jaffna at or before 10.00 Hours on 17th August 2022. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
- A pre-bid meeting will be held on 12th August 2022 at 10.00 Hours at the Conference Hall, Provincial Department of Health Services, Northern Province, Health Village, Pannai, Jaffna.
- All bids shall be accompanied by separate Bid Security of the above said amount.
- All rights are reserved with the Chairman of DPC (Major) to cancel the bidding process at any stage without paying any compensation to any party or to accept the part of the bids in this bidding process.

Dr. A. Ketheeswaran
Chairman - Departmental Procurement Committee (Major)
Northern Provincial Department of Health Services, Northern Province Health Village,
Pannai, Jaffna.

Telephone Nos : 021-222-0811, 021-222-0812, 021-222-0839, Fax : 021-222-0818, 021-221-7905
Email : capdhsnp@gmail.com

Champion diver Dulanjan looking forward to 'crazy experience' at Games



Dulanjan Fernando proudly displaying the Sri Lanka flag during a competition in Melbourne

When champion Sri Lanka diver Dulanjan Fernando takes the plunge in the Sandwell Aquatics Centre in Birmingham on Thursday in the 1m Springboard event of the XXII Commonwealth Games, it will be a dream come true and vindication of his prodigious talent after the injustice meted out to him four years ago.

Although he was initially selected to represent Sri Lanka for 2018 Gold Coast, it is still a mystery as to why he could not make the flight to Brisbane. "I got selected but I couldn't go because of politics. There weren't enough slots apparently," said Dulanjan in an interview a year ago from Melbourne where he moved to pursue higher studies.

Many others in his place would have walked away from the sport, after the mental agony of rejection. Fortunately, the outstanding sporting product of Royal College, took it on the chin and resolved to fight back. "My target is to participate in the Commonwealth Games. I can go to the Olympics but I have time. I



By Allaam Ousman

am still 21. I am planning to train for another five or six years," he said. Adjudged the most outstanding Royal College sportsman for two consecutive years in 2017 and 2018, he captained the school in gymnastics, diving and water polo leading the team to victory when they regained the Hayman Cup against S. Thomas' after five years. He first repre-



sented the country at the 2015 Asian Age Group Championship in Bangladesh while his career peaked the following year. In 2016 he won three silver medals in diving at the Singapore Invitation National Championship competing in the 17-22 age category and also a silver and bronze medal in the South Asian Championship held in Colombo. A bronze medallist as a 14-year-old in his debut at the Nationals, the high point of Dulanjan's career was being among the top eight at the Asian Championship in Tokyo in the 10m event.

It is pleasing to note that he has overcome several obstacles including the covid-19 pandemic in his fight to bring glory to Sri Lanka on the international stage in the 1m and 3m springboard diving events at Birmingham. "It's going to be a crazy experi-

ence for me. Last time it was a sad moment. I had to wait for four more years," said Dulanjan, who has been giving attention to diving while pursuing a degree in Exercise and Sports Science at Deakin University in Melbourne.

He competed in the Australian Age Championship in April 2020 in Adelaide where he won one event and took part in the Victorian Open to qualify for the Australian Nationals. "It's very hard to qualify but an opportunity to participate with some of the world's greatest divers," said Dulanjan whose main goal is the 2024 Olympics.

"I came to the finals in both events. It was a really good competition. I had only one and half years from these facilities," he said.

His preparations for Birming-

ham2022 suffered a blow despite being the first Sri Lankan to qualify for the World Swimming and Diving Championships to be held in Hungary in June but because of visa wrangles for other swimmers, Sri Lanka did not send a team. He also missed a competition in Italy in July.

"I have been planning for the whole season. This is my first international competition after four years. I have been training from December while the diving season is from March to August," said Dulanjan who achieved a personal best of 280 (1m) and 310 (3m) at the 2022 Australian Open.

He was realistic about his expectations in Birmingham. "I want to do my best at the Games. I know they are better than me. I will try to get into the finals and do my personal best," said Dulanjan who has been priming for the Games taking part in the two or three competitions in Melbourne and other states in Australia.

St. Joseph's secure final Super Round spot in Rugby League

CHRIS DHAMBARAGE

St. Joseph's College have secured the fourth and final Super Round spot of the current Inter-Schools Under-20 'A' Division Rugby League Tournament. The lads from Darley Road rose to the big occasion and delivered a superlative performance to beat St. Anthony's College 35-20 and joined the defending champions Royal College, Ispathana College and Wesley College in the race to the league title.

In fact, the Joes performed extremely well in their must-win final game as they ran down seven tries, their best effort undoubtedly this season, to come on par with the table leaders Royal in the final line-up in Group-1. However, St. Joseph's will have to settle with second place in this group as they had earlier lost to Royal 3-17 in their preliminary round fixture at the Royal Complex.

Nevertheless, St. Joseph's will be really pleased with their effort as they took the field for this vital game without four of their regular players including Skipper Teran Karunanayake.

Wesley vs Dharmaraja

Meanwhile, Wesley College reached another landmark in schools rugby as they qualified for the Super Round stage with an emphatic 31-12 victory over Dharmaraja College in their last league match played at the Nittawela Stadium in Kandy.

The Wesleyites managed to secure the second place in Group-2 with their third victory this season and will look to keep the momentum when the Super Round matches start this weekend.

DIVISION ONE SEGMENT 'A' POINTS TABLE

GROUP-1												
Team	P	W	L	D	T	C	P	DG	PF	PA	BP	TOTAL
Royal	5	4	1	0	20	10	4	0	132	44	3	23
St. Joseph's	5	4	1	0	19	6	5	0	122	80	3	23
Trinity	5	4	1	0	18	11	8	0	136	77	2	22
S. Thomas'	5	2	3	0	15	9	8	0	107	103	4	14
St. Anthony's	5	1	4	0	17	10	9	0	129	121	3	8
Kingswood	5	0	5	0	2	1	4	0	24	233	0	0

GROUP-2												
Team	P	W	L	D	T	C	P	DG	PF	PA	BP	TOTAL
Ispathana	5	5	0	0	16	7	4	0	108	61	2	27
Wesley	5	3	1	1	19	11	1	0	124	56	3	21
Vidyarthi	5	3	2	0	8	5	7	0	71	87	1	16
St. Peter's	5	1	3	1	14	4	0	0	78	81	3	11
Science College	5	1	3	1	6	2	7	0	55	94	1	9
Dharmaraja	5	0	4	1	9	2	2	0	59	116	0	3

Ispathana vs Vidyarthi

Ispathana College powered their way to a fifth successive victory this season as they edged out the giant killers Vidyarthi College 25-23 in a thrilling encounter at the Nittawela Stadium. However, Ispathana's unbeaten record this season was in real danger at one stage as they were trailing 13-16 at half time following a tremendous first half performance by the home side. But the more experienced former league champions absorbed the pressure beautifully and held their nerves during a tense last few minutes of the game to snatch a dramatic victory by a mere two points. Even then, for Vidyarthi it was a real heart-break as their hopes of playing in

the Super Round stage was eventually dashed after delivering some excellent rugby in their earlier three games.

Science vs St. Peter's

Science College ended their campaign in a spectacular manner as they brought down the former champions St. Peter's College with a stunning 12-10 victory at the Air Force Grounds in Ratmalana. Both teams were out of contention for the Super Round stage yet, this was a huge achieve-

ment for Science College, who were able to record their maiden victory in the tournament.

S. Thomas' vs Kingswood

S. Thomas' College had the satisfaction of concluding the league tournament with a smashing 36-8 triumph over Kingswood College at the Nittawela Stadium. After going through a tough early part of the season, the Thomians eventually made it two wins from their last two outings and managed to secure fourth place in Group-1.

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MAHAJANA SAMPATHA DRAW NUMBER: 4834
Prizes won in this draw
Rs. 7,499,760.00
The super prize of next draw
Rs. 29,064,421.60

WINNING LETTER: B WINNING NUMBERS: 7 2 3 6 1 4

HANDAHANA DRAW NUMBER: 143
TOTAL PRIZE WON IN THIS DRAW
Rs. 5,232,160.00
THE SUPER PRIZE OF THE NEXT DRAW
Rs. 3,494,485.20

WINNING ZODIAC: SCORPIO WINNING NUMBERS: 14 16 43 55

Dhana Nidhanaya DRAW NUMBER: 864
TOTAL PRIZE WON IN THIS DRAW
Rs. 1,812,660.00
THE SUPER PRIZE OF THE NEXT DRAW
Rs. 119,880,891.20

WINNING LETTER: J WINNING NUMBERS: 22 24 45 73

Govisetha DRAW NUMBER: 3076
TOTAL PRIZE WON IN THIS DRAW
Rs. 3,592,620.00
THE SUPER PRIZE OF THE NEXT DRAW
Rs. 66,592,062.40

WINNING LETTER: M WINNING NUMBERS: 25 37 62 77

Mega POWER DRAW NUMBER: 1182
TOTAL PRIZES WON IN THIS DRAW
Rs. 2,702,940.00
NEXT MEGA SUPER PRIZE
Rs. 263,537,298.00
NEXT POWER SUPER PRIZE
Rs. 10,000,000.00
NEXT GRAND SUPER PRIZE
Rs. 10,000,000.00

WINNING LETTER: Z WINNING NUMBERS: 01 20 41 46 68

St. Aloysius have it easy



St Aloysius skipper Dulmin Dasun receiving champion trophy from chief Guests old boy of Vidyaloka Deshamanya Nandadasa Rajapaksa-Emeritus Chairman D. Samson & Sons Ltd and it's Emeritus Chairman Dr Kulatunga Rajapaksa (old boy of St Aloysius). The two principals Prasanna Senearatne (Vidyaloka) and Anura Gamage (St Aloysius) also in the picture.

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

St Aloysius College defeated Vidyaloka College by 116 runs (parabola method) in their annual limited over big match "Glory of Galle" played at Galle International cricket stadium on Sunday.

St Aloysius coached by Malaka de Silva scored 200 for 9 wickets in 49 overs while Dinesh Nimsara top scored 40 and Induwara Udena 32 making useful knocks to build up the total. Nimesh Aravinda was the most successful bowler of Vidyaloka capturing 3 for 24.

Vidyaloka innings started at 2.45pm due to delay start if the game and Vidyalokians were 84 for 4 wickets when bad light stopped the game and match commissioner Sisira Weerasinghe and two onfield umpires Tamara Abeyratne and Dewsiri Bodhiyabadage decided to use parabola

method to decide winner of the game. At the 28 overs target was 146 runs and Vidyaloka managed to get 84 runs and St Aloysius retained the champions trophy from chief Guests D.S.I Group Chairman Nandadasa Rajapaksa and Group Chairman Dr Kulatunga Rajapaksa. DSI Group was the principal sponsor of this big match.

Chief scores
St Aloysius 200 for 9 wickets in 49 overs Vidura Lakshan 24, Kalana Pathum 24, Charya Yasara 26, Bashana de Silva 15, Dinesh Nimsara 40, Induwara Udena 32, Hasitha Suranga 14, Nimesh Aravinda 3/24

Vidyaloka 84 for 4 wickets in 28 overs Prageeth Bimsara 18, Umesh Kavinda 16, Lidula Nuwanga 27*, Dulmina Dasun 2/25



Action from the match between St. Joseph's and St. Anthony's (Pic courtesy ThePapare.com)

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RESULT - ROUND 1 - HEAT 1				
1	SRI	Yupun ABHEYKON	10.08	
2	TTO	Kion BENJAMIN	10.34	
3	NIG	Godson Oke OGHENIRUNME	10.36	
4	IND	Me Kush COMPTON	10.82	
5	SAM	William Angliss HUNT	10.73	
6	SEY	Denzel ADEM	10.79	
	SWZ	Ayana MALAZI		

MEDAL TALLY AFTER DAY FOUR

Pos Team	G	S	B	Total
1 Australia	31	20	20	71
2 England	21	22	11	54
3 New Zealand	13	7	4	24
4 Canada	6	11	16	33
5 South Africa	5	3	4	12
6 India	3	3	3	9
7 Scotland	2	8	13	23
8 Malaysia	2	2	2	6
9 Nigeria	2	0	2	4
10 Wales	1	2	7	10
11 Singapore	1	2	0	3
12 Cyprus	1	1	2	4
13 Trinidad & Tobago	1	1	1	3
14 Bermuda	1	0	0	1
15 Uganda	1	0	0	1
16 Northern Ireland	0	2	3	5
17 Fiji	0	2	0	2
18 Kenya	0	1	1	2
19 Mauritius	0	1	0	1
20 Guernsey	0	1	0	1
21 Papua New Guinea	0	1	0	1
22 Samoa	0	1	0	1
23 Tanzania	0	1	0	1
24 Malta	0	0	1	1
25 Namibia	0	0	1	1
26 SRI LANKA	0	0	1	1

Abeykoon into 100m semifinals, boxers Prasanna, Cooray win



By **Allaam Ousman**

Yupun Abeykoon lived up to his billing as South Asia's fastest man by winning his heat to qualify for the semifinals of the men's 100 metres while two boxers Rukmal Prasanna and Sajeewani Cooray performed to their potential to win their round of 16 contests in Birmingham yesterday morning.



Games Village on Monday, according to the Chef-de-Mission Maj. Gen. Dampath Fernando (rt'd).
Gayanthika Abeyratne running in the women's 800m failed to qualify for the final finishing fifth out of six runners in heat two despite achieving a personal best of two minutes 01.20 seconds.
Abeykoon was the cynosure of all eyes at Alexander Stadium yesterday when he won heat six clocking 10.06 seconds running in lane five ahead of Trinidad & Tobago's Kion Benjamin (10.34) and Nigeria's Godson Oke (10.36). This is the first time a Sri Lankan will be featuring in the 100m semifinals at the Commonwealth

Games since Shehan Abeepitiya qualified for the 100 and 200 semifinals in 2010 Delhi. Abeykoon who became the first South Asian to clock under 10 seconds, achieved his initial goal of qualifying for the semifinals.
There were a total of ten heats with the first two in each heat (Q) and the next seven fastest (q) advancing to the semifinals.
Army southpaw Rukmal Prasanna fought steadily against a rugged 29-year-old opponent from Kenya Hassan maintaining a good pace, unleashing solid combinations using his powerful left cross to good effect to earn a split decision and advance to the quarter-finals in the bantamweight

class. The 23-year-old former Sri Lanka youth international gradually stepped



Yupun Abeykoon (lane 5) winning his heat in the men's 100m at Alexander Stadium yesterday (Picture by Prince Gunasekera)

up the tempo displaying his ability to fight on the inside but more significantly controlled the contest by leading the fight by displaying sound ringcraft. Prasanna was a clear winner with one judge scoring 30-27 in his favour.

Air Force's Sajeewani Cooray prevailed over a

game opponent from Pakistan Mehreen to advance to the quarter-finals in the women's featherweight category. She hardly needed to step up a gear to win by a unanimous decision virtually outclassing her rival with the majority of the judges scoring 30-25 in her favour.

Results MEN 100m

Heat 1: 1. Favour Oghene Tejiri (Nigeria) 10.12 Q, 2. Nethaneel Mitchell-Blake (England) 10.14 Q, 3. Nadale Buntin (St Kitts and Nevis) 10.37 q
Heat 2: 1. Akani Simbine (South Africa) 10.10 Q, 2. Jake Doran (Australia) 10.39 Q
Heat 3: 1. Ojie Edooburun (England) 10.27 Q, 2. Rikkoi Brathwaite (British Virgin Islands) 10.28 Q
Heat 4: 1. Raymond Ekevo (Nigeria) 10.14 Q, 2. Kemar Bailey-Cole (Jamaica) 10.15 Q
Heat 5: 1. Ferdinand Omanyala (Kenya) 10.07 Q, 2. Emmanuel Eseme (Cameroon) 10.08 Q, 3. Gilbert Hainuca (Namibia) 10.31 q
Heat 6: 1. Yupun Abeykoon (Sri Lanka) 10.06 Q, 2. Kion Benjamin (Trinidad & Tobago) 10.34 Q, 3. Godson Oke (Nigeria) 10.36 q
Heat 7: 1. Benjamin Azamati (Ghana) 10.19 Q, 2. Jeremiah Azu (Wales) 10.35 Q
Heat 8: 1. Conroy Jones (Jamaica) 10.28 Q, 2. Adam Thomas (Scotland) 10.30 Q, 3. Eric Harrison Jr (Trinidad & Tobago) 10.37 q
Heat 9: 1. Rohan Browning (Aus-

tralia) 10.10 Q, 2. Samuel Bitonyake Imeta (Kenya) 10.12 Q, 3. Cejhae Green (Antigua & Barbuda) 10.16 q
Heat 10: 1. Jerod Elcock (Trinidad & Tobago) 10.26 Q, 2. Emanuel Archibald (Guyana) 10.28 Q, 3. Stephan Charles (St Lucia) 10.29 q, 4. Sean Safo-Antwi (Ghana) 10.33 q
BOXING: MEN
Over 51kg-54kg (Bantamweight) Round of 16: Rukmal Prasanna beat Shaffi Bakari Hassan (Kenya) WP 3:2
WOMEN Over 54kg-57kg (Featherweight) Round of 16: Sajeewani Cooray Muthanthri beat Mehreen (Pakistan) WP 5:0

Major clubs limited over cricket final

Sadeera guides Tamil Union to clinch title

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

Sadeera Samarawickrama scored an unbeaten 58 in 70 balls with 4 boundaries as Tamil Union recorded seven wickets win (D/L method) over Army SC to become the champions at the Major clubs limited over cricket final played at the SSC grounds yesterday. The Tournament was successfully conducted by SLC while Tournament Secretary Samantha Dodanwela and SLC head of National cricket Chintaka Edirimanne gave away the main awards.

Army SC led by all rounder Thisara Perera choose to bat first but their top order struggled at 84 for 6 wickets in 21.4 overs while medium paceman Santhush Gunathilleka made an early breakthrough to wreak the top order with taking three quick wickets in his five overs spell giving away only 14 runs. However experienced Asela Gunaratne 59 in 88 balls with 4 fours and Mahesh Kumara 57 in 78 balls with 3 fours and a six added 74 runs seventh wicket stand to build up the innings which finally reached 198 all out with one ball to spare. Santhush Gunathilleka and experienced all rounder Isuru Udana were the pick of the Tamil Union bowlers took three wickets each. Tamil Union chasing a target of 199 runs but their innings was interrupted by rain two times and finally according to the D/L method they had to get 153 runs in 37 overs.



Sadeera Samarawickrama celebrating his fifty (pic courtesy SLC)

Chandimal's father in law's funeral today

Former Sri Lankan skipper and present wicket keeper batter Dinesh Chandimal's father in law, retired principal H D P Jayasekara (75years) passed away and his funeral will take place at Thalahaena Cemetery at 5pm today (3). He leaves his

beloved wife retired principal Chandi Jayasekara and two daughters Indeevari and Isika (wife of Chandimal). The late Principal Jayasekara's body remains at No 65/8, Ambalanwaththa Road, Thalanga North, Battaramulla. (D.R)

Lanka gymnast Anna-Marie to compete without coach



Anna-Marie Ondaatje (right) landed in London on Monday with her 16-year-old brother Alistair Erwin Quint Ondaatje Jr, making sure he was booked in a hotel before she proceeded to the Welcome Centre in Birmingham to undergo covid-19 protocols before entering the Games Village.

ALLAAM OUSMAN reporting from Birmingham
Canadian-born Sri Lanka artistic gymnast Anna-Marie Ondaatje was the last foreign-based athlete to arrive for the XXII Commonwealth Games on Monday.

Ironically, she will be without a manager or coach for a major competition for the first time because National Olympic Committee officials dragged their feet when requests were made to get accreditation for her second coach Anastasia Shaykherieva back in May after her main coach Svetlana Joukova was appointed by the international gymnastic federation FIG to judge for the Commonwealth Games.
NOC conveyed to Anna-Marie's father Alistair Ondaatje on July 31 that since they had a very limited number of (technical officials) and nothing could be done at the DRM (Delegate Registration Meeting) which was held on July 23.

However, Dom Elsom, Sports Competition Manager - Gymnastics, at the Games, informed Alistair on July 20 "SRI's Delegation Registration Meeting (DRM) hasn't happened yet. So they have time to make the request." In another email Elsom said: "I know that

the accreditation application deadline has passed, CGAs (Commonwealth Games Associations) are now going through their DRMs. Although it does confirm accreditations etc, a CGA ALO may still request additional accreditations. And often these requests are accepted. I believe this can be fast tracked, but it would require Team SRI to act swiftly to make the request."

The only response from NOC was whether Anna-Marie was going to stay in the Village or not.

"Yes, Miss Anna-Marie Ondaatje will be staying in the Commonwealth Games Athlete village as we had planned originally. She will arrive in the Games village on Monday, July 1st, 2022 afternoon. She has been looking forward to this day to come to be around our team, Sri Lanka!" her father replied.

However, Alistair Ondaatje vented out his frustration at Sri Lanka's sports authorities at the treatment meted out after inviting foreign-based athletes to

represent the country. "Regarding accreditation for a second coach, I'm quite aware of all possibilities after corresponding regarding this matter with the FIG, IOC, and CGA ALO the international bodies about what's possible and what is not possible.

At last, I'm not looking for any special favours because I'm able to pay my bills. Sadly I couldn't imagine the mental torture our local children (Athletes) are faced with going back and forth wasting time instead. Some of the people involved in providing a service in some departments just do not look at it in a positive way. Not only in this matter but also in other areas I have been given a negative look because there is no documentation provided with questions and answers (Q&A). Coincidentally in some areas, there is a lack of transparency!!!

Oh dear, it has been tough for me to attend to just one athlete's work while having access to privileges to coordinate most of these issues. But I feel so sad for those who are unable to face this situation. Facts are stubborn, they will take their own course to correct."

NOC officials were not immediately available for comment.

Veteran boxers go down without a fight

ALLAAM OUSMAN reporting from Birmingham

Sri Lanka's boxers promised to come out fighting for glory at the XXII Commonwealth Games but none of three boxers who crashed out of the boxing competition in the preliminary round hardly threw a punch in anger.

Layton Cup Best Boxer Sanjeewa Bandara Rajakaruna who was the first to enter the ring in the men's over 60kg-63.5 kg (Light welter) round of 32 clash, was virtually outclassed by young England star Joseph Tyers who stopped his next opponent from Papua New Guinea. It was like a biblical David vs Goliath encounter with the England boxer towering over his shorter and stockily built rival, using his reach advantage to craftily keep Rajakaruna at bay and peppering him with left jabs at will.

Much was expected from 2018 Gold Coast bronze medallist Ishan Bandara in the men's over 48kg-51kg (flyweight) round of 16 contest at NEC Boxing Hall on Monday against another 22-year-old Englishman Kieran MacDonald. However, the veteran Sri Lankan champion from Army virtually froze against the southpaw blinded by his speed,



Sri Lanka's Ishan Bandara (blue) lands a left hook against England's Kieran MacDonald in the flyweight round of 16 contest. Pictures by Prince Gunasekera

accuracy, and deft footwork. He constantly kept looking to his corner for advice as if he was fighting a southpaw for the first time in his career. MacDonald who featured in the World Boxing Championship was in control of the contest from the opening bell. Bandara look ungainly on occasions and hardly threw his powerful right hand while missing with his left hooks.

Another veteran campaigner Vimukthi Kumara looked more menacing than the youngster from Guyana Keevin Allicock in the over 54-57kg (featherweight) round of 16 contest. The Guyanese displayed better ringcraft and ring generalship to outbox his tougher opponent with speed and finesse to dominate the bout. Vimukthi Kumara came out swinging after some time in des-



peration but failed miserably in his attempt to make an impact looking leaden footed as Allicock ran circles around him to win with ease. Olympic Women's 200m Backstroke champion Kaylee McKeown added the Commonwealth title for Australia with a Games record winning time of 2:05.60 to take gold ahead of Canada's Kylie Masse and Katie Shanahan of Scotland. Sri Lanka's Ganga Seneviratne did not feature in the final despite being on the reserve list.
Emma McKeon celebrated her fourth gold medal of Birmingham 2022 with the women's 50m But-



Guyana's Keevin Allicock evades a blow from Sri Lanka's Vimukthi Kumara in the featherweight round of 16 contest.

terly title as the medals kept coming in the pool for Australia, who claimed five titles on Monday night.
The 28-year-old, who had already won the Mixed 4x100m Freestyle Relay, women's 4x100m Freestyle Relay and women's 50m Freestyle - with silver in Saturday's women's 100m Butterfly - came home in 25.90 seconds to finish ahead of silver medallist Erin Gallagher of South Africa as compatriot Holly Barratt took bronze. Canadian teenager Summer McIntosh celebrated her second gold of the Games - and fourth in total - with victory

in the women's 200m Individual Medley.

The 15-year-old came home in 2:08.70 ahead of Australia's McKeown and bronze medallist Abbie Wood of England.

Results BOXING: MEN
Over 48kg-51kg (Flyweight) Round of 16: Kieran MacDonald (England) beat M Vidanilage Ishan Ranjewa Seneviratne Bandara WP 5:0
Over 54-57kg (Featherweight) Round of 16: Keevin Allicock (Guyana) beat Jeevantha Vimukthi Kumara Nissanka WP 5:0

SQUASH
Women's Singles Plate quarter-final: Sunayna Sara Kuruvilla (India) beat Chanthima Sinaly 3-0 (11-3 11-2 11-2)
JUDO
Women's 48kg round of 16: Ashley-Anee Barnikel (Wales) beat Chamila Dilani Marappalle 10-0 Ippon after 0.31 seconds

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'SL needs to think beyond Wikipedia, WB concepts of social safety nets'



INDUNIL HEWAGE

Sri Lanka needs to think beyond the Wikipedia and World Bank concepts of social safety nets as all past norms must be critically reviewed and revamped to meet these appalling new circumstances, Former Central Banker and economist Dr. Anila Dias Bandaranaike said.

The World Bank also states that social safety net programs protect families from the impact of economic shocks, natural disasters and other crises.

"Sri Lanka has had such social

safety nets funded by several donors including the World Food Program, UNICEF and many others for several years. Nevertheless, Sri Lanka has never put in place a system that we could manage on our own; instead we always depend on others to support us. Today Sri Lanka is at its most destitute economic level in post-independence history," Dr. Bandaranaike told a webinar hosted by the Central Bank.

She noted that the government has no money, neither rupees nor dollars. "Most people are without

livelihood and means of income while skyrocketing inflation is leading to unbearable costs of living. Most likely we will have to face further economic deterioration before things can get better."

She said social safety net programs have failed to protect from these economic shocks or have not been able to achieve the objectives of the programme rolled out. Instead the economy is burdened with high public expenditure with little or no return in terms of outcome. Dr.

Bandaranaike stressed the need not to neglect the most vulnerable segment of the society and emphasised the need to seek donor assistance from friendly organizations such as the World Bank and the World Food Program.

"Nevertheless we need to set an exit mechanism to ensure that this is transitional and over time these people are given a fishing rod to catch their own fish," Dr. Bandaranaike added. She stressed that donor agencies too would be happy with that kind of approach.

Bourse gains 1.8% amid crossing Rs. 2 bn turnover

Colombo bourse continued its upward trend yesterday amidst healthy turnover due to impressive quarterly earnings released by listed companies. Thus, All-Share Price Index increased by 138.9 points (+1.8%) to close at Rs. 7,907.5 for the day whilst S & P SL20 Index gained by 56.7 points (+2.3%) to close at 2,501.8. Lanka IOC, Expolanka Holdings, Hayleys, Aitken Spence and Hattori National Bank remained as the top positive contributors to the ASPI during the day.

Further, broader market's total turnover stood at Rs. 2,383.4 mn against the 12-month average daily turnover of Rs. 4,486.9 mn, whilst the volume traded for the day was 93,461.4k against the 12-month average daily volume of 218,675.9k. Energy, Capital Goods and Transportation mostly contributed to yesterday's turnover.

The top turnover generators for yesterday were Lanka IOC Rs. 583.0 mn (+11.7%), Melstacorp Rs.209.6 mn (+1.7%), Expolanka Holdings Rs.185.2 mn (+4.0%), ACL Cables Rs.158.6 mn (+12.0%) and Browns Investments Rs. 92.8 mn (+1.4%).

Foreigners recorded a net outflow of Rs. 16.1 mn yesterday. Foreign purchases stood at Rs. 222.9 mn whilst total foreign sales amounted to Rs.239.0 mn. **▶ PAGE 12**

Economic crisis: 'Light at end of tunnel far from visible'

Sri Lanka is at a crossroads, and the light at the end of the tunnel is far from visible because the economic crisis the country is facing at present is something vastly different from what Sri Lanka has faced in the past.

This was opined by President of CA Sri Lanka Sanjaya Bandara at the launch of their 43rd National Conference from October 12 to 14, at the Monarch Imperial, Colombo on the inspiring theme 'Transform'.

"Many of us in Sri Lanka have faced our fair share of crises ranging from a war to a tsunami to the Easter Sunday Attack. But the ongoing economic crisis is something unique to us all, as it has affected everyone, rich and poor, as well as big and small," he said. He also emphasised that the country



CA Sri Lanka President Sanjaya Bandara launching the website of the 43rd National Conference in the presence of Heshana Kuruppu, Anoji de Silva, Anura Perera, Priyoshini Fernando, and Dulani Fernando

cannot come out of this crisis without embracing true transformation, some of which may be unpopular changes among the masses, but without change, Sri Lanka will continue to

remain stagnant as a nation. He said Chartered Accountants are no longer restricted to traditional number crunching roles. Instead, today, they are identified as co-pilots of a

business because they bring a multitude of critical skills to the table ranging from technical to leadership as well as strategic thinking. "Therefore, this time, instead of only being a co-pilot for our company, we need to take one step further and help fly Sri Lanka out of this crisis," Bandara said.

Chairman of the Technical Committee Anura Perera reiterated that Sri Lanka has plunged into an unprecedented economic and humanitarian crisis, and while the dynamics are very fluid, the fact of the matter is that the end to this crisis appears to be very blurred. "While we engage in dissecting and analyzing the root causes of this crisis, the Technical Committee of the National Conference thought that we should

focus and discuss the way forward in resolving and coming out of this crisis," he said.

According to Anura Perera the magnitude of the crisis compels everyone to 'transform' and not to merely change, and as such everyone must start by taking a critical look at our own perceptions, views, attitudes and comfort zones.

"Although there are a number of critical areas where we can look at the country level transformation, we have selected four broad areas that have near consensus from the policy-makers, private sector think-tanks and society in general. The courage to map out the strategies and convince the stakeholders for transformation is the biggest barrier we face," he added. **▶ PAGE 12**

Leisure sector upbeat over soft liquor license initiative

The Leisure sector hailed the decision by the government to allow soft liquor (wine and beer) to be offered in their institutions in tourism zones sans any complicated and expensive licensing.

President of the Association of Small and Medium Enterprises in Tourism, Sri Lanka (ASMET), M. B. Jayaratna said the decision to grant soft liquor licenses to tourism stakeholders was a step in the right direction. He said a major hassle that the tourism industry especially SMEs faced was to obtain a license to sell liquor to tourists and with this initiative the government would also be able to generate an additional income. He said the credit should be given to President Ranil Wickremesinghe and Tourism Minister Harin Fernando for expediting the process.

Jayarathna said guest houses, restaurants, hotels and home-stay facilities at tourism zones would benefit immensely by this move and in the future be able to indulge in their trade comfortably.

Jayarathna said this facility should also be made available to all parties involved in the hospitality trade irrespective of whether they were registered with SLTDA. He said the tourism industry which was limited to Colombo



and a few main cities had now reached the village. However the problem that SMEs faced was the inability for them to register in statutory bodies such as SLTDA and a few large scale businesses held a monopoly over affairs utilizing some draconian laws.

Jayarathna said therefore bringing in the new Tourism Act was a necessity. He said it was important to produce liquor required for tourism locally and liquor should be produced as a national industry using 100% local inputs which were abundantly available in the country. Jayaratna said by providing liquor to tourists

under license the government can earn more excise revenue and it will also lead to minimizing the illegal sale of liquor in the leisure sector. He said serious consideration should also be given in reducing the price of liquor which has risen to exorbitant heights taking it beyond the reach of the common man.

Meanwhile, Chairman Unawatuna SME Tourist Hotels Rupasena Koswatte said that they have around 1,000 restaurants, mini hotels and homestays offering around 5,000 rooms and we are all very thankful to Minister of Tourism Harin Fernando for initiating the project. "Several tourist ministers tried to implement this on several occasions but they failed."

He said that this move will give a small 'boost' to the aligning tourism industry and that registration process and the stamping fees will cost around Rs. 50,000 but the SME sector is ready to pay this. **▶ PAGE 12**

ECT construction carried out despite current economic crunch

The constructions of the East Container Terminal (ECT) at the Colombo Port are being carried out successfully despite the current economic crunch, said Chairman of Sri Lanka Ports Authority (SLPA) Dr. Prasantha Jayamanna at the 43rd Anniversary of the SLPA at the Sri Sambuddhathva Jayanthi Chaithya premises with the emphasis on religious activities.

"At a time, most of the infrastructure projects are compelled to cease construction work, we have been able to carry out all our project works with no hindrance at all. We have initiated all steps to purchase essential machinery and equipment for the East Container Terminal (ECT)."

"Meanwhile, projects to develop



Chairman SLPA, Dr. Jayamanna

the Ports of Galle and Trincomalee are also underway," he said.

"At a time when the whole country was at a standstill, due to the global Covid-19 pandemic operations of the Port of Colombo did not cease even for seconds in the

last three years when it was impossible to carry out the work in the whole country. It was our strength, the strength of the management, staff, all employees, and the collaborative assistance of other terminals at the Port of Colombo," he said.

The Chairman said that the SLPA was a public institution that had a mission to fulfill a national requirement of nourishing the economy and therefore, all its employees were also part of a national task force.

The Chairman said that the Port of Colombo had made 2021 a record year, emphasizing the fact that nearly 7.25 million containers were handled, the ever largest number of containers handled within a year. "The performance in the first

quarter of 2022 was outstanding as we have achieved more performance than last year," he said.

Secretary to the Ministry of Ports and Shipping, K. D. S. Ruwanchandra said that the efficient performance of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority had greater potential to strengthen the national economy to bring higher benefits to the people of the country. "It is essential that the benefits of the country's natural geographical location are passed onto future generations. I would like to request SLPA's management, staff and employees to increase their commitment even a little higher than last year to further enhance productivity and also request our port trade unions to support this effort," he said.

India's Savitri Jindal is, Asia's Richest Woman

Savitri Jindal of India, who has a fortune of \$11.3 billion thanks to her conglomerate Jindal Group, which is active in fields such as metals and power generation, surpassed Yang in the Bloomberg Billionaires Index on Friday. She lost momentum to Fan Hongwei, a wealthy businessman from China who makes his money from the chemical-fibre company Hengli Petrochemical Co.

Jindal, 72, is the 10th richest woman in India's population of 1.4 billion and the richest woman in the country. She was named chairwoman of the Jindal Group soon after her husband, the business's founder OP Jindal, died in a helicopter accident in 2005. The corporation also works in cement, energy, and infrastructure. It is India's third-largest steel producer. She is currently Asia's and India's richest woman. Savitri Jindal, the only female in the top 10 richest Indians according to Forbes in 2021, has a brief and modest appearance. Jindal, 72, outperformed Yang Haiyan, who had her net worth plummet by nearly 52% as a result of the collapse in China's real estate market. As of right now, Savitri Jindal has sur-



passed Yang Huiyan of China to take the title of richest Asian woman and tenth richest Asian overall. Yang Huiyan's net worth has significantly decreased, and China's real estate crisis is the main cause. Even though she dropped from first place, she kept third place in the Bloomberg Billionaire Index. Yang now has an estimated \$11.3 billion in wealth, but in 2021, he had a roughly \$24 billion fortune.

She lost a staggering \$11 billion in wealth this year as a result of the real estate crisis, and Jindal surpassed her in the billionaire's index rankings. She also lost ground to another Chinese tycoon, Fan Hongwei, who made his fortune through his chemical-fibre company, Hengli Petrochemical Co.

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Swiss National Bank posts record US\$ 100 bn loss

The Swiss National Bank reports a loss of CHF 95.2 billion (US\$100 billion) for the first half of 2022 mainly owing to losses on foreign currency positions.

While the foreign currency positions lost CHF97.4 billion, the gold holdings, which remained unchanged in volume terms, showed a valuation gain of CHF2.4 billion.

On the Swiss franc positions the central bank achieved a small gain of CHF35.1 million.

As usual, the SNB emphasised that its results depend largely on developments in the gold, foreign exchange and capital markets. "Strong fluctuations are therefore to be

expected, and only provisional conclusions are possible as regards the annual result," it said in a statement External link on Friday.

In 2021 as a whole, for example, the SNB posted a profit of over CHF26 billion at the end of the year, with the first and second quarters being positive and the third and fourth quarters negative. In 2020, profit was CHF20 billion.

However, there are also years with significant losses, mainly owing to a weak stock market performance or a very strong franc. In 2015 and 2018, for example, the SNB had to post losses of over CHF23 billion.

BBC



Ronald Perera assumes duties as Chairman to SLIC today

Eminent Lawyer and renowned President's Counsel Ronald Chithranjan Perera has been appointed as the Chairman of Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation, (SLIC) the largest and the strongest insurer, with effect from August 1, 2022.

Prior to this appointment, Ronald C Perera held the position of Chairman of the Bank of Ceylon from January 2015 till November 2019 and has been instrumental in shaping BOC as a major player in the financial sector.

Perera was appointed as a President's



Counsel in 2012, and is an experienced lawyer with a broad practice in the original courts, in the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. He has experience in Civil and Criminal litigation, negotiation and drafting of commercial contracts.

He has specialized in Commercial Law, Banking Law, Industrial Law, Injunctions, Defamation, Election Petitions, Civil Appeals, Revision Applications, Writ Applications, and Fundamental Rights Cases.

Nimesh Herath new Chairman UDA



Nimesh Herath has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Urban Development Authority (UDA) by Minister of Urban Development, Prasanna Ranatunga. Herath has over 15 years of professional working experience in fast-paced environments including Project Management, Marketing, Business Development, Sales and Marketing Management, HR, People Management and Digital Marketing with the last 8 years within the hospitality industry and public sector institutions.

SHARES - COLOMBO STOCK EXCHANGE

Market Statistics on 02.08.2022

Security	Volume	**V.W.A. Previous Close	Open	High	Low	**V.W.A. Yesterday's Close	Change (Rs.)
Main Board							
A.SPEN.HOT.HOLD.	92,365	36.70	37.80	38.50	35.00	37.70	1.00
ABANS	49	132.25	147.75	155.00	144.00	132.25	0.00
ACCESS ENG SL	559,325	9.90	10.40	10.70	10.00	10.10	0.20
ACL	3,899,491	37.40	38.00	42.60	38.00	41.90	4.50
ACL PLASTICS	10,484	301.50	310.00	365.00	310.00	325.25	23.75
ACME	9,467	4.90	5.10	5.10	4.80	5.00	0.10
AGALAWATTE	202,557	38.70	39.10	39.10	36.10	37.10	(1.60)
AGOT PROPERTIES	32,248	29.20	31.90	35.00	30.60	33.00	3.80
AITKEN SPENCE	94,146	95.00	94.70	104.00	94.70	100.25	5.25
ALLIANCE	3,334	50.30	50.30	51.50	50.00	50.20	(0.10)
AMANA BANK	880,926	2.80	2.90	2.90	2.70	2.70	(0.10)
ASIA ASSET	7,858	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.90	0.00
ASIA CAPITAL	23,546	3.90	4.30	4.30	4.00	4.30	0.40
ASIRI	990	32.00	31.60	32.00	31.00	31.20	(0.80)
ASIRI SURG	12,061	14.60	15.00	15.10	14.90	14.90	0.30
AUTODROME	110	80.10	99.90	99.90	99.80	99.90	19.80
BAIRAHA FARMS	32,287	150.25	150.00	155.00	145.50	150.00	(0.25)
BALANGODA	207,188	57.90	59.00	60.50	56.20	57.10	(0.80)
BUKIT DARAH XD	55	290.00	295.50	295.50	295.00	290.00	0.00
C M HOLDINGS	1,197	58.50	59.90	59.90	54.00	54.40	(4.10)
C T HOLDINGS XD	1	152.25	160.00	160.00	160.00	152.25	0.00
CARGILLS XD	73	155.25	160.00	160.00	155.00	155.25	0.00
CARGO BOAT	1,500	42.80	43.20	43.20	43.10	43.10	0.30
CDB XD	102	175.00	175.00	175.00	174.75	174.75	(0.25)
CDB [CDB.X0000] XD	5,100	56.50	56.60	56.60	56.50	56.50	0.00
CENTRAL FINANCE	5,402	61.70	61.60	61.60	61.30	61.60	(0.10)
CENTRAL IND.	20,568	54.80	57.00	57.00	53.60	56.40	1.60
CEYLINCO INS.	7,471	1,952.50	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	1,900.00	(52.50)
CEYLINCO INS. [CINS.X0000]	2	998.00	950.00	950.00	950.00	998.00	0.00
CEYLON GUARDIAN	31	53.90	56.90	56.90	56.30	53.90	0.00
CEYLON INV.	5,207	25.40	25.50	25.80	25.10	25.50	0.10
CEYLON TOBACCO	2,075	584.25	585.00	585.00	565.00	565.50	(18.75)
CHEMANEX	5	54.50	55.00	55.00	55.00	54.50	0.00
CHEVRON	50,107	78.20	79.00	80.00	77.70	77.90	(0.30)
CIC	537,823	41.80	40.10	41.90	40.00	41.30	(0.50)
CIC [CIC.X0000]	240,612	31.70	32.00	32.00	30.80	31.20	(0.50)
CITRUS LEISURE	378,878	5.10	5.40	6.00	4.80	5.60	0.50
COLD STORES	406,443	29.00	29.00	31.20	29.00	31.00	2.00
COLOMBO CITY	1	778.25	819.50	819.50	819.50	778.25	0.00
COLOMBO LAND	2,434	18.10	18.20	18.20	18.00	18.20	0.10
COMMERCIAL BANK	44,111	52.70	53.10	53.10	52.10	52.50	(0.20)
COMMERCIAL BANK [COMB.X0000]	100,789	42.60	43.00	43.50	41.00	41.10	(1.50)
DANKOTUWA PORCEL	157,182	11.00	11.70	11.70	11.50	11.60	0.60
DIALOG	417,631	8.90	9.00	9.10	8.90	9.00	0.10
DIMO	2,644	383.50	375.00	410.00	367.00	370.50	(13.00)
DIPPED PRODUCTS	1,045,773	37.20	37.00	38.60	36.50	37.10	(0.10)
DOCKYARD	21,477	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	0.00
DOLPHIN HOTELS XR	960	27.30	27.10	28.80	27.10	28.80	1.50
DURDANS [CHL.X0000]	425	109.00	109.75	115.00	109.75	111.50	2.50
E B C REASY	9,776	16.00	15.90	16.90	15.00	15.60	(0.40)
EAST WEST	610	6.70	6.50	6.90	6.50	6.60	(0.10)
EASTERN MERCHANT	13,804	5.70	5.80	5.90	5.50	5.80	0.10
EX-PACK	2,827,179	9.90	10.50	14.50	10.50	13.20	3.30
EXPOLANKA	1,074,886	168.00	168.50	178.00	167.50	174.75	6.75
FORT LAND	231,291	11.50	11.30	12.00	11.20	11.30	(0.20)
GALLE FACE CAP	700	19.00	18.80	18.80	18.80	18.80	(0.20)
GRAIN ELEVATORS	1,269	68.40	68.40	69.60	68.10	68.70	0.30
HAYCARB	199,547	66.10	66.30	68.90	66.30	68.20	2.10
HAYLEYS	883,679	78.40	78.00	84.30	78.00	82.20	3.80
HAYLEYS FABRIC	2,210,586	36.90	39.00	39.00	37.00	38.20	1.30
HAYLEYS FIBRE	64,730	69.40	70.00	78.00	70.00	76.20	6.80
HAYLEYS LEISURE	1,929	16.00	16.50	17.90	16.50	16.60	0.10
HDFC	23,815	23.00	23.10	23.10	22.20	22.20	(0.80)
HELA	1,549,289	11.00	11.50	13.20	11.40	13.20	2.20
HEMAS HOLDINGS	15,458	45.10	45.90	46.50	45.00	45.70	0.60
HNB	560,447	82.90	83.10	86.00	83.10	85.80	2.90
HNB ASSURANCE	35,318	32.60	32.70	32.70	32.30	32.30	(0.30)
HNB [HNB.X0000]	1,753	72.90	74.00	74.00	72.90	73.00	0.10
HORANA	44,223	33.00	32.70	32.70	30.10	31.20	(1.80)
HOTEL SIGIRIYA XR	19	73.80	74.00	74.00	73.80	73.80	0.00
HOTELS CORP.	306,284	10.20	11.40	12.00	11.00	11.00	0.80
HUNTERS	1	592.75	684.00	684.00	684.00	592.75	0.00
INDUSTRIAL ASPH.	201,716	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.00
JAT HOLDINGS	433,672	12.40	12.80	13.00	12.60	12.90	0.50
JKH	974,233	119.75	120.00	121.00	119.25	119.50	(0.25)
KANDY HOTELS	10,520	7.40	6.50	7.50	6.50	7.40	0.00
KAPRUKA	64,205	8.60	8.60	9.10	8.60	9.00	0.40
KEGALLE	1,943	180.00	178.00	178.00	170.50	174.50	(5.50)
KELANI CABLES	101,125	182.50	191.25	210.00	191.00	201.25	18.75
KELANI TYRES	60,867	47.10	46.50	53.00	46.50	50.90	3.80
KELANI VALLEY	252,836	101.50	101.00	104.00	99.00	99.20	(2.30)
KINGSBURY	439,236	7.50	7.70	7.60	7.60	8.50	1.00
KOTAGALA	2,352,154	6.20	6.30	6.30	5.80	5.90	(0.30)
L O L C HOLDINGS	25,150	370.50	370.00	389.00	370.00	385.50	15.00
LANKA ALUMINIUM	102,607	12.30	12.70	14.50	12.70	14.10	1.80
LANKA ASHOK	6	576.25	720.00	720.25	720.00	576.25	0.00
LANKA HOSPITALS	60	52.80	52.80	52.80	52.30	52.80	0.00
LANKA IOC	6,044,475	89.30	93.10	101.25	93.00	99.70	10.40
LANKA REALTY	1,261	14.60	14.60	14.80	14.60	14.70	0.10
LANKA TILES	177,728	37.00	38.00	40.20	38.00	38.80	1.80
LANKA WALLTILE	167,728	43.10	43.00	45.00	42.20	44.60	1.50
LANKEM DEV.	1,919,991	10.20	10.10	12.00	9.80	10.00	(0.20)
LAUGFS GAS	7,908	21.70	20.60	23.90	20.60	21.20	(0.50)
LAUGFS GAS [LGL.X0000]	40,621	12.10	12.10	12.10	11.90	12.00	(0.10)
LAXAPANA	74,711	16.00	16.50	17.40	16.50	17.00	1.00
LB FINANCE	10,212	40.30	40.70	41.90	40.70	40.80	0.50
LEE HEDGES	3,000	71.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	(1.00)
LMF	15,445	117.25	119.75	120.00	115.00	117.25	0.00
LVL ENERGY	23,959	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	0.00
MALWATTE	23,361	52.70	53.90	54.00	52.90	53.90	1.20
MALWATTE [MAL.X0000]	1,500	40.00	40.50	40.50	40.40	40.50	0.50
MELSTACORP	5,113,249	40.30	40.90	41.90	40.70	41.00	0.70
MERC. SHIPPING	71	159.25	169.50	169.50	162.00	159.25	0.00
MERCHANT BANK	55,086	3.00	3.10	3.10	3.00	3.00	0.00
MULLERS	32,694	1.00	1.10	1.10	0.90	1.00	0.00
NAMUNUKULA	9,840	532.50	532.50	540.00	445.00	494.75	(37.75)
NAT. DEV. BANK	36,727	33.00	33.00	33.00	32.70	32.90	(0.10)
NATION'S TRUST	23,910	32.00	32.30	32.90	32.00	32.10	0.10
NAVALOKA	20,444	5.30	5.40	5.50	5.20	5.50	0.20
OVERSEAS REALTY	3,056	13.10	13.80	13.80	13.20	13.20	0.10
PAN ASIA	23,499	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.70	8.90	(0.10)
PANASIAN POWER	381,586	3.40	3.50	3.80	3.40	3.70	0.30
PEOPLE'S INS	13,682	19.20	19.60	19.70	19.20	19.50	0.30
PEOPLES LEASING	51,603	6.40	6.30	6.30	6.10	6.10	(0.30)
PGP GLASS	106,794	10.70	10.60	12.00	10.50	11.50	0.80
PRINTCARE PLC	20,644	29.50	30.00	31.50	30.00	31.20	1.70
R I L PROPERTY	406,511	6.50	6.50	6.80	6.20	6.60	0.10
REGNIS	2,205	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
RENUKA AGRI	712,997	4.20	4.40	4.50	4.30	4.40	0.20
RENUKA CITY HOT.	1	300.00	339.75	339.75	339.75	300.00	0.00
RENUKA FOODS	171,834	16.10	16.50	18.50	16.50	17.50	1.40
RENUKA FOODS [COCO.X0000]	41,172	11.10	11.20	12.50	11.20	12.10	1.00
RENUKA HOLDINGS	51,971	10.70	11.40	11.40	11.00	11.10	0.40
RENUKA HOLDINGS [RHL.X0000]	5,230	9.30	9.80	9.80	9.60	9.60	0.30
RESUS ENERGY	33,517	15.30	15.90	15.90	15.00	15.00	(0.30)
RICHARD PIERIS	358,250	19.00	19.00	19.40	18.70	19.20	0.20
ROYAL CERAMIC	933,555	25.50	25.70	27.90	25.70	27.20	1.70
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FINANCE

Dialog Axiata partners Sampath Bank, launch eZ Banking service

Dialog Axiata PLC, announced its partnership with Sampath Bank to introduce the revolutionary eZ Banking service, as an extension of the company's eZ Cash platform, Sri Lanka's largest mobile money network, facilitating a more convenient and accessible banking experience to customers.

Sampath Bank customers can now seamlessly and conveniently deposit and withdraw cash from their bank accounts at these eZ Banking retailers without having to visit an ATM or banking branch.

Additionally, customers will not be restricted to the bank's operating hours when conducting their transactions as most of the eZ Banking retailers are open for transactions beyond the traditional banking hours.

Commenting on this revolutionary initiative, Supun



Sampath Bank Company Secretary Lasantha Senaratne, Nanda Fernando, Managing Director of Sampath Bank, Supun Weerasinghe, Group Chief Executive Officer of Dialog Axiata, Renuka Fernando, Group Chief Digital Services Officer of Dialog Axiata.

Weerasinghe, Group Chief Executive Officer of Dialog Axiata PLC stated, "Dialog is pleased to partner Sampath Bank to launch eZ

Banking that would empower Sampath Bank customers with a platform for easy access to banking, from locations in their neighbour-

hood, especially when there are transportation challenges to visit bank branches and ATMs." We are always looking

for ways of making banking more convenient without sacrificing security, and this is a huge step forward in that direction," said Nanda Fernando, Managing Director of Sampath Bank PLC. "Not everyone in Sri Lanka lives within easy walking distance of a bank or an ATM, and not everyone can be sure of getting there within regular banking hours of a branch. With eZ banking, you get extended banking hours, and the ability to make banking transactions in many more places with cash that's closer to hand - even on holidays. It's a double benefit. Given the transport challenges we all face these days, I believe that this is a very welcome development."

eZ Banking will be initially available at selected retailers in the Western Province and will soon be extended to retailers island-wide.



The Chief Executive Officer of Union Assurance, Jude Gomes and Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Pan Asia Banking Corporation, Nimal Tillekeratne, exchange the partnership.

Bancassurance provider Union Assurance partners Pan Asia Bank

Bancassurance provider, Union Assurance PLC, joined hands with Pan Asia Bank, to expand the scope and reach of Bancassurance in the country.

Pan Asia Bank has consistently introduced groundbreaking customer solutions to Sri Lankan consumers. This strategic alliance will offer an array of best-in-class insurance solutions comprising savings, protection, and investment coupled with comprehensive financial solutions.

This partnership was officially signed by the Chief Executive Officer of Union Assurance, Jude Gomes and the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Pan Asia Banking Corporation, Nimal Tillekeratne, on June 21, at the Bank's head office in Colombo.

Union Assurance Chief Executive Officer Jude Gomes, hailed the partnership as a milestone that will expand the Bancassurance footprint in Sri Lanka. He said it will enable them to

offer a new-age insurance experience to customers of Pan Asia Bank. "We are delighted to partner with Pan Asia Bank. This strategic partnership will pave the way for mutually beneficial and sustainable business growth."

According to Jude Gomes, Bancassurance is a growing field that offers an unmatched customer-centric experience. "I'm confident that Bancassurance, with its emphasis on service excellence, innovation, and digital leadership, will help narrow the protection gap and empower the Sri Lankan dream," he stated.

Pan Asia Bank Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Nimal Tillekeratne said, "We are pleased to partner with Union Assurance and this alliance will facilitate solutions that offer long-term protection and empower the Bank's customers. Ensuring a secure future is important in these uncertain times and as a bank with 27 years of expertise in providing finan-

cial solutions for Sri Lankans." This collaboration offers customers of Pan Asia Bank easy access to a range of innovative insurance solutions while fulfilling their banking needs. Pan Asia Bank, one of the fastest-growing commercial banks in the country, is known for its innovative banking products and services. The Bank continues to report solid key profitability indicators which rank among the highest in the industry. Going from strength to strength, the nation's Truly Sri Lankan Bank, Pan Asia Bank is continuously recognized by many local and global entities for its performance and sustainability.

Adding further, the Chief Bancassurance Officer of Union Assurance, Vindya Cooray, said it was a privilege to be partnering with Pan Asia Bank. She described the alliance as an important step in their Bancassurance strategy to stay ahead in the field and provide value to customers.

'BOC Foreign Circle' launched

Bank of Ceylon launched its International Customer Service Support Unit, 'BOC Foreign Circle' to coincide with their 83rd anniversary on Monday.

Launched by the International Division of the Bank, the unit aims to provide maximum convenience to BOC customers who work and live overseas. In addition, the unit will also help to bolster inward for-

eign remittances, especially at this time of national need.

"In the current climate, Sri Lanka is also in dire need of foreign remittances and ensuring a steady flow in remittances has become a priority task," said Deputy General Manager, International Treasury and Investment R. M. N. Jeewantha.

"Taking into the account the

great service that Sri Lankans who are working and living overseas have performed in remitting funds through the proper channels have delivered to the nation, we took steps to launch the International Customer Service Support Unit."

"The main goal of the unit is to ensure the highest in convenience to our customers, irrespective of their country of domicile."



Deputy General Manager, International Treasury and Investment R. M. N. Jeewantha

ComBank adjudged 'Best Engaging Overall Cards Base' by Daraz



Saman Liyanage Chief Manager Recoveries Central Region of PLC hands over the sponsorship to Pradeep Nilanga Dela, Diyawadana Nilame of Sri Dalada Maligawa while Senaka Munasinghe Branch Manager of PLC Kandy Branch looks on.

People's Leasing sponsors Kandy Esela Perahara

People's Leasing and Finance PLC (People's Leasing), recently presented a sponsorship for the Kandy Esela Perahera, which is one of the grandest and historic religious festivals of Sri Lanka. Known as the "Festival of the Tooth", the Esela Perahera is held to pay homage to the sacred Tooth Relic.

People's Leasing is a trusted Non-Bank Financial Institution in Sri Lanka. It is the flagship subsidiary of the state owned People's Bank, which is one of the largest state owned banks in the country.

People's Leasing commenced business operations in 1996 as a specialised leasing company and the company was listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange in 2011. Today, People's Leasing has grown to become a diversified non-bank financial powerhouse with six subsidiary companies including an overseas venture in Bangladesh.

The Commercial Bank of Ceylon has been adjudged the 'Best Engaging Overall Cards Base' for the third consecutive year at the 'Payment Partner Performance Awards 2022' hosted by Daraz, South Asia's largest ecommerce platform.

The Bank was presented this prestigious award for supporting the Daraz platform by generating the highest number of transactions by both credit and debit card bases and the highest number of unique buyers' engagements during the financial year 2021-22.

Commercial Bank is the only Sri Lankan bank to win this award for three years consecutively.

The Bank said it has conducted 18 card promotions in collaboration with Daraz from January 2021 to date, encouraging large numbers of the Bank's customers to engage with the online shopping plat-

form, thereby generating the highest payment volume for the year of assessment for the latest award. These year-long promotions are designed by the Bank to provide the best benefits to its card customers and to foster loyal relationships with its partner merchants.

Notably, Commercial Bank cards generated the highest sales volumes for Daraz during most of its online promotions in 2021-22, including at 'Daraz 11.11' and 'Daraz 12.12' that were positioned as Sri Lanka's biggest online shopping festivals.

Commercial Bank's Card Centre Chief Manager Nishantha de Silva said; "Platforms like Daraz not only represent the present and the future of eCommerce, they complement Commercial Bank's own efforts to popularise the use of digital and web-based banking to the masses. We are delighted with the steadily increasing



Commercial Bank's Chief Manager Card Centre Nishantha de Silva receives the award from Daraz Managing Director Rakhil Fernando in the presence of Wishan Fernando, Officer Card Centre and Kalinga Divaratne, Senior Manager Card Centre of Commercial Bank, and Dulika Jayamanne, Head of Payments at Daraz.

volumes we are generating for Daraz and look forward to collaborating innovatively with the Daraz platform in the

future as well." The Commercial Bank of Ceylon has been the Internet Payment (IPG) service provider to Daraz from

2018. The two organisations have been working together to offer diversified and unique offers to customers with a view

of offering them attractive value additions. Commercial Bank cardholders can enjoy periodic discounts at Daraz with the offers structured by the Bank, and the convenience of Easy Payment Plans of up to 60 months.

Launched in 2012, the Daraz ecommerce site has an active presence in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, and Nepal. The marketplace has over 2.5 million products in diverse categories such as consumer electronics, household goods, beauty, fashion, sports equipment, and groceries. It was acquired by the Alibaba Group in 2018.

Commercial Bank credit and debit cards offer year-round promotions covering a wide variety of services. Commercial Bank was the first bank to offer loyalty rewards for both credit and debit card holders under its Max Loyalty Rewards Points scheme.

Seylan expands accreditation of Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belts

Seylan accredited the Bank's second batch of Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belts recently. The certification ceremony was attended by Kapila Ariyaratne Director CEO Ramesh Jayasekara Chief Operating Officer, Malik Wickramanayake Deputy General Manager Operations, Ruchith Liyanage Head of Cards and Rammore VanDort Senior Manager Business Process Re-engineering and 19 newly certified Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belts.

Seylan Bank initiated Lean Six Sigma training at the Yellow Belt level in 2019 with the aim of transforming operations into the next level of efficiency. The projects focus on several key aspects such as improving customer experience by reducing product delivery time, optimizing the usage of consumables, improving service quality by reducing rework/mistakes and saving staff time and creating capacity for sustainable business growth.

The training and certification are carried out by Seylan Bank's own



Seylan Bank's second batch of Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belts team

experienced and certified Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt and Lean Six Sigma Black Belt trainers. The certification undergoes a well-defined approval process where approvals from different levels are required for the projects to be certified. With the

success of the Yellow Belt training, Seylan also commenced Green Belt training in 2021, maintaining its bid to empower internal stakeholders while providing simplified solutions to customers. Seylan Bank Deputy General manager Operations Malik Wickrama-

nayaka stated, "The key objective of the programme is to create a culture of continuous improvement across the Bank. Having Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt and Green Belt trained and certified staff is a true asset to the organization. Acting as ground level change

agents, they will continue to implement similar Operational Excellence projects within the Bank and share their knowledge and experience with others. This advantage will reflect in two ways. On one hand, the Bank can better optimize our products and services so that our customers benefit with solutions and support further."

Employees who receive the certification are empowered with the knowledge and skills of the effective problem-solving methodology that is focused on eliminating waste and improving quality of business processes. This knowledge is then transcended to the customers with efficient processes, further improving customer experience. The new way of thinking that is instigated through Lean Six Sigma creates sustainability for all stakeholders including customers, employees, shareholders and the environment, leading to a holistic understanding of the best ways to improve stakeholder experience.

HNB FINANCE hosts 12th AGM

Sri Lanka's leading integrated financial services provider HNB FINANCE PLC, hosted its 12th Annual General Meeting (AGM) through a hybrid setup on July 26, at the HNB FINANCE Auditorium, located in Nawala.

The event was live-streamed to all shareholders who were connected virtually, marking the third AGM to take place having converted to a Public Limited Company.

This year, a limited number of

shareholders including the Board of Directors, Key Management Personnel, Auditors, Legal Advisers and Company Secretaries were physically present at the location, while others connected to the event virtually.

Although healthcare authorities have relaxed most of the safety measures implemented over the last two years, the company took on the responsibility to ensure that all extensive safety measures were adhered to, to

accommodate those who were physically present.

All attendees were able to view and participate in the proceedings, including voting on matters highlighted in the agenda. Resolutions for the

meeting and voting were conducted via the online platform, and the votes were then collated and projected on screen.

At the Q&A session which followed the main proceedings,

Shareholders who were physically present pitched their questions which were shared with Chairman Dilshan Rodrigo and Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Chaminda Prabhath.

LASO signs MoU with YoungShip Sri Lanka

Lanka Association of Ship Owners (LASO), has signed a key initiative signifying the two organisations' commitment to working towards advancing the future of the industry by creating a younger and collaborative professional atmosphere that allows young maritime professionals to participate in the industry early on in their careers by providing a range of professional hand-on experience and training opportunities.

Recognised as the apex organisation that represents the Sri Lankan ship owners to the world, LASO signed the MoU to support YoungShip Sri Lanka - a non-profit organisation founded with the mission to support young members of the maritime and shipping industry



Anushka Weeraratne Treasurer LASO, Keshani Jayasekara General Secretary LASO, Shanil Perera Vice President LASO, Surindha de Abrew President LASO, Rishantha Mendis Chairman YoungShip, Nirmal Dissanayake Secretary YoungShip, Shehan Perera Exco Member YoungShip, Jehan Rodrigo Immediate Past Chair YoungShip.

to help represent themselves as the premiere youth forum of the LASO organisation in Sri Lanka.

The collaboration between

LASO and YoungShip provides opportunities for knowledge sharing between youth and experienced professionals, event planning and organization, and

engagement in critical projects related to the maritime and shipping industry.

The partnership is expected to ensure that younger leadership

can leverage innovation, creativity, technology and fresh perspectives to inject a brand-new thought pattern to further ongoing established processes to improve industry's current best practices.

Established in 1998, the mission of LASO is to create an avenue for Sri Lankan Ship Owners whilst aiming to institutionalise and professionalise the trade operations.

The youth organization welcomes members (between the age of 20 to 40) from all areas of the industry (from students to established professionals) who share the passion and belief that young people are the most significant constituents to ensuring growth and ongoing success for the industry.

Aqua Dynamics among 50 Best Workplaces in Sri Lanka

Aqua Dynamics, one of the world's most versatile action sports leader in the leisure sector, was recently ranked among 50 Best Workplaces in Sri Lanka for 2022, a list compiled by the global authority and pioneer in evaluating workplace cultures, Great Place to Work Institute.

Aqua Dynamics is no stranger to the list, having been named among 40 Best Workplaces in Sri Lanka last year in addition to making to the Best Workplaces in Asia under Large Category. Its workplace is consecutively assessed and recognized with the annually recurring Great Place to Work certification which speaks volumes about the company's intention in sustaining a high-trust, high-performance culture.

Aqua Dynamics Managing Director Frank Ulmer said, "We are honored yet again to be recognized as one of the best workplaces in the country. This achievement is dedicated to all our employees whose resilience, commitment and loyalty goes beyond what words can describe."

During the unprecedented Covid-19 outbreak, the company continued to tighten its policies and measures in ensuring health and safety of employees and took proactive steps in reinstating their confidence and wellbeing amidst the many uncertainties and prioritized in instilling a

sense of security and comfort, paying full salaries, bonuses and benefits without any cuts.

Aqua Dynamics focuses on actively upskilling and enhancing the knowledge and skills of its employees, and strongly encourages its employees to take on risks and challenges, acknowledging them to make mistakes and grow. It pursues an open-door policy enabling any employee to raise concerns and speak up with active discussions with the Joint Workers Council to address gaps between the workforce and the management, and fosters an inclusive work environment honoring their diverse ideas and suggestions.

The strongest indicator in its annual survey conducted among employees is 'pride', with employees positively willing to put in extra effort to get the job done. 'We strive to foster a stimulating, stress-free environment where every employee can pursue and reach both their professional and personal goals and we always empower them to participate and contribute in all our company-wide efforts,' added Lalindra Fernando, General Manager.

With over 2,200 employees, Aqua Dynamics has a diverse workforce with industry best practices on equity and inclusivity and has a zero-tolerance policy in harassment and discrimination.



Employees of Aqua Dynamics

WSO2 adopts Microsoft's Cloud for open-source innovation

WSO2, a leading open-source integration vendor and Microsoft have announced a strategic partnership to roll out cloud-native solutions to regions around the world via Microsoft Azure, for securely delivering APIs, applications and digital identities. The partnership will also see the integration vendor adopt Microsoft Azure as its preferred cloud platform.

More than 800 customers in over 90 countries, including government agencies and global leaders in financial services, communications, healthcare and technology, rely on WSO2's products and solutions.

The partnership will accelerate the delivery of the Choreo-digital platform as a service (digital PaaS) and Asgardeo identity as a service (iDaaS) to help enterprise customers across multiple markets and industries speed up their cloud adoption and digital transformation initiatives.



Johann Nallathambay Head of Solutions Architecture - IAM, WSO2; Nuwan Dias VP and Deputy CTO - API Management and Integration, WSO2; Diomedes Kastanis Chief Technology Officer, Microsoft Asia Pacific; Chinthaka Dunuwille SMB Territory Channel Lead, Microsoft Sri Lanka and Maldives; Sook Hoon Cheah General Manager, Microsoft SEA New Markets; Sandy Gupta Vice President for Sales, Marketing and Operations, Microsoft Asia Pacific; Sanjiva Weerawarana Founder and CEO, WSO2; Harsha Randeny Country Manager, Microsoft Sri Lanka and the Maldives; Sharya Unamboowe Associate Lead Corporate Development, WSO2; Ashiq Niyas Small and Medium Business Lead, Microsoft SEA New Markets; Geethika Cooray VP & GM - IAM, WSO2; Srinath Perera SVP and Chief Architect, WSO2; Thilanka Abeywardena Chief Marketing and Business Operations Lead, Microsoft SEA New Markets.

Choreo empowers organizations to rapidly deliver new digital experiences by creating and deploying services, integrations, and APIs. The all-inclusive platform takes away the complexity of cloud native infrastructure so that development teams can quickly create,

compose, collaborate on, reuse and deliver API-driven business logic. Asgardeo simplifies customer identity and access management for any developer to integrate into their applications. It combines traditional employee Identity Access Management (IAM) principles with consumer

credential security to create a secure personalized digital experience.

"WSO2 is pleased to enter into this strategic partnership with Microsoft," said Sanjiva Weerawarana, Founder and CEO, WSO2. "With Microsoft's trusted cloud and services, the

experience that WSO2 has cultivated in its own systems will enable development teams to build digital services that are safer and more secure than ever before."

"Developers are the catalyst to innovation that disrupts countless industries and help businesses transform and thrive!" said Diomedes Kastanis, Chief Technology Officer, Microsoft Asia Pacific. "It's about creating the right environment and removing the friction so developers do what they know best: innovate."

WSO2 and Microsoft are committed to go-to-market and co-selling activities, which include customer events, demand generation, sales enablement, and a presence on the Azure Marketplace.

"Our deeper collaboration has never been more important as companies become digital-first workplaces and pioneer new ways of working," said Harsha Randeny, Country Manager, Microsoft Sri Lanka and Maldives.

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

KARACHCHI PRADESHIYA SABHA, KILLINOCHCHI, NORTHERN PROVINCE

STATE MINISTRY OF PROVINCIAL COUNCILS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJECT (LDSP) - LOAN NUMBER: P163305

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received a loan from the World Bank (WB) towards the cost of Local Development Support Project (LDSP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the Contract for the works mentioned in the table below.
- The Chairman, Provincial Project Procurement Committee (PPPC) on behalf of the Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the works mentioned in the table below.

No.	Contract No.	Contract Name	Tentative Estimated Cost (Rs.Mn)	Required Min. CIDA Grade & Specialty	Contract Period (Days)	Bid Security Amount (Rs)	Bid Validity Period up to	Bid Security Validity Period
01	LDSP/NP/KN/KPS/2022/01	Construction of Shopping Complex at Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha Premises (Stage I)	26.90	C5 Building Construction	273	400,000.00	28.12.2022	25.01.2023
02	LDSP/NP/KN/KPS/2022/02	Construction of Shopping Complex at Punnaineeravi Junction	21.69	C6 Building Construction	182	300,000.00	16.11.2022	14.12.2022

- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure.
- To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall have been registered in the specialty mentioned in Schedule for grade mentioned in the table above with the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA).
- Qualification requirements are indicated in Section 5 (Bidding Data and Contract Data) of the Bidding document.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from Chairman, Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha, A9 Road, Killinochchi, (T.P No: 0212285781, Fax No: 021285690) and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from 03rd August 2022 until 30th August 2022 between 09:00 Hrs and 15:00 Hrs on normal working days.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the Chairman, Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha, A9 Road, Killinochchi from 03rd August 2022 until 30th August 2022 between 09:00 Hrs and 15:00 Hrs on normal working days upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Seven Thousand and Five Hundred Rupees (Rs.7,500.00). The method of payment will be by cash.
- Bids shall be delivered in duplicate to the address below: Chairman, Provincial Project Procurement Committee (PPPC), Local Development Support Project, Department of Local Government, Elders Home Complex, Kaithady, Jaffna at or before 14.00 Hrs on 31st August 2022. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
- A pre-bid meeting will be held on 24th August 2022 at Karachchi Pradeshiya Sabha, A9 Road, Killinochchi.

Chairman,
Provincial Project Procurement Committee (PPPC),
Local Development Support Project,
Department of Local Government,
Elders Home Complex,
Kaithady,
08.08.2022

INVITATION FOR BIDS

State Ministry of Provincial Councils & Local Government Affairs
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJECT - PROJECT ID:P 163305

EASTERN PROVINCE, TRINCOMALEE

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received a credit from the World Bank towards the cost of Local Development Support Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payment for supply of goods given in the table below.
- The Chairman, Local Authority Procurement Committee on behalf of the respective Local Authorities invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the supply of goods as described in table below.
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure.
- Qualification requirements are indicated in Section III of the Bidding Documents. Additional details are provided in the Bidding Data Sheet.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the Chairman/Secretary of the Local Authority and inspect the bidding documents at the same place on any working day from 09.00 hours to 16.00 hrs.
- A complete set of bidding documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the Local Authority from 03.08.2022 until 16.08.2022 from 09.00 hours in 14.00 hrs.
- Bids shall be delivered to the Chairman, Local Authority Procurement Committee, Kinnya Pradeshiya Sabha as shown in Table below at or before 15.00 hrs on 17.08.2022. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
- Purchaser will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders for the preparation or delivery of Bids.
- Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security as per the information given in the table below.

Name of the Local Authority	Description of Goods & Work No.	Name of Procurement Entity	Place of Purchase of Bidding Document & T.P. No.	Price of the Bid Document (Rs.)	Required Bid Security		Bid Validity Period up to
					Bid Security Amount (Rs.)	Validity Period	
Pradeshiya Sabha Kinnya	Purchasing & fixing of Play Equipment for Kachchakoditheevu Children Park, Kinnya Pradeshiya Sabha 2022-03-EP-Tri-Kinnya PS	Pradeshiya Sabha Kinnya	Pradeshiya Sabha Kinnya 026-2236207	3,500.00	30,000.00	Till 17.08.2022	09.11.2022

Chairman, Local Authority Procurement Committee
Kinnya Pradeshiya Sabha

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TENDER AND OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF SRI LANKA
 NOTICE UNDER SECTION 12 (1) (a) OF
 THE SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY ACT, NO. 20 OF 2009

INTENTION TO GRANT LICENSE

The Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka ("the Commission") hereby gives notice pursuant to Section 12(1) (a) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 that the Commission proposes to grant license for the purpose of generating electricity to the following persons, in order to enhance the availability and continuity of the supply of electricity to consumers.

Application Ref. No.	Applicant	Plant/ Facility Name	Location	Capacity (MW)	Technology
E/AL/N/21/18	BackBay Solar Pvt Ltd	Vavunathive 6 SBSP II (90) 1MW Solar PV Power Plant	Kommathurei Village, Orumalaicholai Village, Batticaloa	1.00	Solar PV
E/AL/N/21/19	BackBay Solar Pvt Ltd	Vavunathive 7 SBSP II (90) 1MW Solar PV Power Plant	Kommathurei Village, Orumalaicholai Village, Batticaloa	1.00	Solar PV
E/AL/N/22/18	Hiruras Power (Private) Limited	Mannar 1 (2019/002/C-60) 10MW Wind Power Plant	Nanattan, Mannar	10.00	Wind
E/AL/N/22/19	Hiruras Power (Private) Limited	Mannar 2 (2019/002/C-60) 5MW Wind Power Plant	Nanattan, Mannar	5.00	Wind
E/AL/N/22/23	Peak Power Alpha (Pvt) Ltd	Gemunupura Mini Hydro Power Plant	Yatapana, Gampola	1.30	Mini Hydro
E/AL/N/22/24	Powerbase Technology (Pvt) Ltd	Niriella Mini Hydro Power Plant	Niriella, Rathnapura	3.00	Mini Hydro
E/AL/N/22/06	Sobadhanavi Limited	Sobadhanavi 350MW RLNG/ Diesel Operable Combined Cycle Power Plant	Muthurajawela Industrial Zone, Handala, Wattala	350.00	Combined Cycle Gas Turbine-RLNG/ Diesel Operable

Representations (if any) may be made in writing to the Commission with respect to the above proposal, within twenty-eight (28) days of this notice. Please quote the Application Ref. No. when making representations.

Chairman
 Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka
 Level 06, BoC Merchant Tower,
 28, St. Michael's Road,
 Colombo 03.

Telephone: (011) 2392608
 Fax: (011) 2392641
 E-mail: licensing@pucl.gov.lk
 Website: www.pucl.gov.lk

Date: 03.08.2022

Ministry of Industries
Paranthan Chemicals Company Limited
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) SYSTEM

FILE NO. PCCL/LP/2022/022

Chairman, Department Procurement Committee (DPC), Paranthan Chemicals Company Limited (PCCL) invites competent/ Recognized software developers to submit Expressions of Interest to develop an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system to link and integrate all internal departments to achieve higher management efficiency, provide a better service to its customers, improve its supply chain and achieve higher profitability through streamlining of all of its functions.

Interested firms shall prepare and submit an EOI in the standard form, which can be obtained either by downloading from the **website (www.pccl.gov.lk)** or by contacting Supplies Division of the **Paranthan Chemicals Company Limited, L3, No. 446, Pan Asia Building, Galle Road, Ratmalana** (Contact: +94 112437557, +94 763880910) from 9.00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday to Friday till **31st August 2022** respectively.

Duly completed EOI hard copy shall be dispatched either by registered post or hand delivered to the address indicated below, in an envelope clearly titled - **"Expressions of Interest for the ERP System"** to reach at or before **10:00 hours on 01st September 2022**.

Pre-Bid meeting will be held on 16th August 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

Completed EOI document containing required information in duplicate enclosed in two envelopes and marked as **"Original"** and **"Duplicate"** and put the same into a suitable single envelope sealed and marked, **"Expressions of Interest for the ERP System"** on the left-hand of the envelope, should either be forwarded under registered post to the **"Chairman, Department Procurement Committee, Paranthan Chemicals Company Limited, L3, No. 446, Pan Asia Building, Galle Road, Ratmalana"** or to be deposited by hand in the tender box available at the Supplies Section of the Company at the same address to receive not later than **10:00 a.m. on 01st September 2022**. Further information please contact Supplies Officer (+94 70 311 0824), Supply Section (+94 112437557, +94 763880910) and General Manager (+94 770599920), Email: jeewananda09@yahoo.com, pccsupplies@outlook.com. Request for Proposals (RFP) document will be issued to the shortlisted firms accordingly.

Chairman,
Department Procurement Committee,
Paranthan Chemicals Company Limited,
L3, No. 446, Pan Asia Building,
Galle Road, Ratmalana.

TENDER NOTICE

THE GOVERNMENT OF
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES

LANKA MINERAL SANDS LIMITED
SALE OF HEAVY MINERAL SANDS
INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

TENDER REFERENCE NO: LMS/MKT/TDR/22/01

The Chairman of Specific Sales Committee, on behalf of Lanka Mineral Sands Limited, invites international bids online from the Parties interested in buying the following heavy mineral products produced in Sri Lanka by processing beach mineral sands. The sales process has advanced to receive the bids online on customized order quantity and award the sales orders on a spot basis. The local parties who have achieved the eligible criteria for submission of bids and interested to purchase the product and export or add further value to the product could also submit their bids.

THE PRODUCTS ON SALE AND OTHER RELEVANT DETAILS

	PRODUCTS	QUANTITY ON SALE (METRIC TONNE)	BID SECURITY (ONLY IN USD)	PACKAGE TYPE	DELIVERY TERMS	DATE & TIME OF BID SUBMISSION AND CLOSING
1	Ilmenite > 49 < 50% TiO2 Moisture ≤ 0.5% (HS 2614 00 10)	60000	USD 14.25 /MT	Loose Bulk	Ex- Works IRZ Plant Pulmoddai	23/ 08/ 2022 at 10.00 a.m. Colombo, Sri Lanka
2	High Titanium Ilmenite > 57% TiO2 Moisture ≤ 0.5% (HS 2614 00 10)	3500	USD 16.25 /MT			
3	High Titanium Ilmenite > 57% TiO2 Moisture ≤ 3% (HS 2614 00 10)	4000	USD 16.25/MT			
4	Rutile - > 95% TiO2 Moisture ≤ 0.5% (HS 2614 00 20)	800	USD 85.00 /MT	40Kg/ 50kg Per Bag		
5	Zircon - > 65% ZrO2 Moisture ≤ 0.5% (HS 2615 10 00)	350	USD 94.30 /MT			

The complete Bidding Document, consisting of Introduction, Invitation for Bids, Specifications of products, Terms & Conditions and Bidding Forms, is published in the official websites: www.industry.gov.lk and www.lankamineralsands.com and Sri Lanka Missions Overseas as well. The Interested Parties could visit the websites and download the Bidding Document free of charge.

Bid Form downloaded should be used for the submission of the bid. The interested eligible bidder could submit their bid for the purchase of any product upon their requirement subject to products on sale. However, the bidder who wishes to obtain the Bid Form from Seller as an alternative should send an official request on email to ilmenite@slt.lk or minmarketing@slt.lk addressing Marketing Manager, Lanka Mineral Sands Ltd, No. 341/21, Sarana Mawatha, Rajagiriya, Sri Lanka retaining a length to ensure the receipt of Bid Form on time.

The bid should accompany the bid security in the amount as specified against the products on sale above and the copies of documents specified in sub-clause 4.6.7 of the clause 4.6, Preparation of Bids under Section 4, Terms & Conditions of the Sales Contract. The bid security should be in cash by fund transfer / telegraphic transfer. A bid security issued by licensed commercial bank in Sri Lanka against the counter guarantee of buyer's Bank which is a reputed one acceptable to the seller. The bid security will only be accepted upon credit of the payment to the bank account of the seller mentioned in sub-clause 4.6.6 of the clause 4.6 of the bidding document or confirmed the bid security by the seller's bank A single PDF of prepared consisting with the bid form duly filled in & signed by the signatory and foregoing supported documents that is protected by the bidder himself posting time to be opened at 10.00 a.m. of Colombo, Sri Lanka on 23/08/2022 or using own password to open should be sent to email : lmslmineral@industry.gov.lk to receive on or before 23/08/2022.

Bidder who sent the bid on PDF protected with their own password, should send their password on same email to receive seller's email lmslmineral@industry.gov.lk within 10.00 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. of Colombo, Sri Lanka on 23/08/2022.

Bids not complying with the above instructions, the late bids and the bids no password within 10.00 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. of Colombo, Sri Lanka on 23/08/2022 will be rejected and not considered for evaluation. Therefore, bidders should ensure to send their bids and password on time.

Bids received will be opened by the Bid Opening Committee in the Auditorium of the Ministry of Industries, P.O. Box 570, No. 73/1, Galle Road Colombo 03, Sri Lanka at 10.15 a.m. of Colombo, Sri Lanka on 23/08/2022. Bidder or his authorized representative who chooses to attend at the opening of bids is permitted by the seller. The seller will acknowledge the receipt of the bid to the bidders no sooner the bids are opened.

For further information and clarification, please contact Marketing Manager of Lanka Mineral Sands Ltd and Marketing Division on Telephone +94112883951-2, +94112883965, +94112883954, Fax +94 11 2882668 and Email: ilmenite@slt.lk / minmarketing@slt.lk

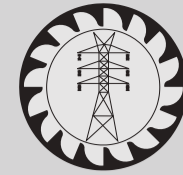
Chairman,
Specific Sales Committee,
Ministry of Industries,
PO Box 570, No.73/1, Galle Road, Colombo - 03, Sri Lanka.

REFURBISHMENT OF AUDITORIUM INCLUDING INSTALLATION OF NEW SOUND SYSTEM AT KATUNAYAKE EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE

CONTRACT NO : BOI/INF/KEPZ/01.05.044

- The Chairman, Department Procurement Committee, on behalf of the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for **Refurbishment of auditorium including installation of new sound system at Katunayake Export Processing Zone.**
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding procedure.
- To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the following requirements :
 Required Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) Registration
 Specialty : **Building Construction or Electrical & Mechanical Services**
 Grade : **C7 or EM4 and above**
- Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award include:
 Bidder should have previous experience as a main Contractor in the field of Building Construction or Electrical & Mechanical Services during last 05 years.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the **Senior Deputy Director (Engineering Services), Engineering Services Department, Board of Investment of Sri Lanka, Katunayake Export Processing Zone, Katunayake (Tele/Fax No 011- 2254493 or 0777864052)** and inspect the Bidding Documents at the same address between 0900 hrs and 1500 hrs during working days.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application on a business letterhead to the address given in Section 3 above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs.3,500/ = + VAT up to 22.08.2022. The method of payment will be by cash.
- Sealed bids shall be delivered in duplicate to the **Chairman Procurement Committee I A, C/o Senior Deputy Director (Engineering Services) Finance Department, Plaza Unit 05, Board of Investment of Sri Lanka, Katunayake Export Processing Zone, Katunayake** at or before 1400hrs on 23.08.2022. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below at 14.00 hrs on 23.08.2022. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Rs. 80,000.00 and validity period of the Bid Security shall be until 21.12.2022.
- Bids shall be valid up to **23.11.2022**.
- Pre Bid Meeting Will be held at 1000hrs on 16.08.2022 at the Office of the Director, Export Processing Zone, Katunayake.
- The address referred to above is:
Chairman Procurement Committee I A,
C/o Senior Deputy Director (Engineering Services)
Finance Department, Plaza Unit 05,
Board of Investment of Sri Lanka,
Katunayake Export Processing Zone,
Katunayake.

CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF INVESTMENT OF SRI LANKA



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CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD

Ceylon Electricity Board intends to attend to new construction, rehabilitation and maintenance work on Medium Voltage Distribution System & Low Voltage Feeders. Therefore, during the month of August 2022, Electricity Supply will be interrupted on selected locations of following C.S.C. / Provinces / Areas on below listed dates.

INTERRUPTION NOTICE - AUGUST 2022

NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE 1

CHILAW AREA

Keeriyankalliya C.S.C.

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Madampe C.S.C.

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KULIYAPITIYA AREA

Hettipola C.S.C.

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Kuliyapitiya C.S.C.

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Pannala C.S.C.

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PUTTALAM AREA

Anamadawa C.S.C.

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Madurankuliyaya C.S.C.

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Norochchole C.S.C.

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WENNAPUWA AREA

Nattandiya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-05, 2022-08-06, 2022-08-08, 2022-08-19.

NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE 2

KURUNEGALA AREA

Gokaralla C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-05, 2022-08-09, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-24, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-29.

Kurunegala C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-30.

Mallawapitiya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-05, 2022-08-09, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-24, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-29.

Pothuha C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-03, 2022-08-05, 2022-08-18.

Rideegama C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-12, 2022-08-24.

MAHAWA AREA

Galgamuwa C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-17, 2022-08-18, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-26.

Mahawa C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-16, 2022-08-30.

Nikaweratiya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-16, 2022-08-17, 2022-08-24, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-26, 2022-08-30.

NARAMMALA AREA

Alawwa C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-03, 2022-08-30.

Giriulla C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-19.

NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE

ANURADHAPURA AREA

Anuradhapura C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-12, 2022-08-15, 2022-08-17, 2022-08-26, 2022-08-30.

Medawachchiya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04.

Mihintale C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-16, 2022-08-18, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-30.

Padaviya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-17, 2022-08-24.

KEKIRAWA AREA

Kekirawa C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-05, 2022-08-12, 2022-08-19, 2022-08-26.

Thambuttegama C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-19, 2022-08-25.

MINNERIYA AREA

Habarana C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-05, 2022-08-16.

Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-03, 2022-08-05, 2022-08-12, 2022-08-19, 2022-08-26.

Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE

KUNDASALE AREA

Dumbara C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-06, 2022-08-10, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-25.

ANURADHAPURA AREA

Anuradhapura C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-12, 2022-08-15, 2022-08-17, 2022-08-26, 2022-08-30.

Medawachchiya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04.

Mihintale C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-16, 2022-08-18, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-25, 2022-08-30.

Padaviya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-17, 2022-08-24.

KEKIRAWA AREA

Kekirawa C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04, 2022-08-05, 2022-08-12, 2022-08-19, 2022-08-26.

Thambuttegama C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-19, 2022-08-25.

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Habarana C.S.C.

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Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Habarana C.S.C.

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Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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MINNERIYA AREA

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Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE

KUNDASALE AREA

Dumbara C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-06, 2022-08-10, 2022-08-23, 2022-08-25.

ANURADHAPURA AREA

Anuradhapura C.S.C.

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Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-04.

Mihintale C.S.C.

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Padaviya C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-17, 2022-08-24.

KEKIRAWA AREA

Kekirawa C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Hingurakgoda C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

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Thambuttegama C.S.C.

Table with 2 columns: Date, Time. Rows for 2022-08-19, 2022-08-25.

MINNERIYA AREA</

<p>Hanwellia C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-12 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-25 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>Padukka C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-12 09:00 - 13:00</p> <p>2022-08-16 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-19 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-23 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>BANDARAGAMA AREA</p> <p>Bandaragama C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-12 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-19 08:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-24 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-25 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-26 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-27 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>Millaniya C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-03 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-04 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-05 08:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-17 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>HOMAGAMA AREA</p> <p>Hokandara C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-08 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-26 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Homagama C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-12 08:30 - 12:30</p> <p>2022-08-18 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-19 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-23 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Pannipitiya C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>HORANA AREA</p> <p>Buliathsinghala C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-17 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Horana C.S.C.</p>	<p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-03 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-06 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-09 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-17 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-23 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>Ingiriya C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-13 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-16 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-22 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-26 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-27 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Moragahahena C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-04 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-15 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-22 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>SRI JAYAWARDHANAPURA AREA</p> <p>Malabe C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-08 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-16 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Thalangama C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-03 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-04 08:30 - 13:00</p> <p>2022-08-07 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-08 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-15 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-16 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-17 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-22 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-23 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>Welivita C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 08:30 - 17:30</p> <p>2022-08-26 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>SOUTHERN PROVINCE 1</p> <p>AKURESSA AREA</p> <p>Akuressa C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-09 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-12 08:30 - 17:00</p>	<p>2022-08-16 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Deniyaya C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-25 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-29 08:30 - 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11:00</p> <p>2022-08-30 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Induruwa C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-10 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-15 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-17 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-18 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-19 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-22 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-25 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-29 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>Seenigoda C.S.C.</p>	<p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-03 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-05 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-09 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-11 09:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-12 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-16 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-22 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-24 08:30 - 11:00</p> <p>BADDEGAMA AREA</p> <p>Baddegama C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-03 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-04 13:00 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-05 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-10 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-15 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-19 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-20 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-23 08:30 - 17:00</p> <p>2022-08-26 13:00 - 17:00</p> <p>Thalgaswala C.S.C.</p> <p>Date Time</p> <p>2022-08-05 08:30 - 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INVITATION FOR BIDS

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

Eastern Province

1. The Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee invites sealed bids for the works mentioned in the table from eligible bidders who possess Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) registration for the Grade mentioned in the table below.
2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding, Single stage single envelope system, however limited to the bidders who have registered within the administrative boundary of the Eastern Province
3. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder should not have been blacklisted and should have registered in the field of Building Construction under Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) in the Grade as mentioned in the table.
4. Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award are indicated in the bidding documents.
5. Bidding documents may be purchased during office hours up to 3.00 pm on 23.08.2022 at the office of the Executive Engineer, Department of Buildings, Batticaloa on submission of receipt for the proof of payment of Non-Refundable fee mentioned below, made at the office of the Chief Engineer, Department of Buildings, Batticaloa.
6. Bidder is entitled to obtain the bidding documents in duplicate. Interested bidders may inspect the bidding documents free of charge, prior to collection, if desired and obtain further information from the Executive Engineer, Department of Buildings, Batticaloa (Telephone Number : 026-2222910)
7. Bid accompanied by a bid security for the amount mentioned below should be reach the Chairman, Departmental Procurement Committee, Provincial Director's Office, Department of Buildings, Inner Harbour Road, Trincomalee at or before 2.30 pm on 24.08.2022. Bids will be opened at Provincial Director's Office, Department of Buildings, Inner Harbour Road, Trincomalee soon after closing in the presence of bidders / representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will be rejected.
8. A Pre bid meeting will be conducted on 15.08.2022 at 10.00 am at the Chief Engineer's Office, Department of Buildings, Batticaloa.
9. Procurement Committee's decision is the final in awarding contract.

TABLE

Name of Work	CIDA Grade	Construction Cost (Rs.)	Contract Period	Non refundable Fee (Rs.)	Bid Validity Period	Bid Security	
						Amount (Rs.)	Validity
Construction of ETU and Clinic Building at District Hospital, Araiampathy in Batticaloa District - Stage I	C6 and C5	11.489 Mn	03 Months (90 days)	5,000.00	77 days (up to 08.11.2022)	115,000.00	105 days (up to 06.12.2022)

Provincial Director
Department of Buildings,
Eastern Province,
Inner Harbour Road,
Trincomalee
Telephone - 026-2222630
Date: 2022.08.01

Eng.K.Chandramohan
Chairman
Departmental Procurement Committee

INVITATION FOR BIDS

MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION

CENTRAL ENGINEERING SERVICES (PVT) LTD.

WAYAMBA UNIVERSITY TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

WAYAMBA

UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA / KULIYAPITIYA PREMISES (BD 678)

HIRING AND FIXING OF SCAFFOLDING SETS

CONTRACT (BID) No.: CESL/CEN/2022/ 248

1. The Chairman, Base Procurement Committee on behalf of the Central Engineering Services (Private) Limited "CECB Office, Digana Village, Rajawella now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for Hiring and Fixing of Scaffolding sets to Wayamba University Township Development Project - Wayamba University of Sri Lanka / Kuliypitiya Premises, as described below and estimated cost for the Work is LKR Forty Seven Million (LKR. 47,000,000.00) approximately excluding contingencies and taxes.
The site premises is located at Wayamba University, Kuliypitiya. Work mainly consists of Hiring and Fixing of Scaffolding Sets.
2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding Procedure.
3. To be eligible for Contract award, the successful Bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the following requirements:
4. Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award include:
 - (a) Shall have not less than 5 years working experience in scaffolding hiring
 - (b) Shall have carried out at least one similar work of same complexity and capacity within last five years,
 - (c) Average annual value performed during the last five years shall be at least Rs. 05 million.
 - (d) The minimum amount of Liquid Assets or Credit Facilities required is Rs. 01 million.
5. Interested Bidders may obtain further information from Procurement Officer, Central Engineering Services (Private) Limited, CECB Office, Digana Village, Rajawella. Tel. No. 081-2374312, Fax - 081-2376204 and can inspect the Bidding Documents on working days at the address given below from August 04, 2022 to August 29, 2022 from 09.00 hrs. to 14.30 hrs.
6. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested Bidders on submission of a written application to Central Engineering Services (Private) Limited, CECB Office, Digana Village, Rajawella



MINISTRY OF WATER SUPPLY

NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY & DRAINAGE BOARD

BID NOTICE

The Chairman, Procurement Committee on behalf of the National Water Supply & Drainage Board now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Works/Supplies as described below.

No.	Name of Contract & Contract No.	Non Refundable Fee (Rs)	Bid Security Requirements	Eligibility Requirements	Estimated Cost (Rs.) Excluding VAT	Place of Issuing of Documents & Contact Person	Closing Date and Time
CIVIL TENDERS							
01	Balance Work of Augmentation of Gonigoda Pump House and New Generator Room Under KNPIWSP. Contract No: KNPIWSP/WORK/PC-04/2022-52	12,500/- + VAT **	Rs. 210,000/-	Registration with CIDA in the field of Building Construction in Grade C5 or C6 & Registration of the contract as per the Act. No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	21 Million	Kandy North Pathadumbara Integrated Water Supply Project, NWSDB, Pahala Kondadeniya, Katugastota. Tele : 0812492390 Fax : 0812492286 Pre bid meeting & site visit will be held on 24 th August 2022 at 10.00 am (Compulsory)	31/08/2022 14.00 hours Document Issuing from 03.08.2022 to 23.08.2022 (09.00 hours-15.00 hours)
02	Construction of Chain Link Fences for Turnkey Village Hallala WTP & Nadugala Stores Yard. Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/C/FENCES HALLALA, NADUGALA/RH/2022-97	4000/- + VAT	Rs. 33,500/-	Registration with CIDA in the field of Building Construction in Grade C7 or C8	3.4 Million	RSC (Southern), 395, Kumaratunga Mawatha, Pamburana, Matara. Tele : 041-2222105 Fax : 041-2221329	17/08/2022 14.00 hours
SUPPLY TENDERS							
03	Supply and Installation of Two Sever and One Core Network Fiber Switch for Data Center at Head Office. Contract No: TNC/DGM/IT/2022/01	12,500/- + VAT **	Rs. 177,000/-	Bidder has a minimum of 5 years of experience in Supply, Installation & Maintenance of two Sever and one core network fiber switch. That the manufacture of the products offered has minimum number of 10 years experience in manufacturing of relevant Products and as per the Document & Registration of the contract as per the Act. No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	23/08/2022 10.00 hours
04	Supply & Delivery of DI Couplings & S/S Repair Clamps for Repair Material Requirement in RSC (W-S) Contract No: RSC(W-S)/P&C/S/DI(05)/DGM/ADB/2022/38	35,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 1,207,500/-	As per the Document & Registration of the contract as per the Act No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	24/08/2022 10.00 hours
05	Supply and Delivery of 1000 tonne of Hydrated Lime Contract No: SUP&MM/CHEM/HL-03/2022/09	20,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 821,500/-	Manufacturers or their local accredited agents for Supply & Delivery of 1000 tonne of Hydrated Lime and Registration of the Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	24/08/2022 10.00 hours
06	Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning & Maintenance of Remote Monitoring & Control System for Sagamam & Ullai Water Treatment Plants in Akkaraipattu Region Contract No: RSC(E)/AGM(ES)/S&I/RE-MONI/ SAGA&ULLAI/RH/ AKP/2022/19	4,000/- + VAT	Rs. 72,000/-	Manufacturers or their local accredited agents for Supply & Installation of Remote Monitoring Control System & Registration of the Contract as per the Act No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	AGM (Eastern South) Office, NWSDB, Sri Dhammaratne Mawatha, Ampara. Tele: 063-2223926 Fax : 063-2224975	18/08/2022 13.00 hours
07	Supply and Delivery of Personal Protective Equipment for WTPS at Schemes Contract No: RSC (E) /AGM (ES) /S&D /PPE/WTP-AMP/RH/ AMP/2022/22	2,000/- + VAT	Rs. 20,000/-	Manufacturers or their local accredited agents for Supply & Delivery of Personal Protective Equipment & Registration of the Contract as per the Act No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	AGM (Eastern South) Office, NWSDB, Sri Dhammaratne Mawatha, Ampara. Tele : 063-2223926 Fax : 063-2224975	18/08/2022 13.00 hours
08	Supply and Delivery of Wood Base Powdered Activated Carbon for Sagamam Water Treatment Plant Contract No: RSC(E)/AGM(ES)/SAGAMAM T.PLANT/PAC/ AKP/2022/23	6,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 115,000/-	Manufacturers or their local accredited agents for Supply & Delivery of 5 tons of Wood Base Powdered Activated Carbon & Registration of the contract as per the Act No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	AGM (Eastern South) Office, NWSDB, Sri Dhammaratne Mawatha, Ampara. Tele : 063-2223926 Fax : 063-2224975	18/08/2022 13.00 hours
09	Supply and Delivery of Liquid Chlorine NaOCl, NaOH Flakes & Citric Acid Crystal for Sagamam Water Treatment Plant Contract No: RSC(E)/AGM(ES)/S&D/NaOCl,NaOH& CACID/ SAGAWTP/O&M/2022/24	12,500/- + VAT **	Rs. 158,000/-	Manufacturers or their local accredited agents for Supply & Delivery of NaOCl, NaOH Flakes & Citric Acid & Registration of the contract as per the Act. No. 3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	AGM (Eastern South) Office, NWSDB, Sri Dhammaratne Mawatha, Ampara. Tele : 063-2223926 Fax : 063-2224975	18/08/2022 13.00 hours
SERVICE TENDERS							
10	Provision of Skilled and Unskilled Workmen Services for Western Production Region. Contract No: DPC/WP/S/WRP/CIVIL/O&M/2022/08	35,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 200,000/- Per Bill	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under the Business Registration Regulation having minimum 02 years' experience providing unskilled workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	24/08/2022 10.00 hours
11	Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Weligama Area Engineer's Area Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/WELIGAMA /A.E.AREA/O&M/ 2022-67	20,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 500,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under Business Registration or Community Based Organization (CBO)registered under Divisional Secretary in the relevant area, having minimum 02 years' experience providing workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	22/08/2022 10.00 hours
12	Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Matara Area Engineer's Area Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/MATARA /A.E.AREA/O&M/ 2022-68	35,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 1,000,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under Business Registration or Community Based Organization (CBO)registered under Divisional Secretary in the relevant area, having minimum 02 years' experience providing workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contract.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	23/08/2022 10.00 hours
13	Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Ambalangoda Area Engineer's Area Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/A'GODA A.E.AREA/O&M/2022-69	20,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 500,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under Business Registration or Community Based Organization (CBO)registered under Divisional Secretary in the relevant area, having minimum 02 years' experience providing workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	23/08/2022 10.00 hours
14	Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Calle Area Engineer's Area Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/GALLE A.E.AREA/O&M/2022-70	20,000/- + VAT **	Rs. 695,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under Business Registration or Community Based Organization (CBO)registered under Divisional Secretary in the relevant area, having minimum 02 years' experience providing workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	25/08/2022 10.00 hours
15	Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Hambantota Region Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/ HAMBANTOTA /O&M/ 2022-71	12,500/- + VAT **	Rs. 392,500/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under Business Registration or Community Based Organization (CBO)registered under Divisional Secretary in the relevant area, having minimum 02 years' experience providing workmen services with the Certificate of Registration of Contract as per the Act No.3 of 1987 with the Registrar of Public Contracts.	-	Tenders & Contracts Section, NWS&DB, Galle Road, Ratmalana. Tele : 011-2605328 Fax : 011-2635885	25/08/2022 10.00 hours
16	Provision of Janitorial Services for Manager Office at Maharagama Contract No: WC/M(MAH)/JANITORIAL/2022/04	4,000/- + VAT	Rs. 50,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under the Business Registration Regulation having minimum five (05) years' experience in the field of providing Janitorial services	3.25 Million	RSC (W-C), No. 175A, Kaluthota Building, Nawala Road, Nugegoda. Tele:/Fax : 011- 2856421 / 011-2856420-2	17/08/2022 10.00 hours
17	Provision of Janitorial Services for Area Engineer's Office at Piliyandala Contract No: WC/M(MAH)/JANITORIAL/2022/05	4,000/- + VAT	Rs. 45,000/-	Registered Company in Sri Lanka under the Business Registration Regulation having minimum five (05) years' experience in the field of providing Janitorial services	2.648 Million	RSC (W-C), No. 175A, Kaluthota Building, Nawala Road, Nugegoda. Tele:/Fax : 011- 2856421 / 011-2856420-2	17/08/2022 10.00 hours
Reference to the advertisement dated 2022.07.20, Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Maintenance of Sewerage Infrastructure of Kataragama Swerage Scheme, Contract No. RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/KATARAGAMA/SEWERAGE/O&M/2022-73. Please note that the closing date of this tender has been extended up to 2022.08.10.							
Reference to the advertisement dated 2022.07.20, Provision of Unskilled Workmen Services for Workshop Matara and RSC(S) Office, Contract No. RSC(S)/P&C/SERVICE/WORK SHOP/RSC/MATARA/O&M/2022-72. Please note that the closing date of this tender has been extended up to 2022.08.10.							
HIRING VEHICLE							
18	Hiring of a Car - Sanitation and Hygiene Initiative for Towns (SHIFT) Project Contract No: SHIFT/VEH-HIRE/AFD/PMU/2022/03/R	2,000/- + VAT	Rs. 15,000/-	As per the document	-	Chairman, Project Procurement Committee, Sanitation and Hygiene Initiative for Towns (SHIFT) Project, No : 38, Charles Place, Rawathawatta, Morotuwa. Non Refundable Tender fee should be paid under the current A/c No. 00798667300 at Dehiwala Branch of BOC. Name should be stated as "Tender Fees-PPC/2022-03/R"	17/08/2022 14.00 hours
19	Hiring of 01 No. of Crew Cab for Kelaniya Region Contract No: RSC(W/N)/SS/HIRING/KEL(O&M)/2022/44R	2,000/- + VAT	Rs. 5,000/-	As per the document	-	RSC(W/N) Office, No.433/4A, Ganemulla Road, Kadawatha. Tele : 0112922129 Fax : 0112922146	17/08/2022 10.00 hours
20	Hiring of a Crew Cab for Weligama Water Supply Scheme. Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/HIRING/CREW CAB/ WELIGAMA/O&M/2022-107	2,000/- + VAT	Rs. 5,000/-	As per the document	-	RSC (Southern), 395, Kumaratunga Mawatha, Pamburana, Matara. Tele : 041-2222105 Fax : 041-2221329	17/08/2022 14.00 hours
21	Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Hikkaduwa Water Supply Scheme. Contract No: RSC(S)/P&C/HIRING/T.WHEELER/HIKKADUWA/O&M/2021-191R	500/- + VAT	Rs. 2,500/-	As per the document	-	RSC (Southern), 395, Kumaratunga Mawatha, Pamburana, Matara. Tele : 041-2222105 Fax : 041-2221329	17/08/2022 14.00 hours

Please register online www.drc.gov.lk of Registrar of Companies to get PCA 3 form (only for tenders marked as ***). Further, please use gmail for registration.

Bidding documents will be issued on production of a letter of request on a business letterhead together with the payment receipt for non-refundable tender fee between 09.00 hours and 15.00 hours on normal working days up to **day before the closing date.**

Bidding documents may be inspected free of charge at the place of issuing documents during normal working hours.

Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of the bidders' authorized representatives who choose to attend. **Late bids will be returned unopened.**

Chairman, National Water Supply and Drainage Board