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Laughs Gas reduces prices

Laughs Gas reduced the price of a 12.5 Kg domestic gas cylinder by Rs. 1,050 from last night. The new prices will be of a 12.5 KG cylinder is Rs. 5,800, 5KG cylinder Rs. 2,320 and a 2Kg cylinder Rs 928. Litro Gas Company also earlier reduced the price of 12.5 Kg cylinder by Rs. 246 and 5KG cylinder by Rs. 99. The new prices of Litro Gas from August 8 are 12.5kg cylinder Rs. 4,664, 5kg cylinder Rs. 1,872 and 2.3kg cylinder is Rs. 869.

ACTRESS JACQUELINE FERNANDEZ NAMED AS ACCUSED IN MONEY LAUNDERING CASE

INDIA: Actress Jacqueline Fernandez has been named as an accused in a chargesheet filed by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) against common man Suresh Chandrashekhar in a Rs. 200 crore extortion case. In the supplementary chargesheet filed by the ED in a Delhi Court, the actress has been accused of money laundering. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Bollywood actress Jacqueline Fernandez arrives at Enforcement Directorate office for questioning in connection with a money laundering case, in New Delhi. - PTI

DE-LISTING OF PROSCRIBED ORGANISATIONS AFTER THOROUGH SCRUTINY - PMD

The President's Media Division (PMD), in a press statement regarding the recently issued Gazette on updating the list of proscribed persons and organizations under the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolution 1373, yesterday said it was done after a thorough research since March. The PMD clarified that Defence Ministry Secretary General (Retired) Kamal Gunaratne, who is the Competent Authority to implement the United Nations Regulations No. 1 of 2012, de-listed 316 individuals and six organizations from the list by Gazette No. 2291/2 dated August 1 after a formal and in-depth information study based on evidence. Also, another 316 individuals and 15 organizations, including 55 newly identified individuals and three organizations, have been listed by the above Gazette. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Committee will decide on status of 'Giant Squirrel' - Minister

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Agriculture Minister Mahinda Amaraweera says that an arbitrary decision will never be taken regarding the removal of the Grizzled Giant Squirrel (Dandulena) as the national animal. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



OVER 2.4 MN VEHICLES HAVE NOT TAKEN 'FUEL PASS'

P.K. BANDARA
Out of the vehicles currently registered at the Motor Traffic Department, more than 2.4 million vehicles have not obtained the national fuel pass. As of May 2022, the total number of vehicles registered with the Motor Traffic Department is 8,341,861. As of August 15, the number of vehicles, including motorcycles, that have obtained the national fuel pass is 5,889,324. Accordingly, 2,452,537 registered vehicles have not yet obtained the National Fuel Pass. A Department official said yesterday (17) that more than 2.4 million vehicles not getting the fuel pass means that those vehicles are not pumping fuel. The national fuel pass has been actively implemented since August 1, 2022. Commissioner General of Motor Traffic Department Nishantha Anuruddha Weerasinghe said that there is no mechanism to find out why they have not obtained the Fuel Pass. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Some media distorted my reply on former President's travel fares - Minister

AMALI MALLAWAARACHCHI
Transport, Highways and Mass Media Minister Dr. Bandula Gunawardana yesterday said that some media have distorted his reply given to a question raised by a journalist at the Cabinet press briefing held on Tuesday over travel expenses of former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Advanced Level results to be released by month end

DHARMA SRI ABEYRATNE
Results of the GCE Advanced Level Examination 2021 held in March this year, will be released by the end of this month, Examinations Department sources told *Daily News*. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

PRESIDENT RECEIVES CREDENTIALS OF AMBASSADOR, HIGH COMMISSIONER



The new Australian High Commissioner and the new Nepalese Ambassador presented their credentials to President Ranil Wickremesinghe yesterday at a ceremony held at the Presidential Secretariat. Paul Wesley Stephens assumed duties as the new Australian High Commissioner and Bashu Dev Mishra took office as the new Nepalese Ambassador. *Picture by President's Media Division*

Japanese PM congratulates President, hopes for progress

Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, in a congratulatory message to President Ranil Wickremesinghe, said that he hopes that the Sri Lankan Government would overcome the ongoing crisis as soon as possible through economic and administrative reforms. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Kayleigh must leave or face deportation - IED

SUBASHINI SENANAYAKE
The Immigration and Emigration Department (IED) yesterday said that the Scottish woman Kayleigh Fraser whose visa was cancelled after she campaigned for the Galle Face protests on social media will be deported if she does not leave in the next few days. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Maize cultivation will help reduce chicken, egg prices - Minister

ANANDA KANNANGARA
Agriculture Minister Mahinda Amaraweera expressed serious concern over the high prices of chicken and eggs in the market now. He said, unless allocating more lands in agricultural districts to cultivate maize which is **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Polish with five kilos of cocaine arrested

SUBASHINI SENANAYAKE
Customs officials arrested a Polish national at the Bandaranaike International Airport (BIA) yesterday while in possession of 5kg cocaine worth Rs.245 million. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

COVID CASES TEN TIMES HIGHER THAN MAY, JUNE

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Sri Lanka is currently witnessing a sharp increase in the number of patients with COVID-19, which is now ten times higher than what it was in May and June, Health Services Deputy Director General Dr. Hemantha Herath said. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Renewable energy projects to be streamlined

Adani invests US\$ 500 mn for two wind energy plants

DHARMA SRI ABEYRATNE
The Power and Energy Ministry is focused on speedily increasing the renewable energy production capacity to the national grid by approving proposed renewable energy projects. This was revealed in a discussion held at the Ministry to review the progress of renewable energy projects. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Anti-rabies vaccine drive in Homagama

Deaths of deer, cattles roaming around

BUDDHIKA IMBULANA
The Wildlife Conservation Department has informed the Health Ministry's anti-rabies campaign to immediately administer the rabies vaccine to dogs in Homagama and nearby villages due to the rabies disease in deer and cattle in the area. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Gotabaya will return on August 24, shun politics - Udayanga

SUBASHINI SENANAYAKE
Former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa who is currently in Thailand will return to the country on August 24, said former Sri Lankan Ambassador to Russia Udayanga Weeratunge. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



Ministry to get daily report on medicines in Hospitals - DDG

Essential drugs will be provided for those in need

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA
Health Deputy Director General Dr. Hemantha Herath yesterday (17) said that the Health Ministry is working to get a daily report on the medicines that are not available to maintain hospitals without a shortage of medicines. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Restructure public enterprises without delay - Eran

SJB MP Eran Wickremaratne yesterday said that government institutions should necessarily be restructured for the development of the country. **▶ TO PAGE 02**



CCD identifies Rs.5 mn depositor to Retta's account

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE
The Colombo Crime Division (CCD) has identified the person who has allegedly credited Rs.5 million to the bank account of Rathindu Senarathne alias Retta who was in the forefront of the Galle Face protest campaign. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Two held for smuggling gold biscuits worth Rs. 205 mn



T.K.G. KAPILA IN KATUNAYAKE
An air passenger and a female employee of the Bandaranaike International Airport's (BIA) duty-free mall, who tried to check out of the airport with a consignment of gold biscuits worth Rs.205 million rupees, have been taken into custody by Customs officials. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Driver's feud leads to Polgahawela train suspension

LAHIRU FERNANDO
Train No. 1528, an office train leaving for Colombo Fort and Ratmalana from Polgahawela has been suspended for several days following a dispute. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

Bolling, Martenstyn in CID over July 9 gathering

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE
Businessman Jonathan Martenstyn and swimming champion Julian Bolling who were summoned to the CID yesterday were grilled for over seven hours as part of **▶ TO PAGE 02**



7 INJURED IN MULTIPLE BLASTS, ARSON ATTACKS IN THAILAND

THAILAND: Explosions and fires ripped through at least 17 locations in southern Thailand on Wednesday, authorities said, in what appeared to be multiple coordinated attacks that injured seven people. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

MIG purchases: Udayanga gives CID statement

SUBASHINI SENANAYAKE
Former Sri Lankan Ambassador to Russia Udayanga Weeratunge appeared before the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) to record a statement over the controversial MIG fighter jets deal yesterday. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

CID to freeze assets of underworld gangster Sanjeeva

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE
The Illegal Assets Investigations Division of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) is contemplating on freezing the property, worth millions of Rupees, belonging to underworld gangster Makilangamuwe Sanjeeva, within the next two weeks. **▶ TO PAGE 02**

TEN YEAR NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH POLICY UNVEILED

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA

The National Mental Health Policy for ten years was unveiled on Tuesday (16) at the Ministry under the patronage of the Health Minister Keheliya Rambukwella.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic which has prevailed in the country for more than two years, the publication of this policy was delayed and with the intervention of the World Health Organisation, the Mental Health Policy of Sri Lanka was initiated in the country in 2005.

This was started considering the mental health condition of the people of the country after the Tsunami disaster at that time and it is updated every ten years considering the current situation in the country.

The newly enacted policy, based on the theme of "Building Mental Health Through The Community" has paid attention on building the mental health of children and adults, preventing violence, reducing suicides, rehabilitation of drug addicts, people suffering from mental illness, etc.

Along with this, the Minister also launched the National Mental Health Support Service (Hotline 1926), from which the Mental Health Support Service can be obtained at district and national level, focusing on all districts.



The National Mental Health Policy for ten years was unveiled on Tuesday (16) at the Ministry under the patronage of the Health Minister Keheliya Rambukwella. World Health Organisation representative Dr. Alaka Singh, Health Ministry Secretary Janaka Sri Chandragupta, Director General of Health Services (Acting) Dr. S. Sreedaran, Director of Mental Health Unit of the Ministry of Health Dr. N. V. R. Ratnayake were also present.

Minister Rambukwella said that the good mental health of a person helps build a successful and good society and a good society is born from people with a good mind.

Minister Rambukwella pointed out that due to various challenges including the

COVID-19 pandemic, it has been a challenge to maintain the mental well-being of the people in the last two years with the intervention of mental health professionals in the field being at a minimal level.

It was also pointed out that human qualities such as compassion and kindness

should be highlighted in the patient care of doctors and other professionals rather than the strength of the drugs used for that.

The Minister said that this Mental Health Policy should be made into a national guideline and efforts should be made to improve individual mental health and it should not be limited to a policy document and its effectiveness and accountability should be given properly.

World Health Organisation representative Dr. Alaka Singh said that this policy is implemented in only 21 countries in the world and the implementation of such a policy in Sri Lanka has added more value to the health system of the country.

Alaka Singh further said that the quality of mental health care can be improved by increasing the primary health care service and especially since the primary health care in Sri Lanka is at a high level, such a situation can be successfully achieved.

Ministry of Health Secretary Janaka Sri Chandragupta, Additional Secretaries, Director General of Health Services (Acting) Dr. S. Sreedaran, Director of Mental Health Unit of the Ministry of Health Dr. N. V. R. Ratnayake and other directors of the Ministry participated.

Austria donates essential medicines to Sri Lanka



High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to India Milinda Moragoda receiving the consignment of essential medicines from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Embassy of Austria in New Delhi Matthias Radosztics at the Sri Lanka High Commission. Deputy High Commissioner Niluka Kadurugamuwa, Upul Pushpakumara and Ms. Pamoda Gooneratne - Counsellor were also present.

The Government of Austria donated a consignment of essential medicines worth Rs. 4 million to the Government of Sri Lanka. The High Commission will take action to urgently dispatch these medicines to Sri Lanka.

The consignment, containing 27 essential medicines, which are urgently required in the country, was handed over to the High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to India Milinda Moragoda by the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Embassy of Austria in New Delhi Matthias Radosztics at the Sri Lanka High Commission.

The Austrian Embassy in New Delhi is concurrently accredited to Sri Lanka. This donation of medicines by Austria was in response to the appeal made by the Government of Sri Lanka to foreign countries for donations of essential medicines urgently required in Sri Lanka. Accepting the consignment, High Commissioner Moragoda expressed his appreciation to the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Embassy of Austria for this gesture of friendship and goodwill by the Austrian Government.

The High Commission of Sri Lanka in New Delhi functions as the main coordinating point between the concurrently accredited 94 Foreign Missions and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka.

Attanayaka hails decision to appoint Eran, Kabir to COPE, COPA

ANANDA KANNANGARA

Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) National Organiser Tissa Attanayaka hailed the decision taken to appoint senior Opposition Parliamentarians Eran Wickramaratna and Kabir Hashim to the Committee of Public Enterprises (COPE) and the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA).

"It is a bold decision taken by the Government in its endeavour of probing many irregularities that are taking place in Government departments, Corporations, Local Government and other Public Sector institutions," he said.

Speaking to the *Daily News*, Attanayaka said during the tenure of former Presidents Mahinda Rajapaksa and Gotabaya Rajapaksa, these two important committees, COPE and COPA, were headed by only Government Parliamentarians.



He said leading such important Committees by Government Members of Parliament is not suitable since there would

be a lack of transparency from these Committees. "However, during the Yahapalana Government, these Committees were headed by Members in the Opposition, so that there was transparency," he said.

He said the importance of these Committees were realized by President Ranil Wickremesinghe following a request made by the SJB MP Laksman Kiriella and the names of two Opposition Members of Parliament, Eran Wickramaratna and Kabir Hashim might be announced to lead these Committees.

The COPE and COPA Committees meet often and look into the irregularities, shortcomings, the progress and also the financial situation of over 1,200 Government Departments, Corporations, Local Government, Statutory Boards and other Public Sector institutions.

WHO Framework Convention to control tobacco use

ANANDA KANNANGARA

Safeguarding the tobacco supply chain and prohibiting the manufacturing and distribution of illicit tobacco products is needed to stop the worldwide tobacco epidemic, National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol (NATA) Chairman Dr. Samadhi Rajapaksa said.

Dr. Rajapaksa made these remarks to coincide with the World Health Organisation Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC) held in Geneva, Switzerland.

Dr. Rajapaksa was also elected as the Regional Coordinator to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC), Member of the Parties (MOP2). According-

ly, the next MOP on tobacco control will be held in Panama in 2023.

He said the WHO FCTC has been the first Treaty written under its authority and advocates for a multi-sectorial implementation.

The World Health Assembly approved the Treaty in May 2003 and it went into effect in February 2005. The Treaty already has 168 signatories along with the European Union countries and this framework was created in response to the globalization of the tobacco epidemic. Dr. Rajapaksa said Sri Lanka was among the first countries to ratify the WHO FCTC in November 2003. He further said the World Health Organisation's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control has



been the first Treaty written under its authority and advocates for a multi-sectorial implementation.

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New visa regulations will attract more Korean investments - Korean Ambassador

Ambassador of the Republic of Korea Santhush Woonjin Jeong said the newly introduced relaxed visa regulations will help to attract more Korean investors to Sri Lanka. Pointing out that Korea was the top most investor in Sri Lanka in the 1980s, the Ambassador said his country desires to regain that position by increasing investments.

He stated this when he called on Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena to felicitate him on his appointment as the Premier.

The Prime Minister said Korea has the opportunities now to invest in new sectors such as production of agricultural machinery, medicine and medical equipment and renewable energy and fisheries sectors. He also pointed out the potential for exports to the huge Indian market utilizing the Indo-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement.

Ambassador Santhush Woonjin Jeong said several programmes including a Korean film festival will be held later this year to mark the 45th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Secretary to the Prime Minister Anura-Dissanayake was also present during the meeting.



Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Sri Lanka Santhush Woonjin Jeong paying a courtesy call on Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena.

Foreign Minister briefs Diplomatic Corps on current developments



Foreign Affairs Minister Ali Sabry, PC briefing Colombo-based Ambassadors and High Commissioners on current developments on Monday at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Attorney General Sanjay Rajaratnam, Foreign Secretary Aruni Wijewardane and Finance Secretary Mahinda Siriwardana were also present.

Minister of Foreign Affairs Ali Sabry, PC met the Colombo-based Ambassadors and High Commissioners on Monday August 15, 2022 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for a briefing on current developments ahead of the 51st session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva.

Attorney General Sanjay Rajaratnam, Foreign Secretary Aruni Wijewardane and Finance Secretary Mahinda Siriwardana also contributed to the briefing.

Minister Sabry outlined the current developments in Sri Lanka, including the democratic transition of office in accordance with the Constitution. He outlined several areas of progress already visible in addressing some of the immediate challenges which has led to a greater degree of stability for the people. On the political front, the Minister briefed regarding the work underway towards forming an All-Party Government.

He also recalled that the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution which effectively restores the 19th Amendment, has been gazetted and is before the Parliament. This measure will contribute towards strengthening Parliamentary

democracy, oversight of the executive branches of government and the independence of key institutions. He also explained the progress that has been initiated towards a comprehensive review of the PTA. The government is taking focused measures to mitigate the adverse impact of the current economic situation on the vulnerable sectors of the population in order to ensure the economic and social rights of the people and to prevent further disparities.

The Minister also noted that despite the unprecedented situation in the country in recent years, including in the aftermath of the COVID pandemic, advancements have been made in the area of human rights and reconciliation through domestic processes. The government is in the process of building consensus so that further progress can be made on matters related to human rights, justice and equity.

The Foreign Minister emphasized that Sri Lanka will continue its constructive engagement with the Human Rights Council at the upcoming 51st session.

Finance Secretary Siriwardana made a presentation on the current economic situation,

focusing on the social safety measures that the Government has adopted for vulnerable groups, with a view to mitigating adverse impacts. The Attorney General elaborated on the legal framework related to the Government's response to the recent incidents related to protests and the imposing of the State of Emergency. Foreign Secretary Wijewardane highlighted Sri Lanka's continuing and extensive engagement with several procedures and processes of the United Nations human rights framework.

During the discussion that followed the presentations, the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations Hanaa Singer-Hamdy expressed appreciation for the consistent efforts of the Government in facing the challenges and expanding the social safety net of vulnerable groups. She also acknowledged the review of the PTA. The UN Resident Coordinator announced that the UN will be partnering with the Government of Sri Lanka on a five-year framework of cooperation which will include areas of social and economic rights and social cohesion amongst others.

Tharuni celebrates 53rd anniversary



ANCL General Manager Sumith Kothalawala presents a memento to one of the employees on the occasion.

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA

Tharuni, the weekly women's newspaper published by the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd. (ANCL) celebrated its 53rd anniversary at the ANCL premises yesterday (17).

A workshop was held to mark the Anniversary Celebrations.

Speaking at the inauguration of the workshop, ANCL General Manager Sumith Kothalawala said that *Tharuni* remains the number one women's newspaper in the country.

"But due to the prevailing financial crisis, we have taken measures to publish it as a Digital Paper and the Print Edition will be published once a month," said the General Manager.

He further said that the top management of the ANCL is taking all possible measures to bring the paper back to normal publishing.

Speaking at the occasion, ANCL Director Finance Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam stressed the importance of preserving the valuable heritage of ANCL. We are confident that the *Tharuni* newspaper will play a crucial role in the company's future growth and performance.

ANCL Company Secretary Sudharshi Prasanga, Deputy General Manager Chandana Bandara, *Silumina* Editor Dharman Wickremarathne, *Tharuni* Editor Palika Dilrukshi and others participated in this occasion.



ANCL Finance Director Professor Harendra Kariyawasam, ANCL General Manager Sumith Kothalawala, DGM Chandana Bandara and ANCL Company Secretary Sudharshi Prasanga were present. Pictures by Shan Rupassara

Sugeeswara Senadhira, PM's new Media Advisor

Veteran journalist of audio-visual and print media, Sugeeswara P. Senadhira has been appointed as Advisor (Media) to Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena.

Sugeeswara served as International Media Director to 3 Presidents, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Maithripala Sirisena and Gotabaya Rajapaksa. He also served as Sri Lanka Consul in Norway and Minister Counsellor at the Sri Lanka High Commission in New Delhi and Sri Lanka Embassy in Paris.

A broadcaster-journalist, Sugeeswara



started his media career at the External Services of All India Radio, New Delhi and later served at the *Sunday Observer*. He was Editor of *The Independent*, and the *Weekend Express* and first News Director of Sirasa, MTV/MBC Radio. He was also the Associate Director of Regional Centre for Strategic Studies.

An old boy of Ananda College, Colombo, Senadhira is a Graduate of the University of Delhi and a Post Graduate Press Fellow of Wolfson College, University of Cambridge.

Actress Jacqueline Fernandez... From page 01

The ED is probing the money laundering case against Chandrasekhar, who was earlier arrested by Delhi Police for the alleged extortion of around Rs.215 crore from Shivinder Singh, former promoter of pharmaceutical giant Ranbaxy, and his wife Aditi Singh.

According to the central probe agency, Chandrasekhar allegedly used the swindled money to give Ms Fernandez gifts worth over Rs.5 crore. The ED has alleged that the actor was aware that the gifts have been bought using swindled money.

The 37-year-old actor has been questioned multiple times by the agency in this case, the last being in June. The actor, a Sri Lanka national, debuted in the Hindi

film industry in 2009. The ED in April provisionally attached Rs.7.27 crore funds of the actor under the PMLA apart from Rs 15 lakh cash as the agency called these funds as "proceeds of crime". "Sukesh Chandrasekhar had given various gifts worth Rs. 5.71 crore to Jacqueline Fernandez from the proceeds of crime generated by criminal activities including extortion," the ED had then said in statement.

"Chandrasekhar had put Pinky Irani, his long-time associate and co-accused in this case, to deliver the said gifts to her," the ED had said.

In addition to these gifts, it said, Chandrasekhar also gave "funds to the tune of USD 1,72,913 (about Rs 1.3

crore as per current exchange rate) and AUD 26740 (approx. Rs 14 lakhs) to the close family members of Fernandez out of the proceeds of crime through co-accused Avtar Singh Kochhar, an established and well known international hawala operator."

The agency said its probe found that Chandrasekhar had "delivered cash to the tune of Rs 15 lakh to a writer on behalf of Fernandez as advance for writing a script of her web series project." The ED has alleged that Chandrasekhar used illegal money to purchase gifts for Fernandez which he had extorted by cheating high-profile people including former Fortis Healthcare promoter Shivinder Mohan Singh's wife Aditi Singh.

Driver's feud leads ... From page 01

between locomotive drivers over a drivers' rest room in Polgahawela station, it was reported.

According to Polgahawela railway station sources, the unwillingness of the drivers of the Ratmalana-bound train to share the rest room with the drivers of another train leaving for Kandy has led to this situation.

The Ratmalana bound office train and the Kandy bound school train are scheduled to leave from Polgahawela at 5.25 a.m. and 5.35 a.m. respectively.

A large number of passengers travelling to Ratmalana and Polgahawela via Colombo Fort have been affected due to this situation.

The locomotive driver of the Ratmalana-bound train is paid an overtime payment for 18 hours per day even though the train is not running, sources said.

Two held for smuggling... From page 01

The consignment weighing nine kgs and 500 grams, was seized by Customs at the arrivals terminal by officials from the Narcotic Control Division last morning.

The suspect is a 39-year-old air passenger from Nittambuwa area. He arrived at the BIA by Emirates flight number EK-650 from Dubai at 8.35 in the morning. Also, the female suspect is a 38-year-old woman from Seeduwa, who was employed at the BIA duty-free shopping complex. The suspect was arrested while attempting to leave the BIA with 80 gold biscuits in his luggage and the airport attendant in her hand bag. The two are under the custody of the airport Customs officials and further investigations are being carried out on this.

MIG purchases: Udayanga gives ... From page 01

Colombo Fort Magistrate Thilina Gamage on Saturday (13) ordered Weeraturunge to record a statement with the CID in connection with this case.

The Attorney who appeared on behalf of Weeraturunge requested Court on Saturday to relax the travel ban imposed on his client, for him to participate in an event to be held in Russia. However, the CID raised strong objections against this request, after which the Magistrate dismissed the request and ordered Udayanga Weeraturunge to record a statement with the CID. The former Ambassador arrived at the CID around 10.30 in the morning and left after about three hours.

Advanced Level results... From page 01

A total of 345,242 candidates sat the examination at 2,438 examination centres countrywide.

However the Examinations Commissioner earlier said the department could issue results by August 1. When asked whether the results will be issued soon, an official said that the process of issuing result is being carried out by now and it takes a few days more.

"The results could be issued in the last week of this month," he said.

However with the delay of issuing the results, students hoping to apply for Advanced Level Examination again are in a quandary this year. The Examinations Department has called for applications from schools and private applicants in connection with this year's Advanced Level examination. Candidates are advised to apply through online technology before August 19.

De-listing of proscribed ... From page 01

"The preliminary investigations related to Gazette 2291/02 published on August 1 was initiated in March and accordingly, the terrorist or extremist organizations in the country or outside the country and those connected to it and their related finances, assets, terrorist activities were investigated and the listing or de-listing of these individuals or organizations were done based on whether or not they had direct or indirect links to extremist activities," the PMD stated.

The delisted organizations are the Global Tamil Forum (GTF), Australian Tamil Congress (ATC), World Tamil Coordinating Committee (WTCC), Tamil Eelam Peoples Association (TEPA), British Tamil Forum (BTF) and the Canadian Tamil Congress (CTC). The listed organizations through the Gazette are Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), Tamils Rehabilitation Organization (TRO), Tamil Coordinating Committee (TCC), World Tamil Movement (WTM), Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE), World Tamil Relief Fund (WTRF), Headquarters Group (HQ Group), National Council of Canadian Tamils (NCCT), Tamil Youth

Organization (TYO), National Thowheed Jamath (NTJ), Jamathe Millathe Ibrahim (JMI), Willayath As Seylani (WAS), Darul Adhar (DA), Sri Lanka Islamic Student Movement (SLISM) and Save the Pearl.

"If an organization or a person listed in this manner wants to file any objection in this regard, it is possible to submit an application to the competent authority and make a written request to be removed from the list along with the reasons. The relevant departments will then report the request to the competent authority after an extensive study of information. The Competent Authority is then responsible for making recommendations to the External Affairs Minister as to whether the person or organization should be removed from the list. The Minister's decision is final and aggrieved parties have the ability to challenge the decision by filing a complaint with the High Court. Further, any person or entity affected by freezing of existing money or funds, asset freezing order or other financial assets or economic resources or other related services has the scope to complain to the High Court," the PMD statement said.



Sri Lanka must be transformed into a competitive export oriented economy - President

President Ranil Wickremesinghe addressing the OPA annual conference and awards ceremony.

We have to transform into a highly competitive export oriented economy and there is no other way out. "We are a country with 22 million people. We have to find markets outside. We have to compete with other countries", President Ranil Wickremesinghe addressing the OPA annual conference and awards ceremony at Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo said on Tuesday (August 16).

He said: There is one profession you'll have left out in OPA. The professional politicians and I don't think that you'll be anxious to have us either, which is quite understandable. We agreed on some issues, disagreed on many others, but you'll be people who made lasting contributions to the economy and society. Today you are meeting here not merely to witness the 3rd APEX National Awards, but at a time, when our country is facing a crisis unprecedented in our modern history and the economic crisis has started when our fragile economy was able to recover by 2017 to have a surplus in the primary budget, and then we hit with a number of other events.

The 52 day gap when the government was thrown out, followed by security issue that was Easter bombing, followed by a political economic issue of reducing taxes in 2019 and by 2020 we were hit by COVID and as we went along,

1000 at home which I had saved from a trip. So, I was more than 1000 times richer than the Republic. But if you take a person like Mr. Sanjeev Gardiner, he would have been about a million times richer than the Republic.

Nevertheless, that was what we were. There were times when we were looking at getting two three million dollars just to pay off a bill. We are out of that stage now, fortunately. But we are not out of the woods yet. We cannot go on as an import dependent economy with the balance of trade not in our favour. What are we going to do now? That's the stabilization. We are now discussing with the IMF to finalize a Staff level agreement and we are at the Nitti gritty. So, when you set the criteria and targets, quarter percent and make a difference between prosperity and disaster. When that is over the staff level agreement will come in and that will give us confidence, money will come in from some other donors, some other multilateral organizations, some investors wouldn't mind taking the risk. Lizards are preparing the debt sustainability plan, but first we have to firstly discuss with our official creditors.

Now there are two groups, the West which thinks of a haircut and the Chinese would like to give additional loans to pay off these loans. So there has to be one approach and we are talking with Japan about how this could be achieved and we'll talk with China. We've already started talks

on integrated trade agreements, but you will not lose out on it. If you don't go for that market you have no future. All you have to do is look out and go out. The government has to come out with plans to help you. We have to find these big markets to become competitive and there are areas to look at like logistics. We can serve the whole region, if Colombo, Hambantota and Trincomalee harbours are properly developed. One of the areas as you mentioned here is Agriculture. With 500 million additional people to feed, why not modernize our agriculture, not traditional agriculture. There are many of you here who can help to take part. The services, the new technologies, developing tourism to a different level. We have to get ready for 4th Industrial Revolution and you'll know what those technologies are. How it can be used and how you can make money. That's what we want you to do, but it means complete restructuring of our economy. When the government sector falls there still we must have enough money and income to fund education and health, a new system of education, social mobility comes from education and health system and housing, those are basic needs. So we moved towards the social marketing economy. That is restructuring what we have. Then the governance itself, everyone admits this model has failed. Now are we going to do the same politics again? To bring the same model back? This is the question for all those



The President being conducted to the venue. (Pictures by President's Media Division)

uriya and Mr. Victor Ivan came up with the idea of Jana Sabha, to get the ideas of the people and pass it on. That is a good concept. Especially those who came out to the road, who wanted change, can come there and talk. Then there are also those who did not want change and they too can come there and talk with the others who want change. It is not something that we politicians can do and don't think we have the credibility. Therefore, the credibility is what we have established by giving it to out-

siders. So in this you can join in, first on the economic side and secondly on the social side. We need a strong civil society. Civil society that is able to influence and where the youth is not left out. We want all to come and join.

We must sort out the problems among the ethnic groups as this has gone on for too long as the war was over in 2009 and there is no need to fight again. Let's be as Sri Lankans and we are also looking at the diaspora. It's a strength and a source of investment.

So I have decided to set up a diaspora office, which will deal with the diaspora separately and the groups that they have.

This is a part of new Sri Lanka where we are widening the horizon of economic activity and for governance and I am sure you'll take part wholeheartedly and let's all get together because this is the last chance we have. If we don't pull it off, I don't think there will be a fourth National APEX Award.



The President with the awardees.

wrong decisions were made not to bring in fertilizer and a decision to maintain an artificial rate of exchange. All these brought about the crisis which we faced in January and February this year.

This economic crisis, in turn, led to a political protest, first led by youth and the middle class and subsequently taken over by more violent extremists, which pushed the young idealists out. We witnessed two outbursts of violence. The second one aimed at actually bringing the government machinery to halt by taking over all the establishments necessary for that fact. Fortunately as the Hon. Speaker knows, the Parliament was saved and now we have gone through a period of establishing law and order, because the severe instability of the economy on one hand and severe political instability on the other hand, the loss that Sri Lanka has suffered cannot be counted. But now we are back again and how do we face the future? The situation here is normal and I will not be extending the State of Emergency and I think it will lapse by the end of the week. It shows that stability has returned, but that is not enough. How do we handle the problems that we have? How do we go forward? I will have to tell all of you there is no looking back. There is no going back to what it was in 2019 or 2020. We have to think. We have to have an attitude change as the Hon. Speaker mentioned. If we do that then this country will have a future, otherwise this will become another Lebanon. This is the stark choice before you. Whether we like it or not, we have no choices in the solutions. The way we have gone, has left us only one path.

I need not tell you how bad the economy is. At one time just as I became the Minister of Finance, I found that I was richer than the Republic of Sri Lanka as far as foreign exchange was concerned. Most of you were. Because, on that day we had nothing and I had US\$

with India and others will follow. The more difficult issue is how do you deal with private creditors? The money that is invested is not all by multi-billionaires. Lots of money is from the Pension Funds and from other earnings, from banks and a haircut means that those pensioners have to take a dock.

We know the situation where we are in, where the EPF today is worth half of what it was three years ago. So will they take that cut? That is what we have to decide. Once we have done that we have to increase revenue, the State Corporations cannot run at a loss, so we got caught up on subsidization they did earlier. We have to increase taxes and the banks will be very uncertain. There will be bankruptcies and the small and medium enterprises affected. That we have to face and the government is preparing measures for that. But let's ensure that this is only for a short term and not even for the medium term. To do so we must at the same time look at our stabilization. If we move fast then this would be a short period, if we still keep arguing, then we are all going to suffer. So you have to change this model. Firstly we have to pay a large amount of foreign debts. So we have to become an export oriented economy, in which we keep earning more and more foreign exchange. To do that we have to become a more competitive State sector and private sector.

We have to transform into a highly competitive export oriented economy. There is no other way out. We are a country with 22 million people. We have to find markets outside. We have to compete with other countries. We have to look at new markets. The only way out is through trade integration. There is no other way. Either bilateral free trade agreements or regional trade agreements, which is more for South-East Asia and East Asia. But we have to do this within our own region by 2050. Going from Saudi Arabia to Indonesia there will be an additional 500 million people, maybe more. That is a big market. So we are having a market at our doorstep. I know that you have had many arguments with us

in politics both inside the Parliament and outside.

How are we going to restructure the whole system? Firstly, let's have the 22nd Amendment and pass it. The Minister is handling that and I am all for it. Then, we are trying to make the Parliament into a Government by having Oversight Committees, by having a National Council. The Oversight Committees have only members of Parliament but they can invite 5 youth representatives, who can ask questions from the parties with the permission of the Chairman. While they cannot write into the report, they have the right to put an addendum to the report as to their views.

So that is far reaching. No other country in the world has allowed the Oversight Committees for young people to participate. So we have to make a success of it, other Committees that are about five Committees covering Public Finance, the COPE, Committee on Public Accounts, we'll look at ways and means committee, Committee on Banks and Financial Services, Committee on restructuring of State owned Enterprises. So they have to work together with the government. Parliament becomes the government. They become part of the Government and with us willing some other members of the committees to come for Cabinet meetings. The National Council which will consist of all the party leaders to see where we can reach consensus and try to reach a common minimum programme.

We also have to think of our electoral procedures. The Preference vote system has caused a lot of damage to the voting system. In this Parliament we must have the capability of coming up with a new system. We cannot be passing it on to others. The baby is ours and if we take it we've got to carry it. And if possible, from there go in for a new Constitution.

But there is much more. So Parliament is a large amount of legislation because climate change alone will take a few months for the legislation to pass. However, Parliament can't do all these, so we thought we would ask the country. Former Speaker Hon. Karu Jayas-

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32ND ANNIVERSARY OF KATTANKUDY MOSQUE MASSACRE

NADIRA GUNATILLEKE

The blood of our Muslim brothers had been shed in this precious land 32 years ago. Unfortunately, even after 32 years, some evil politicians are still trying to deceive the Muslim community because they have their hidden private hidden agendas which they try hard to achieve using the Muslim community. But by now it is very hard for them to deceive the Muslim community. It is good to remember the history in order to make better choices in the future.

The Kattankudy Mosque Massacre was the killing of around 150 Muslim men and boys on August 3, 1990. Around 30 armed LTTE Terrorists raided four mosques in Kattankudy where over 300 people were prostrating in Isha Prayers. It was not Sinhalese or anyone else who killed them. It was the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE).

On August 3, around 30 heavily armed LTTE terrorists crossed a lagoon and entered the town of Kattankudy. An LTTE tax collector, Ranjith Appah, had visited the house of Jinnah Hadjaar, where LTTE gunmen shot his son-in-law dead. At around 8.10 p.m., the rebels entered the Meer Jumma Masjid, Hussainiya, Masjid-Jul-Noor and Fowzie Mosques, where hundreds of devotees were attending Friday Isha Prayers. The persons were disguised as Muslims to avoid suspicion.

As the civilians knelt in prayer when the LTTE terrorists attacked them, spraying automatic fire and hurling hand grenades at the worshippers. Most of the victims were shot in the back or side. The LTTE terrorists fled as Sri Lankan soldiers, notified of the ongoing massacre, arrived at the scene. Initial report put the death toll at around



Kattankudy Mosque killings.

140, but as many of the injured who were rushed to hospital succumbed to their injuries, the final death toll rose to over 150.

Harrowing eyewitness accounts appeared in the international press over the next few days. Speaking to foreign media a 40-year-old Muslim businessman said "I was kneeling down and praying when the LTTE terrorists started shooting. The firing went on for 15 minutes. I escaped without being hit and

found myself among bodies all over the place." Another eye witness, a 17-year-old Muslim student who also survived the massacre told the foreign media "Before I escaped from a side door and scaled a wall, I saw a LTTE terrorist put a gun into the mouth of a small Muslim boy and pull the trigger."

Sri Lanka Air Force helicopters rushed the injured to hospitals for urgent treatment. They continued to ferry the injured to hospitals



One of the mosques attacked by the LTTE in Kattankudy.

throughout the next morning. Soon after the massacre, Government troops launched an operation in the area to capture the killers. One of the helicopters involved in the search shot at two boat loads of LTTE terrorists off the sea at Kattankudy. They were believed to be fleeing to India following the massacre.

The incident was the worst massacre of civilians since the resump-

tion the conflict. All the victims were buried in a cemetery at the Meer Jumma Mosque, where mourners dug a long common grave for a row of coffins. The LTTE denied the responsibility and alleged that it was done by then (1990) Government to get arms from the Islamic countries. The common graves dugged by people of some foreign countries during this COVID-19 period remind us

our bitter past where no one had courage to speak even a word against the LTTE or then Government.

The LTTE hacked to death a large number of civilians belonging to all ethnicities and religions who lived in the North and East. The villages located adjoining to the areas held by the LTTE. Those villages were called 'Border Villages'. The people lived in those border villages left their homes at night and spent the night in thick jungles and tree tops in order to protect their lives from the LTTE. But some such as elderly, sick, disabled, infants, pregnant mothers etc. could not do it.

The LTTE cadres came at night and hacked them to death. They died in a very painful way after suffering for hours without being able to get help from outside. Buddhist Bhikkus who lived in those border villages did not leave their temples because of the innocent poor people. They stayed back and faced the brutality of the LTTE while protecting people belonging to all ethnicities and priceless historical archeological sites which provided concrete proof to the real Sri Lankan history. The LTTE tried its best to fabricate a new Sri Lankan history in order to help their claim for the lands but the ancient historical archeological sites stood against providing evidence for the true Sri Lankan history.

The brutal terrorism of the LTTE ended on May 18 in 2009 by the heroic Armed Forces of Mother Lanka after sacrificing over 26,000 precious young lives. Several war heroes became permanently disabled.

The bloodshed by them in order to protect innocent poor Sri Lankan people and motherland was underestimated time to time after 2015. Some of them were imprisoned for saving the Motherland and people's lives. Sri Lankan people will remember Kattankudy forever with the year of 1990.



GAS



People can now buy their cooking gas without waiting in queues. Picture by Sulochana Gamage

ISHARA JAYAWARDANE

What we as Sri Lankans have experienced during the last few months of 2022 can be described in one word - *Unprecedented*. We went through a deep economic crisis resulting in huge shortages of fuel and gas. We also had disruptive power cuts of long duration. Without fuel, economic activity in almost every sector of the country has been drastically affected.

This was up until a month ago. Apparently miracles do happen and prayers to the universe are answered! As far as gas is concerned, not only has there been a light at the end of the tunnel, but we seem to have come out of the tunnel. Today in Sri Lanka, it seems that the gas situation has returned to normalcy! *Daily News* spoke to a cross section of the public, to find out how they coped with the gas situation in the country.

SHORTAGE, A THING OF THE PAST

PEOPLE VOICE THEIR BITTER EXPERIENCES

SHAKEEL ISMATH, pointed out that he thinks that the suppliers didn't provide the gas even though there were enough stocks in hand. They hoarded the stock to increase the price. We were completely exploited says Ismath, who went on to say that we can't predict what may happen in the future and only time will tell.

"When the crisis began, we did not anticipate a shortage of gas, like most people. It was only a few days later when we realized that there was a shortage, creating a huge demand for gas. We used the gas which was available only for frying purposes. For the cooking of vegetables and rice we used the rice cooker. The electric kettle was used to boil the water. Soon, we shifted to electronic cooking devices. You can imagine the electricity bills! It was three times more than the previous month's. Before we moved to electric devices, we depended on fast food for our breakfast, lunch and dinner. But when that became too expensive we relied on electric devices. However, even electronic devices could not be used during power cuts leaving us completely helpless. It was a time consuming process to get a cylinder. I gave up the idea of getting the cylinder standing in line, because I



Damage caused by gas explosion.

was forced to neglect most of my other work. After three months we got a cylinder last week without having to stand in a queue. I think rather than complaining about the politicians and the system, we should think of finding alternatives," said Ismath.

PIYUMI (real name withheld), pointed out that her family had to innovate in order to cope with the gas shortage.

"Since we live in a one story house with a back garden, we were able to make a hearth and cook during the gas shortage. It was tremendously bothersome for my

parents because we have a lot of pets who need food, and the time spent cooking with the hearth smoke increased day-by-day. My parents, not me, did the cooking, so they had to stay in the smoke for so long. However, my grandmother lives in an apartment complex where they cannot set up anything outside; therefore, they had to pay outsiders to stand in the queue. She and her caretaker are very old, and so are my parents," she said.

CHALAKA EPASINGHE,

pointed out that it was a nation-wide crisis, and we all suffered together when it came to the shortage of gas.

"Well at the beginning, we had to stay in gas queues for as many as seven hours or even longer to get a refill. As the crisis worsened, we had to use alternative methods such as firewood for cooking. I would say that it did drastically affect the quality of life. Having to spend more than 1/3 of the day wasting your time was really a bad sign. Especially, it affected the productivity as well as you were basically too tired to work the rest of the day. As time passed, I guess we managed to adapt to the situation as this was a nation-wide crisis and people

understood how it took its toll on people's everyday lives," he said.

ANURA was very critical of the way the country is being governed. He said:

"People have forgotten the worse times of the gas shortage. There were gas explosions in several houses and restaurants resulting in a couple of deaths. The explosions were due to the change of the composition of chemicals. They were not even compensated by the government. This sort of arbitrary actions should never be allowed."

MRS. RENUKA, A MOTHER AND A HOUSEWIFE, immediately looked at other alternative ways she could resort to, in order to mitigate this issue at least temporarily.

"The shortage of gas was a huge issue that we initially had to deal with as soon as the economic crisis hit, along with all the other challenges that were posed. The sufficient supply was not available. I was required to stay for long hours sacrificing the time which was not something I could afford to do with the children at home.

As a result of the shortage of gas, I had to cut down on the number of dishes that I prepared on a daily basis (given that the food

prices were also skyrocketing, had to be extra cautious when it came to the monthly expenditure.) Therefore, I shifted to using a "dara lipa" - the wood stove as it was difficult to rely on the gas supply anymore. However, comparatively, it was a less time-efficient option, it demanded extra effort as well. On the other hand, finding kerosene was also seemingly challenging amid the fuel crisis. So, all in all, gas shortage did have a considerable impact on the quality of life we used to maintain," she said.

She feels that the situation now has significantly improved as the availability of gas has begun to increase day-by-day.

"It's a relief that we do not have to wait in long queues as we used to before, and the price reduction also has made people hopeful. Somehow, I still continue to take forward the alternative practices like the reduced number of dishes options, using the wooden stove for some dishes etc. However, based on the experiences during the peak of the economic crisis, I think we should learn to invest in sustainable energy options for the future of Sri Lanka without solely being dependent on the currently available gas supply or the energy sources that are currently in use, to ensure that we do have a back-up plan in case if we have to face similar challenges again in the future."

New counter to facilitate worker passports

Labour and Foreign Employment Minister Manusha Nanayakkara yesterday said that a special counter will be opened at the Immigration and Emigration Department to issue passports from next Monday for workers who are expecting to go abroad for work.

Those who want a new passport have to wait for almost two months

due to the congestion at the Immigration and Emigration Department. As the workers who are expecting emergency foreign travel are in a great inconvenience, steps have been taken to open this counter based on a special request from the Immigration and Emigration Controller.

As the workers who are expecting emergency foreign travel are put to

great inconvenience, steps have been taken to open this special window according to a special request from the Immigration and Emigration Controller.

Individuals travelling abroad are facilitated to get new passport quickly through this window after submitting a letter from the Foreign Employment Bureau (FEB) along with other documents.

Opposition Leader baffled with Cabinet Paper for benefits to 5 MPs

Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa alleged yesterday (17) that a particular Cabinet Paper that has provided certain benefits and facilities to five MPs should be considered an irregularity.

Premadasa pointed out that the said Cabinet Paper has proposed to provide five MPs with fuel and transport facilities for a few more months.

Premadasa accused that the said facilities were initially given to them as incentives to vote at the election for a

succeeding President. With the Cabinet paper, the facilities have been extended, Premadasa explained.

The Opposition Leader criticised the government for taking such steps when people of the country are suffering from an economic crisis.

Premadasa made these observations at the Opposition Leader's Office.

Premadasa also accused the government of auctioning MPs in the guise of forming an All-Party Government.



Agrarian Development Centres digitalization launched

The World Bank assists the government to upgrade the present status of the Agrarian Development Centers in to a one-stop service center which could provide more efficient services to the farmers to become resilient to the changing climate. The conversion program is implemented as a part and parcel of the ongoing World Bank funded climate Smart Irrigated Agriculture project. The CSIAP is in progress in eleven districts namely Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa, Kurunegala, Puttalam, Kilinochchi, Mullaitivu, Trincomalee, Batticaloa, Ampara, Moneragala and Hambantota. The cost of the project which addresses the challenges of building synergies among climate change mitigation, adaption and food crops production minimizing the farmers' potential negative trade off. The cost of the project is around US\$ 250 million.

The Agrarian Development Department under the auspices of the CSIAP at the first stage of implementation process concerning the Agrarian Development Centers plans to pilot this sub-project in two Agrarian Development centers namely Parangiyawadiya located in Horowpothana Divisional Secretariat Division in Anuradhapura district and Weerawila ADC located in Lunugamvehera Divisional Secretariat Division in Hambantota district.

A spokesman of the CSIAP told "Daily News" that it is planned to pilot a digitalization process in the two selected Agrarian Development Centers with appropriate communication equipment and tools. This will enable the two centers to perform as attractive and productive one-stop service centers before the end of 2022 to consider those as exemplary centers for expanding one-stop model digitalization process in to other Agrarian Development Centers.

UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework launched

The United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) 2023-2027 was launched yesterday by the Government of Sri Lanka and the United Nations in Sri Lanka.

The Cooperation Framework will guide the work of UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes for the next five years (2023-2027)

The UNSDCF is the Framework that guides the work of all the UN Agencies in Sri Lanka and articulates the collective vision and contribution of the United Nations to support Sri Lanka to accelerate actions towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Cooperation Framework gives primacy to accelerating actions to ensure a rapid recovery from the economic crisis along with the impact of COVID-

19, prioritising support to revitalise the economy and economic activities, social services, decent employment, social cohesion, and health and well-being for all people in Sri Lanka. The UNSDCF was co-signed by the Secretary to the Treasury Mahinda Siriwardana on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka and UN Resident Coordinator in Sri Lanka Hanaa Singer-Hamdy on behalf of the United Nations.

Heads of UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes in Sri Lanka also signed the Cooperation Framework. The signing ceremony

hosted at the Ministry of Finance was also attended by Secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Aruni Wijewardane and the Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific of the UN Development Coordination Office, David McLachlan-Karr.



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Time for hard decisions

According to a media report quoting a website reporting on Sri Lanka's State finances, 52 State enterprises had suffered losses totaling a staggering Rs.860 billion in the first quarter alone in 2022 compared to the Rs.86 billion total losses for the entire year in 2021. The Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) is the biggest culprit. The CPC had incurred losses to the tune of 628 billion in the first quarter of this year representing 73 percent of the total loss of the 52 loss-making State bodies. The National Carrier comes in a close second with its share of the loss in the first quarter of this year alone standing at Rs. 248 billion while the loss suffered in the whole of 2021 amounted to Rs. 171 billion. The inflated losses this year have been attributed to the plunge taken by the rupee against the dollar.

However, to anyone familiar with the functioning of these institutions, their loss making history goes down the decades since the time State institutions became politicized, leading to massive corruption, mismanagement and financial profligacy. Needless to say, a sizable portion of the losses could be directly blamed on the massive over-staffing of State bodies with supporters of ruling party politicians, which represented unproductive labour. All Governments must share the blame for this state of affairs. The situation became worse under the Yahaplanaya. While, prior to that, only supporters of ruling party politicians were given jobs, here we had a situation where both main political parties ruled in harness, with State enterprises being liberally stuffed with the *golayas* of both sides. An incident at the CPC during the 52 day illegal Government bore this out in stark fashion when a security officer of the ousted Petroleum Minister Arjuna Ranatunga opened fire to protect the minister from a rampaging mob. The next moment swarms of workers like bees from a disturbed hive emerged out of the woodwork to join in the melee. This just went on to demonstrate how scarce financial resources of the State were being squandered to fill Government Departments and Corporations with political hands, with all Governments taking turns to do the honours. The result is now all there for all to savour. The Government and the public are now stuck with white elephants which are bleeding the economy.

This *status quo* needs to be changed and changed drastically. The country is no longer in a position to bear such gargantuan losses incurred by its State Organisations through political expediency and crass mismanagement. All loss making State enterprises should be divested to make them viable institutions. One of President Ranil Wickremesinghe's initial decisions when he was appointed Prime Minister was to privatize the National Carrier. Now that he is the Head of State, no less, this decision should be taken to its logical conclusion. The record of the National Carrier needs no repetition. Suffice to say that it was run to the ground and turned into a financial black-hole with the appointment of family members of the then ruling clan with no inkling on the subject of aviation and clueless as to financial management, at the helm of affairs.

A similar course should be followed with all loss making State ventures. Trade Unions should not be allowed to call the shots. The country is placed in its most decisive phase of its post-Independence history today and our survival as a nation will depend on the type of decisions made and how our leaders handle the economic crisis. The public cannot be made to go on subsidizing loss making State ventures indefinitely. It is time for hard decisions to be made keeping in mind the nation's future. If the only option available is privatization, so be it. The country's economic future should take precedence over Trade Unions' demands and their sentimental attachment to State sector organisations. Even Socialist countries such as China and Russia have not allowed their political ideologies to stand in the way of promoting private enterprise, knowing this is the only way forward. In fact it was the roadblocks placed by the SLFP partners in the Yahapalanaya that prevented the Neo Liberal and market-oriented UNP from taking forward its sound programmes for building the economy. Had the bilateral trade agreements with countries such as the US, Japan and Singapore allowed to be inked, we would certainly not be in the economic mess we are in today. At the time, the SLFP feared it would lose its vote base by being party to policies that were against what the blues stood for. However, this is not a time to consider ideologies. All available options should be tried out to get the country out of the present mire. The Opposition too has a huge role to play in this connection. Ideally it should accept the invitation of President Wickremesinghe to join an All Party arrangement, for the sake of the country. Political brinkmanship is the last thing the country needs today.

Steady moves towards forming an APG

The new Government of President Ranil Wickremesinghe is slowly but steadily being set up as the President navigates the challenge of governing with the support of Parliamentarians who have historically been opposed to him and an Opposition that is reluctant to co-operate wholeheartedly.

It has been President Wickremesinghe's intention to broad-base the Government as much as possible. With this objective, the President held a series of meetings with most political parties. Almost all parties which were invited participated with the exception of the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP).

Among the parties that attended were the Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB), the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP), the group of parties led by MPs Wimal Weerawansa, Vasudeva Nanayakkara and Udaya Gammanpila, the Tamil National Alliance (TNA) and the 'Group of 43' led by former Minister Patali Champika Ranawaka.

The president is also known to be maintaining a dialogue with the Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP) which retains a comfortable majority in Parliament. The vast majority of Parliamentarians in the present Cabinet, entered Parliament as candidates of the SLPP at the General Election in 2020.

In these discussions, the President has been re-iterating the same theme. He has cited the grave economic crisis the country finds itself in and urged that political parties should cast aside their differences of opinion and in policy. They should work together at least for a short period, he has said.

This request, repeated without discrimination to all attending parties, had a mixed response. The SLPP is understandably satisfied with the present arrangement where its stalwarts hold all key Ministerial posts but recognise that they may need to accommodate others if an All-Party Government (APG) is formed.

The SLFP led by former President Maithripala Sirisena has been ambivalent about its stance. Some Members are keen to join the Government and obtain Ministerial positions. Others however, including Sirisena and the Party's General Secretary Dayasiri Jayasekara are sceptical about this prospect.

Ministerial Portfolios

A similar situation exists in the SJB. Party Leader Sajith Premadasa has been strongly opposed to the SJB MPs obtaining Ministerial Portfolios. However, speculation is rife that others are very eager to do so and may defy the party leader's decision. The SJB leadership is naturally quite anxious about such a fallout.

SJB and Opposition Leader Premadasa has proposed that its MPs should contribute to the Government or an APG by accepting positions in the Parliamentary Committees that will be set up for various Ministries, with significant powers of oversight and monitoring. The President has also agreed in principle to this concept.

In a related move, Opposition parties nominated Eran Wickramaratne as Chairman of the Committee on



President Ranil Wickremesinghe met the Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB) group led by Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa to discuss the formation of an All-Party Government recently.

Hindsight

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Public Enterprises (COPE) and Kabir Hashim as Chairman of the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA). These positions became vacant with the recent prorogation of Parliament by the President.

Whether Wickramaratne and Hashim will be appointed to these posts remains to be seen although there has been a tradition of nominating Opposition MPs for such posts. The Opposition has requested that this tradition be continued. The final decision will rest with Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena.

There has also been much speculation about SJB Parliamentarian Dr. Harsha de Silva. An economist by profession, there have been suggestions that he will be invited to be the Minister of Finance. However, in a speech in Parliament last week, Dr. De Silva said he will abide by the Party decision.

Challenges to SJB Leadership

Another MP causing challenges for the SJB leadership is Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka. In his public speeches, FM Fonseka has been vocal in his support of those involved with the protests at Galle Face. He has been extremely critical of the recent arrests of suspects alleged to have abused public property.

Two weeks ago in Parliament, Fonseka raised eyebrows when he urged the public to engage in what he called the 'final struggle' on August 9. This is with reference to resignations of former Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa and MP Basil Rajapaksa on May 9 and June 9 respectively and the departure of former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa on July 9 following the massive protests on that day.

Fortunately, there were no onward incidents or large-scale unrest on August 9. In anticipation however, the Police and the Armed Forces were given instructions to be ready to deal with any unruly behaviour.

The lack of an adequate response has left Field Marshal Fonseka politically embarrassed.

The response of the group of ten political parties to President Wickremesinghe has been mostly positive. As articulated by MP Wimal

Weerawansa, the party subscribes to the view that, even though these parties are ideologically opposed to the President, he needs their support at this critical time.

The Tamil National Alliance (TNA) is known to have raised issues pertaining to the Tamil population and the North and the East in their talks with President Wickremesinghe. They are likely to be supportive of the President although whether they will accept Ministerial positions remains unclear at present.

In a related development, the Government lifted the ban placed on several Tamil Diaspora groups this week. This was done through an Extraordinary Gazette issued by the Defence Ministry. Among those having their bans lifted within the territory of Sri Lanka are the Global Tamil Forum (GTF), British Tamil Forum (BTF) and the Canadian Tamil Congress (CTC).

Another matter receiving the President's attention was a potential Presidential Pardon for former SJB Parliamentarian and popular actor Ranjan Ramanayake who is serving a four-year sentence for Contempt of Court for remarks he made against the Judiciary in 2017, claiming that the majority of Judges in the country were corrupt.

Justice Minister Dr. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe has publicly said that Ramanayake deserves a pardon. If the pardon does eventuate, it will be similar to the pardon granted to Ven. Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thera by former President Sirisena. Ven. Gnanasara Thera was also jailed for the same offence as Ramanayake.

Ramanayake is not the first politician to be convicted for Contempt of Court and spend time in prison. Former Minister S. B. Dissanayake also suffered the same fate in 2004 and served a prison sentence. He was released following a pardon granted by Mahinda Rajapaksa when he became President in 2005.

It has been reported that Rama-

nayake has submitted a document to the President requesting a pardon which may occur in the next few weeks. If Ramanayake is indeed granted a pardon by President Wickremesinghe and is released from prison, it will create many interesting political possibilities.

Tourism Minister Harin Fernando, while he was a leading stalwart of the SJB, promised to resign from his National List seat in Parliament to make way for Ramanayake to return to Parliament, if the latter was released. He also promised to wear a black shawl until Ramanayake was released.

Minister Fernando has since had a change of loyalties. Along with Manusha Nanayakkara, he joined the Cabinet and accepted Ministerial portfolios while Gotabaya Rajapaksa was still President. Whether he will keep his pledge should Ramanayake be released from prison is a question that is being asked now in political and media circles.

Former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa was also in the news recently. That was after he left Singapore, where he had spent most of his time since leaving Sri Lanka, for Thailand. This ended speculation that the former President was due to return to Sri Lanka when his visa to remain in Singapore expired.

It is known that there was a dialogue between Sri Lanka and Thailand at the highest levels of Government to facilitate former President Rajapaksa's entry to Thailand. Previously, President Wickremesinghe had publicly said the time was not right for Rajapaksa to return.

The Government-to-Government facilitation enabled the grant of a three-month visa to former President Rajapaksa in Thailand. However, he has been advised to limit his movements in that country and confine himself to his hotel. This is following an assessment of his security needs.

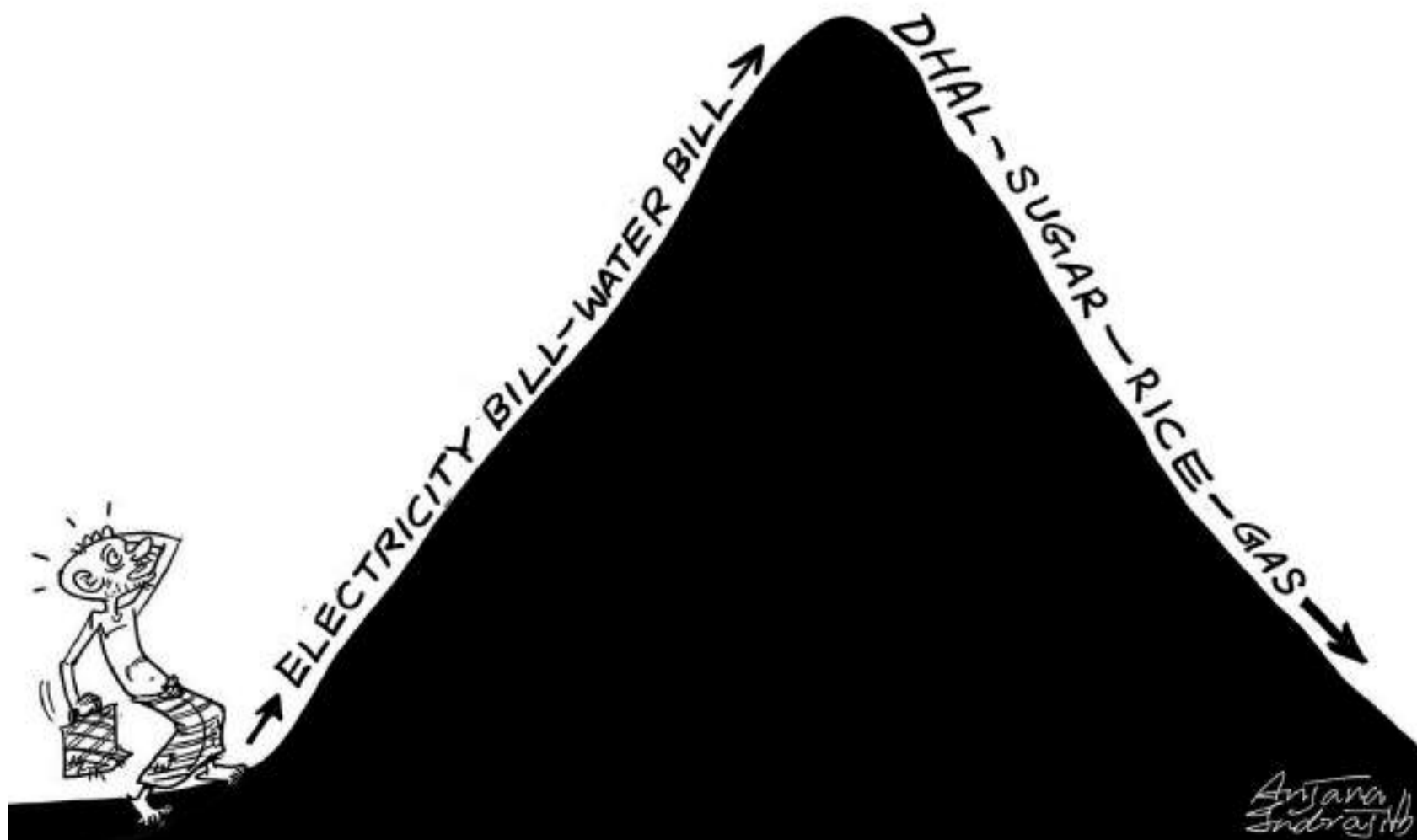
There has been some discussion, especially within the SLPP, that the former President should play an active role in politics upon his return to Sri Lanka. They wanted this to occur in late 2022. However, the former President has indicated that he would prefer a quiet retirement, away from politics.

Constitutional Amendments

The coming weeks will be politically interesting as the return of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution in the form of the proposed 22nd Amendment has been signalled by President Ranil Wickremesinghe. The President has proposed to cede some of his Executive Powers to Parliament.

The Opposition will readily endorse this Amendment. The SLPP stance has however not been made public yet. As the SLPP still commands a comfortable majority in Parliament, the Amendment will not become a reality unless the party supports it because it requires a two-thirds majority to become law.

On assuming office as the eighth Executive President, Ranil Wickremesinghe promised an APG. He has been steadily working towards this objective. The next few weeks will be critical. It will tell the nation whether this will become a reality or remain an elusive goal for the President.



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

You control your own wins and losses. - Maria Sharapova

Procedure for blacklisting and delisting of persons and organisations under UNSC 1373

A committee consisting of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Attorney General's Department, intelligence agencies, law enforcement agencies and the Financial Intelligence Unit of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, in accordance with the relevant orders of the competent authority, conducted a study on the activities of individuals and organisations involved in providing financial support to terrorism in the past few years and the listing or delisting is done based on evidence, the President Media Division said.

The press communiqué said: An explanation regarding the background and previous conditions for the methodology to be implemented regarding the amendments made to the list of persons named under the order 04(7) of the United Nations Directive No. 01 of 2012 mentioned in the Gazette Notification 2291/02 dated 2022-08-01, which has led to controversy in society in recent days, is given below.

Background

On 28th September 2001, the UN Security Council, operating under Chapter VII of the UN Charter, unanimously adopted UNSC Resolution 1373.

It has assigned a series of responsibilities aimed at combating terrorism to its member states. Accordingly, the Special Gazette No. 1758/19 dated May 15, 2012 has been issued by the Democratic Socialist Republic

Gazette No	Issued date	Number of persons		Number of institutions	
		Named	Removed	Named	Removed
1854/41	21/03/2014	424	-	16	-
1941/44	20/11/2015	155	269	08	8
1992/25	09/11/2016	86	69	08	-
2016/18	20/06/2018	100	-	08	-
2124/32	23/05/2019	125	-	11	-
2140/16	09/09/2019	188	-	11	-
2216/37	28/02/2021	577	-	18	-
2291/02	01/08/2022	316	316	15	6

of Sri Lanka to deal primarily with the financing of terrorism under UN Directive No. 01 of 2012.

Process

In order to implement the above orders in Sri Lanka, the subject minister, who is the Minister of Foreign Affairs, has liaised with the Minister in charge of Defence and appointed the Secretary of the Ministry of Defence as the competent authority.

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relevant orders of the competent authority, conducted a study on the activities of individuals and organisations involved in providing financial support to terrorism in the past few years and the listing or delisting is done based on evidence.

Accordingly, eight formal gazettes have been published from 2014 to 01.08.2022, the details of which are given: See Table

The preliminary investigations related to Gazette 2291/02 published on 01.08.2022 was initiated in the month of March 2022 and accordingly, the terrorist or extremist organisations living in the country or outside the country and those connected to it and their related finances, assets, terrorist activities were investigated and the listing or delisting of these individuals or organisa-

tions were done based on whether or not they had direct or indirect links to extremist activities.

If an organisation or a person listed in this manner wants to file any objection in this regard, it is possible to submit an application to the competent authority and make a written request to be removed from the list along with the reasons.

The relevant departments will then report the request to the competent authority after an extensive study of information. The competent authority is then responsible for making recommendations to the minister of external affairs as to whether the person or organisation should be removed from the list.

The Minister's decision is final and aggrieved parties have the ability to challenge the decision by filing a complaint with the High Court.

Further, any person or entity affected by freezing of existing money or funds, asset freezing order or other financial assets or economic resources or other related services has the scope to complain to the High Court.

The final decision of each of these measures will be published by the competent authority through a gazette. Accordingly, 316 individuals and six organisations have been removed from the list by Gazette No. 2291/2 dated 08.01.2022 after a formal and in-depth information study based on evidence under the UN Order No. 01 of 2012.

Also, 316 individuals and 15 organisations including 55 newly identified individuals and three organisations have been listed by the above gazette.

The delisted organisations

1. Global Tamil Forum (GTF)
2. Australian Tamil Congress (ATC)
3. World Tamil Coordinating Committee (WTCC)
4. Tamil Elam Peoples Association (TEPA)
5. British Tamil Forum (BTF)
6. Canadian Tamil Congress (CTC)

The listed organisations through the gazette

1. Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)
2. Tamils Rehabilitation Organisation (TRO)
3. Tamil Coordinating Committee (TCC)
4. World Tamil Movement (WTM)
5. Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE)
6. World Tamil Relief Fund (WTRF)
7. Headquarters Group (HQ Group)
8. National Council of Canadian Tamils (NCCT)
9. Tamil Youth Organisation (TYO)
10. National Thowheed Jamath (NTJ)
11. Jamathe Millathe Ibrahim (JMI)
12. Willayath As Seylani (WAS)
13. DarulAdhar (DA)
14. Sri Lanka Islamic Student Movement (SLISM)
15. Save the Pearl

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EASING TRAFFIC CONGESTION: THE WAY FORWARD

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Road traffic congestion is a problem in many countries. The metropolitan areas especially undergo severe difficulties to normal work due to traffic congestion.

Traffic congestion is a result of the imbalance of the traffic load and related infrastructure facilities such as roads and parking. As building roads in parallel to an increase of the numbers of vehicles is not always practical and traffic experts have been experimenting with various alternatives to handle the problem. As Sri Lanka is on par with most of the technological developments in the world, implementing technically sound solutions cannot be an issue as long as the attitude and interest of decision makers and road users are also as good as in those countries.

To minimize traffic congestion either on roads, other related infrastructure facilities should be built - provided or managed efficiently to handle more traffic. The other option is to implement various techniques to reduce vehicle volume on roads.

Among the few methods available to reduce the traffic volume, promoting the public transport system is top of the list. Considering road density and the distribution of population around the country, it is not difficult to use public transport to minimise traffic congestion in Sri Lanka. According to scientific studies carried out to estimate the percentage of public transport users, year by year it is reducing. It will reduce further in the years to come due to a number of reasons.

Transport needs

Among the few reasons to keep the public away from public transport is its efficiency, safety and comfort are major reasons. Very often short distance buses drive as slow as possible to attract/collect more passengers as their main target is economical benefit rather than the requirements of passengers. Without alerting decision makers to take appropriate actions, passengers further will reduce whenever they have an alternative option.

On many routes the numbers of route



Minimising traffic congestion will save fuel.

permits issued are much higher than its requirements. Since the number of owners of those buses is also high, they have to compete with other bus owners to earn their cost harassing passengers. It is not an unknown fact rather negligence of decision makers to improve the situation.

Trains are much more effective in mass transit and it is used in many economically developed countries to meet the transport needs of the public and to reduce traffic congestion in city centres.

Recent air-conditioned compartments in long distance trains are a major attraction considering the efficiency and comfort. Anyway, one with an overseas experience will have many points/ideas to propose for further improvement.

It is a known fact that when you leave your personal vehicle in the garage and get into public transport, you lose your privacy and comfort to a certain extent. But considering the overall benefit to the country and especially critical times such as fuel crisis, even car owners may change their mode of transport if decision makers may pay attention for further improvement.

Recently, I had the opportunity to travel in the intercity train from Kandy to Colombo and return. In both journeys I reserved seats in air-conditioned cabins. Time wise it is very efficient as it took only 2.5 hours in one direction against four hours travelling on the road.

Anyway, having experience in train rides in economically developed countries I felt, there is room for improvement in those trains to provide a better facility. I was not very satisfied with the cleanliness of the cabin considering the status of it. Caterers' serving food should have paid little more attention to the service provided. Carrying food items and tea or any other drink in a cart would have been easier for them as well as cleaner and pleasant in distribution. Further, not only the service providers' even commuters should be more vigilant about the convenience and privacy of other passengers in the cabin. During my journey a passenger seated behind me was listening to music using a mobile device (maybe a mobile phone) throughout the journey. The passenger sitting next to him was talking loudly on his mobile phone. This happened frequently during the journey.

Since my plan was to attend to some work using my computer, it was not possible at all. When I mentioned this to a friend of mine, he said a family travelling in the same cabin as he was travelling seemed to have enjoyed the trip shouting and singing songs.

Different people may have different opinions for all these situations. Some countries have strict rules and regulations, where mobile phones are allowed to be used only for messaging. Talking on phones, playing loud music as well as behaving in an unruly

manner disturbing other passengers are banned.

Ticket checking staff visit cabins only once to check the ticket. I felt they should have made more frequent visits so that action can be taken against such unruly behaviour to ensure the convenience of all passengers.

Park and Ride is a major concept used in many countries to control traffic congestion in city centres and other busy areas. It was an idea introduced to the Sri Lankan transport system a few years ago. Though Park and Ride operate efficiently and effectively in other countries, the authorities should pay attention to other auxiliary facilities of requirements to achieve a higher efficiency. Considering the country's culture and attitude and commitment of people, vehicle owners are not very comfortable to leave the vehicle in an unknown - distant place for long periods.

In addition, after leaving the private vehicle at a certain place and having to travel by a common mode transport to the office becomes an issue as still there are no proper taxi services available in many city centres. Therefore, it is very important to pay attention to all the related issues also when new systems are introduced. Whether it is allowed or not, many parents go out to pick up their children from school.

Most railway stations have ample space to allow commuters to park their vehicles and travel in trains. Action should be initiated to remove unwanted passengers to provide such benefits for train commuters. Even the access roads to railway stations - mainly minor stations are illegally encroached by various groups making those access roads unsafe for females to travel especially at odd hours. More attention should also be paid to providing clean toilets and seating, if the Government is more interested in attracting public to mass transit modes.

Carpooling or car sharing are other concepts used by many groups to reduce vehicle numbers adding to traffic congestion. A group of people having common origin and

destination can pool their vehicle resources and take turns to drive to their destination and back with others of the group. When implementing such a method, everybody should agree to compromise their privacy and comfort to a certain extent in order to minimize the inconvenience caused to others. It may be punctuality, commitment, clear communication as well as using strong perfumes and other attachments. Anyway, those who start and practice will find it more enjoyable than going alone in a vehicle. The same concept can be used by parents whose children are going to the same school to take turns to provide transport facilities for their children. It will be cleaner, safer and easier as the cost and stress on parents would be reduced.

Points to ponder

Some countries provide a special lane for vehicles with more than one passenger in a vehicle. Therefore, car sharing and carpooling will help to a great extent. Controlling vehicles entering congested areas based on number plates is another method adopted by some countries. Concepts such as banning material transporting vehicles during peak hours and implementing congestion tax during peak hours at city centres are some concepts practiced in other countries.

Anyway, in all these methods drivers found escape routes to fool the law enforcing authorities. When the rule was implemented based on the number of passengers in the vehicle - some drivers used devious methods such as using dolls in the front seats of their vehicles to fool the law. Later, some drivers used dolls with the faces of famous celebrities and were caught by the Police when two drivers used dolls of the same celebrity driving close to each other.

In some countries, it provided an opportunity for youth to earn extra money, by standing by the road side and observing vehicles flouting the passenger law. It was cheaper for drivers than paying the tax. When the entry was controlled based on the number plate, economically stable people invested in an extra vehicle with a different number plate category and others used fake number plates.

In all these it is important to understand the amount of human involvement in traffic related issues.

It is much more complicated than a layman thinks. People are either intelligent enough to break any rule or enjoy doing so.

In many economically developed countries, the opinions and proposals of experts are sought to handle problems in the respective countries. When professionals provide advice, politicians interfere with them by trying to convince the public. In countries like ours, most people look for personal benefits and advantages, not worrying about the negative impacts these short-sighted decisions have on society.

Since Sri Lanka also has access to the latest technology, the practices adopted in economically developed countries should be adopted among professionals to handle issues of society. Therefore, it is also important to find out the reasons for the delay in decision making to improve conditions in the country. It is high time for us also to develop that mutual relationship, understanding and respect between professionals and politicians that would benefit society.

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Developing road infrastructure.

Putin predicts end to 'unipolar' world

RUSSIA: Russian President Vladimir Putin accused the United States of trying to encourage extended hostilities in Ukraine as part of what he described Tuesday as Washington's alleged efforts to maintain its global hegemony.

Addressing a security conference attended by military officials from Africa, Asia and Latin America, Putin reaffirmed his long-held claim that he sent troops into Ukraine in response to Washington turning the country into an "anti-Russia" bulwark.

"They need conflicts to retain their hegemony," Putin charged. "That's why they have turned the Ukrainian people into cannon fodder. The situation in Ukraine shows that the United States is trying to drag the conflict out, and it acts in exactly the same way trying to fuel conflicts in Asia, Africa and Latin America."

The speech represented the latest attempt by the Russian President to rally support amid bruising Western sanctions that targeted the Russian economy and finance along with its Government structures, top officials

and businesses for Moscow's action in Ukraine.

The Russian leader claimed that "Western globalist elites" were trying "to shift the blame for their own failures to Russia and China," adding that "no matter how hard the beneficiaries of the current globalist model try to cling to it, it's doomed." "The era of the unipolar world order is nearing its end," Putin added.

Speaking at the same conference, Russian Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu charged that along with supplies of weapons to Ukraine, Western allies also have provided detailed intelligence information and deployed instructors to help the Ukrainian military operate the weapons systems.

"Western intelligence agencies not only have provided target coordinates for launching strikes, but Western specialists also have overseen the input of those data into weapons systems," Shoigu said.

He dismissed allegations that Russia could potentially use nuclear or chemical weapons in the conflict as an "absolute lie."

- ARAB NEWS



Russia's President Vladimir Putin and Russian Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu attend the opening of the Army 2022 International Military and Technical Forum in the Patriot Park outside Moscow, Russia on Monday.

Gandhi, Nehru inspired others about democracy - New York Governor

US: Indian leaders like Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru inspired others, including Dr. Martin Luther King, about democracy and non-violence, New York State Governor Kathy Hochul said on Tuesday underlining that the values of inclusion, pluralism, equality, freedom of speech and of religion bind India and the US together.

Addressing members of the Indian-American community at the Queens Museum during an event to celebrate the Indian Independence Day, Hochul said India and the US stand firm with that same shared understanding of what it's like to reject colonial rule.

"This marks 75 years since India freed itself from the colonial yoke and people were able to start on that path toward true democracy," Hochul said.

Hochul added that we also learn from celebrating the many languages and the religions. By the 1.2 billion people, but it's also a statement of a community rising up, a world rising up.

"And leaders who inspired others, like Gandhi and Nehru. Those are names we do learn about in our schools, about what struggle means and about the peaceful embrace of democracy, about non violence, and those are words that are still spoken about today. Dr. King was frequently quoting these great Indian leaders who inspired him to learn what non violence was all about," she said. - NDTV



Kathy Hochul

Pakistan facing economic crisis - Prime Minister Sharif

PAKISTAN: Pakistan was once widely thought to become the next "Asian tiger", but has found itself mired in financial crisis, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has said, citing three critical structural flaws that have prevented its economic take-off, stunted its growth and led to repeated boom-bust cycles.

He said the nation was widely thought ready to "become the next Asian tiger". However, in 2022, Pakistan found itself mired in its latest economic crisis, the Geo News reported on Monday.

"But it also stems from home-grown weaknesses: weaknesses that have been left unaddressed for the better part of five decades; weaknesses that have forced us to approach the International Monetary Fund (IMF) multiple times during that time. This is not how successful nations are built," he said.

On the occasion of Pakistan's Diamond Jubilee, Sharif said that as the country turned 75, the moment merits serious introspection.

He said that the fifth-largest country in the world, where two out of every three people are below the age of 30 and full of aspirations, finds itself stuck with an income level of just USD 1,798. - NDTV



PM Shehbaz Sharif

Monkeypox can spread to pet dogs, say doctors

WHO turns to public for Monkeypox name change

US: Health officials are warning people who are infected with Monkeypox to stay away from household pets, since the animals could be at risk of catching the virus.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for months has had the advice



in place as Monkeypox spreads in the U.S. But it gained new attention after a report from France, published last week in the medical journal *Lancet*, about an Italian greyhound that caught the virus. The dog belongs to a couple who said they sleep alongside the animal.

Monkeypox infections have been detected in rodents and other wild animals, which can spread the virus to humans. But the authors called it the first report of Monkeypox infection in a domesticated animal like a dog or cat.

Pets that come in close contact with a symptomatic person should be kept at home and away from other animals and people for 21 days after the most recent contact, the CDC advises.

Meanwhile, the World Health Organi-

sation (WHO), which is looking to rename Monkeypox, called on Tuesday for help from the public in coming up with a less stigmatising designation for the fast-spreading disease.

The UN health agency has for weeks voiced concern about the name of the disease that emerged onto the global stage in May.

Monkeypox received its name because the virus was originally identified in monkeys kept for research in Denmark in 1958, but the disease is found in a number of animals, and most frequently in rodents. The disease was first discovered in humans in 1970 in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

- THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

Toddler kills snake that bit her by biting it back

TURKEY: A two-year-old girl responded to a snake biting her lip by biting it back and killing the reptile, according to a report in *news.com.au*. The shocking incident took place in the village of Kantar, near Bingol, in Turkey, on August 10, said the outlet. Her neighbours performed first aid and rushed little girl to a children's hospital after the incident where she was placed under observation for 24 hours. She is now reported to be well and recovering, *news.com.au* further said.



The two-year-old girl is now reported to be fine and recovering from the incident.

The two-year-old, who has been identified by her initials SE, was playing in the backyard of her home when she started

screaming loudly. The neighbours immediately rushed to check the toddler and were shocked to find a bite mark on her lip and a 50-centimetre snake clamped in her mouth, according to the outlet.

The youngster managed to kill the unwanted guest in her backyard with her teeth.

"Our neighbours have told me that the snake was in the hand of my child, she was playing with it and then it bit her. Then she has bitten the snake back as a reaction," the girl's father Mehmet Ercan was quoted as saying by *news.com.au*. - NDTV

William Ruto: From chicken seller to Kenya's President-Elect

Raila Odinga rejects Ruto's victory

KENYA: William Ruto - who has been declared the winner of Kenya's heavily disputed Presidential election - had a childhood that epitomises the lives of many poor Kenyans.

He went to primary school barefoot, wearing his first pair of shoes at the age of 15. He also sold chicken and ground-



Kenya's President-Elect William Ruto



Raila Odinga

nuts by the roadside in rural areas of the Rift Valley.

So it came as no surprise that he portrayed himself as the champion of the poor as he vied for the presidency in the 9 August election. Meanwhile, Raila Odinga has rejected the results of Kenya's Presidential election saying that the figures announced on Monday were "null and void". According to the official results, Odinga narrowly lost to Deputy President William Ruto. Odinga accused the head of the electoral body of a "blatant disregard of the Constitution".

Chairman of the Electoral Body Wafula Chebukati said Odinga received 48.8% of the vote in last Tuesday's election compared to Ruto's 50.5%. - YAHOO NEWS

Space mission shows Earth's water may be from asteroids - Study



JAPAN: Water may have been brought to Earth by asteroids from the outer edges of the solar system, scientists said after analyzing rare samples collected on a six-year Japanese space mission.

In a quest to shed light on the origins of life and the formation of the universe, researchers are scrutinizing material brought back to earth in 2020 from the asteroid Ryugu.

The 5.4 grams (0.2 ounces) of rocks and dust were gathered by a Japanese space probe, called Hayabusa-2, that landed on the celestial body and fired an "impactor" into its surface.

Studies on the material are beginning to be published, and in June, one group of researchers said they had found organic material which showed that some of the

building blocks of life on Earth, amino acids, may have been formed in space.

In a new paper published in the journal *Nature Astronomy*, scientists said the Ryugu samples could give clues to the mystery of how oceans appeared on Earth billions of years ago. The scientists hypothesised that such material probably has an "outer Solar System origin", but said it was "unlikely to be the only source of volatiles delivered to the early Earth".

Hayabusa-2 was launched in 2014 on its mission to Ryugu, around 300 million kilometres away, and returned to Earth's orbit two years ago to drop off a capsule containing the sample.

In the *Nature Astronomy* study, the researchers again hailed the findings made possible by the mission. - YAHOO NEWS

IN BRIEF

75 people killed in Sudan floods

SUDAN: Flash floods triggered by heavy rains continued to tear up homes across Sudan, an official said on Tuesday, with the death toll rising to 75 since the start of the rainy season. Earlier this week, authorities had said that at least 50 people were killed since the rains started in June. - THE INDIAN EXPRESS

US First Lady tests COVID positive

US: US First Lady Jill Biden tested positive for COVID-19 and was experiencing "mild symptoms," the White House announced Tuesday. She had been vacationing with President Joe Biden in South Carolina when she began experiencing symptoms on Monday. - THE HINDUSTAN TIMES

Republican Trump critic Cheney loses seat in US Congress

US: Republican rebel Liz Cheney lost her seat in Congress Tuesday to an election conspiracy theorist, US media projected, in the latest sign of her party's break with traditional conservatism to embrace Donald Trump's headline "America First" agenda. - ARAB NEWS

Egyptian judge sentenced to death for wife's murder

EGYPT: An Egyptian court on Tuesday sentenced a judge to death for murdering his wife, the judiciary said, in the third high-profile femicide case in the country in two months. The criminal court decided "to refer the judge who killed TV presenter Shaimaa Gamal and accomplice to the Grand Mufti of Egypt." - THE DECCAN HERALD

Lula holds lead as Brazil's election campaign begins

BRAZIL: Brazil's former left-wing President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva holds a double-digit lead over far-right incumbent Jair Bolsonaro, a new poll has shown, as the country's tightly contested presidential election campaign officially kicks off. The election on October 2 will be the first since Bolsonaro - a far-right former Army Captain came to power four years ago. - ALJAZEERA

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New UK DCTS facility to benefit Sri Lanka immensely -President NCE

The decision by the UK government to replace the current UK GSP with the Developing Countries Trading Scheme (DCTS) will benefit Sri Lanka, President National Chamber of Exporters, Ravi Jayawardena said.

He also said that this decision may also lead towards opening up a new export basket to the UK market. In addition if there is a clamp down of 'GSP plus' to EU countries, exporters to the UK can continue under this new system as the UK is now independent. "Now over 99% of goods exported from Sri Lanka is eligible for duty-free access to the UK."



President National Chamber of Exporters, Ravi Jayawardena



The British High Commissioner to Sri Lanka Sarah Hulston

The British High Commissioner to Sri Lanka Sarah Hulston said that she was happy that under the DCTS's Enhanced Preferences, Sri

Lanka will benefit from duty free exports to the UK on more than 80% of products. Sri Lankan goods which benefit most from the DCTS

include exports to the UK of baby clothes, t-shirts and vests, which receive a 12 percentage point reduction in import duty.

"The DCTS will remove tariffs on over 150 additional products. It will also simplify some seasonal tariffs, meaning additional and simpler access for Sri Lanka's exports to the UK." The DCTS will be one of the most generous sets of trading preferences of any country in the world, helping to grow trade, boost jobs and drive economic growth. The new scheme will replace the UK Generalised Scheme of Preferences and will come into force in early 2023.

Overall, the total trade between the UK and Sri Lanka each year is around £1.4 billion.

The DCTS replaces the UK Generalised Scheme of Preferences and simplifies rules of origin for LDCs, reduces tariffs, revises how goods graduate and simplifies requirements to access enhanced tariffs.

The DCTS retains existing powers to suspend a country on the grounds of human rights and labour rights violations and broadens these powers to include violations in relation to anti-corruption, climate change and environment conventions. (SS)

JAAF requests PUCSL to re-assess off-peak tariff rates

Industry ID	Previous	Proposed	Published
Daytime (06:30-18:30)	11.50	18.50	28.00
Peak (18:30-22:30)	25.50	31.50	34.50
Off-peak (22:30-05:30)	8.85	14.50	15.00

Proposed and published daytime and off-peak tariff revisions

With the Public Utilities Commission (PUCSL) granting permission to the Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB) to increase power tariffs, the off-peak and daytime tariff applicable to industries has increased exponentially.

The initial proposal by the PUCSL suggested the off-peak industrial electricity tariff be increased from Rs. 6.85 to Rs. 14.50 and the daytime tariff is increased from Rs. 11 to Rs. 18.50.

In response, the Joint Apparel Association (JAAF) submitted counter proposals at the stakeholder consultation, identifying the 113% increase in off-peak industrial electricity tariffs to be extraordinarily high and detrimental to the industry. JAAF suggested implementing the final tariff increases in two phases, with the proposed rate being reduced to approximately 50% in each phase. However, JAAF made no counter proposals for the suggested modest revisions for daytime tariffs, as the industry understands that these revisions are mandatory to rectify the massive losses incurred by the Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB).

Alarming, despite the cautions highlighted by JAAF, the approved off-peak and daytime tariffs are higher than those initially proposed for the 12 category. Moreover, much to the industry's surprise, revisions made to daytime tariffs are

three times higher than the rate initially proposed. JAAF is concerned over the finalized industrial electricity tariff rates, as it has overlooked the needs of the apparel industry and suggestions made by JAAF at the stakeholder consultation on behalf of the industry.

To reiterate JAAF's concerns, the increase in off-peak tariffs defeats the very purpose of having an off-peak slab, which is to incentivize businesses to operate during off-peak hours. This move will further add to the industry's operational costs, compelling the industry to bear higher off-peak staff costs. Moreover, Energy-intensive businesses such as the textile industry operate on a 24-hour cycle. An exponential increase in both off-peak and daytime tariff rates will also increase overall industry costs and will adversely impact JAAF's strategy to drive Sri Lanka's annual apparel export earnings to USD 8 billion by 2025. This will prove to be harmful to Sri Lanka's already fragile economy, hampering value addition and export diversification. Therefore, JAAF urges PUCSL, the electricity sector regulator,

CBSL Governor rebuffs erroneous news items

Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandana Weerasinghe says that Sinhala translations of articles construed to be authored by him in English, which have been circulating in websites and social media platforms, was erroneous.



For example, since late, there have been numerous instances where articles under the topic "Inflation is not a problem, but a solution, this economic crisis may be the best thing that happened to us - says Central Bank Governor" or similar topics have been circulating widely in social media.

CBSL informs that neither Dr. Nandana Weerasinghe nor the Central Bank is responsible for the article on the topic of "Inflation is not a problem, but a solution" authored by other individuals under the guise of Dr. Nandana Weerasinghe or the contents thereof.



The Organization of Professionals hosted the 35th Annual Conference and the third National APEX awards of the Organisation of Professional Associations of Sri Lanka (OPA) at the Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo with President Ranil Wickremesinghe participating as the Chief Guest. Here Prof. Lakshman R. Watawala receives an award for Finance and Banking Sector in recognition to his contribution to the sector from President Ranil Wickremesinghe. Picture by Sudath Malawera

Canada and Sri Lanka sign MoU to implement Volunteer Cooperation program

Canada and Sri Lanka signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to implement the WUSC Volunteer Cooperation Program 2020-2027.

David McKinnon, High Commissioner of Canada to Sri Lanka said, "The program will contribute to sustainable economic growth in Sri Lanka and foster closer relations between our two countries. IGNI+E will bring valued technical assistance and create opportunities for enhanced cooperation between the Canadian and Sri Lankan participants."

Funded by Global Affairs Canada, the Innovative Global Networks for Inclusion and



The MoU being exchanged

Equality (IGNI+E) Project is a volunteer program spanning over nine countries, including Sri Lanka. This seven year initiative (2020-2027) is implemented by the World University Service of Canada (WUSC). It will support local partners to implement

initiatives and provide services for poor and marginalised youth, particularly young women, in a sustainable, innovative and inclusive manner.

WUSC brings more than three decades of participation in Sri Lanka's development, as part of Canada's enduring commitment to building a prosperous and inclusive Sri Lanka. The IGNI+E project in Sri Lanka will support government, non-governmental, private and social enterprise sectors, by engaging and harnessing the knowledge and expertise of qualified Canadian volunteers. Eighteen Sri Lankan volunteers will also be selected to support local partners in the project.

Bourse dips yesterday

Colombo bourse witnessed profit taking yesterday amidst recording healthy turnover with local and foreign investor interest. Thus, All-Share Price Index decreased by 178.9 points (-1.9%) to close at 8,907.4 for the day whilst S&P SL20 **▶▶ PAGE 12**

HNB Assurance Group records 31% Growth in GWP during 1H of 2022

HNB Assurance PLC (HNBA) and its fully owned subsidiary HNB General Insurance Limited (HNBGI) recorded a Gross Written Premium (GWP) of Rs 7.4 billion depicting a steady growth of 31% during 1H of 2022.

Chairperson of HNBA and HNBGI, Rose Cooray stated, "It is indeed a great pleasure to announce that the HNB Assurance Group has achieved a 31% growth in GWP compared to the corresponding period of the previous year. In reviewing the performance of each business, the Life Insurance Company recorded a GWP of Rs 4.3 billion showcasing a growth of 37% and the General Insurance business recorded a GWP of 3.3 billion, depicting a growth of 23%." "These significant results were recorded amidst a number of unprecedented economic and social challenges in the country. However, the resilience of our core business model and focus on capturing market segments with growth potential has led to yield these significant results."

Chief Executive Officer of HNB Assurance PLC Lasitha Wimalaratne said, "During the first half of 2022 HNBA had a growth of 37%, recording the highest growth rate amongst the Top 10 Life Insurance Companies in Sri Lanka.



CEO, HNB Assurance Lasitha Wimalaratne



CEO of HNB General Insurance Sithumina Jayasundara

This is a truly commendable achievement since we stand ahead of the industry growth rate of 18%."

"The Company's Life Insurance Fund stands at Rs 22.6 bn at the end of 1H of 2022 whilst the Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR) of HNBA stood at 320%. This further reaffirms the Company's financial stability as the CAR is well above the minimum stipulated rate of 120% as directed by the Regulator. Keeping to our promise towards our valued policyholders, HNBA settled insurance benefits and claims to the tune of Rs 1 billion."

Chief Executive Officer of HNB General Insurance Limited, Sithumina Jayasundara, said: "During this challenging period that we are facing as a country and as an industry as a whole, HNBGI was able to maintain a steady

financial growth capitalizing on its service and operational excellence. HNBGI recorded a GWP of Rs 3.3 billion with a growth of 23%."

"During the period the Company settled Insurance Benefits and Claims amounting to over Rs 1.6 billion showcasing a steady commitment to our valuable customers. Demonstrating the Company's strong financial strength, the Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR) of HNBGI stood at 235%, which is well above the regulatory requirement."

HNBGI was adjudged the Best Insurance Company Claims Management Team - Sri Lanka 2022 by Global Banking and Finance Review and Best General Insurance Company of the Year - Special Recognition Award at the recently ICC Emerging Asia Insurance Awards."

Dankotuwa Group GP up by 86%, to Rs. 208 mn in 1Q

Dankotuwa Porcelain PLC, posted impressive results for the Q1 of the financial year 2022/2023 recording revenue of Rs. 788.4 million for the Q1 of the financial year 2022/23, a 56% growth when compared to Rs. 504.4 million achieved during the corresponding period.

Further, the Company achieved a Gross Profit (GP) of Rs. 374.1 million, which was an 86% growth compared to Rs. 201.46 million achieved for the same period of the last financial year. The Profit before Tax (PBT) for Dankotuwa, as a Company, was Rs. 207.52 million, a commendable achievement when compared to the Rs. 55.81 million made during the first quarter of the previous financial year 2021/22.

Dankotuwa Porcelain PLC as a Group (which includes its subsidiary Royal Fernwood Porcelain Limited) posted revenue of Rs. 1.42 billion, an 81% growth compared to Rs. 787.67 million achieved last year for the same period. The Group further achieved a Gross Profit (GP) of Rs. 610.55 million, a 122% growth compared to Rs. 275.5

million and Profit before Tax (PBT) of Rs. 367.77 million, an increase compared to Rs. 60.26 million and Profit after Tax (PAT) of Rs. 298 million impressive increase of 491% compared to the Rs 50 million achieved in the corresponding period in the last financial year.

Royal Fernwood Porcelain Limited, its subsidiary, recorded a gross profit of Rs. 236.46 million for Q1 of the financial year 2022/23 which contributed positively towards the overall performance of the Group.

The Company underwent restructuring and realigned business verticals enabling the convergence of resources which has definitely contributed to the positive results during the last quarter. Chief Executive Officer of Dankotuwa Porcelain Channa Gunawardana, said, "We've navigated through turbulent phases over the past years and are very



Chairman, Yudhishtan Kanagasabai

CEO, Channa Gunawardana

pleased to announce the commendable performance of the organization. It has been a tough journey paved by the pandemic, lockdowns, economic and political distress, and disruptions."

"Amidst all these difficulties, we have emerged strong and positive, demonstrating our resilience and our willingness to accept challenges and forge ahead with commitment and determination. As an organization, we continued to adapt to the changes imposed by the pandemic and faced the macro-economic challenges with resilience."

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Market Statistics on 17.08.2022

Table of market statistics for shares on 17.08.2022, including columns for Security, Volume, V.W.A. Previous Close, Open, High, Low, V.W.A. Yesterday's Close, and Change (Rs.).

Table of market statistics for various securities on 17.08.2022, including columns for Security, Volume, V.W.A. Previous Close, Open, High, Low, V.W.A. Yesterday's Close, and Change (Rs.).

COCONUTS

Coconut Products - Prices on 17.08.2022

Table of coconut product prices on 17.08.2022, listing various products like Fresh Coconut, Desiccated Coconut, Coconut Oil, and Coconut Shell with their respective prices.

EXCHANGE RATES

Table of exchange rates for various currencies as of 2022.08.17, including columns for Currency, Buying Rate, and Selling Rate.

MARKET STATISTICS

Table of market statistics including Equity Details, Govt. Securities, and Corporate Debt, with columns for Today and PRV.DAY values.

CFA Society Sri Lanka hosts webinar on Issues in Sovereign Domestic Debt Restructuring

The CFA Society Sri Lanka will be hosting a webinar on Issues in Sovereign Domestic Debt (SDD) Restructuring on August 24, 2022 from 6 p.m. onwards.

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to reassess the exponentially high off-peak and daytime industry tariff rates, and to consider submissions made against the initial proposals.

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Index also dropped by 90.6 points (-2.9%) to close at 2,947.0. LOLC Holdings, Expolanka Holdings, Browns Investments, Sampath Bank and Royal Ceramics remained as the top negative contributors to the ASPI during the day.

Policy Division in the Strategy, Policy, and Review Department of the International Monetary Fund, and Anshari Perera, CFA, Head of Sector Research and Lead Macro Economic Analyst, Frontier Research (Pvt) Ltd.

This webinar will be open to the public and for registrations and more details could be obtained from, secretariat@srilanka.cfasociety.org

volume traded for the day was 129,131.9k against the 12-month average daily volume of 215,129.7k. Insurance, Banks and Capital Goods mostly contributed to yesterday's turnover.

CFA Society Sri Lanka logo and 20th anniversary graphic with the text 'YEARS OF UPLIFTING CAPITAL MARKET STANDARDS'.

NEWS

SDB bank celebrates 25 Years of Service

SDB bank, one of the key players in Sri Lanka's SME-banking landscape, achieved the historic milestone of 25 years of service to Sri Lanka, while helping all Sri Lankans grow and adapt to a changing world.

The Bank's 25th Anniversary celebrations at The Kingsbury, Colombo yesterday and Chairperson of SDB bank, Dinithi Ratnayake said that the bank started in 1997 with a small capital of Rs. 123 million and has grown to be a leading national bank.

"Today we are listed on the Main Board of the Colombo Stock Exchange and with a Fitch Rating of BB + (Stable), as well as a growing network island wide totaling 94 branches."

SDB bank's ascendancy as a leading national bank can be attributed to its differentiated retail, business, and development banking models; multi-segment customer base across rural, SME and urban groups; digitalization of banking infrastructure; plus differentiated employee value proposition.

"While the Bank remains fundamentally true to its founding principles to date, its ethos and purpose have



Chairperson, Dinithi Ratnayake and Acting CEO Niranjan Thangarajah. Picture by Wimal Karunatilake



grown and evolved over time. These have led to the collective interest of the global investor community, allowing for strong, long-term investor partnerships with top international finance organizations and investors of the ilk of the International Finance Corporation (IFC); Dutch development bank FMO; and Japan-based financial services group SBI Holdings."

Acting CEO of SDB bank Niranjan Thangarajah said that over Rs. 300 million funding is in the pipeline towards renewable energy financing. "Today, we have emerged as a futuristic, val-

ue-based, tech savvy and contemporary bank with a key strategic focus on the areas of SME Development, Women's Empowerment and Digital Inclusion."

The bank also won many local and international accolades which include a 'top 50 spot among Sri Lanka's 100 Most Valuable Brands 2020', as ranked by Brand Finance. Embracing the digital banking revolution, 2019 saw SDB bank speak to digital natives and the public at large through its acquisition of UPay, a next-gen digital banking platform, and the launch of SDB Mobile, the Bank's very own mobile

banking app. In 2020, SDB bank made history by becoming the first in Sri Lanka to ever conduct a digital rights issue, reflecting the Bank's gravitation towards digital banking and technology, with the rights issue being heavily oversubscribed. To commemorate the historic milestone of 25 years of service, SDB bank has planned a number of activities. Most notably, in keeping with its commitment to sustainability, SDB bank will inaugurate its 25th Anniversary Forest Restoration Project in Ududumbara, underscoring its commitment to environmental and social sustainability.

Today, the bank is strongly positioned, financially, and in terms of expertise, experience and other resources, to fuel economic development in Sri Lanka, with a keen focus on the SME sector. SDB bank began its journey as a development bank in 1997 and founded on the principles of the Cooperative Movement, which seek to empower people at the grass-root level and transform rural societies through credit and savings, and development financing.

HNB recognised at 'Daraz Payment Partner Performance Awards'



HNB Head of Cards Gauthami Niranjana receives the award from Daraz Managing Director Rakhil Fernando in the presence of HNB Cards Business Development Associate Nimanthaka Dodanthena, HNB Cards Business Development Executive Roshan Chaminda Perera and Daraz Head of Payments and Partnerships Dulika Jayamanne.

HNB PLC was recognised by Daraz, South Asia's largest e-commerce platform, for its commitment to enhancing digital payment solutions.

The Bank was awarded for the card base with the best all-round growth at the annual Daraz Payment Partner Performance Awards 2022 held recently. Ranked among the best banking partners, HNB recorded the best all-round growth in payment volume, buyer engagement and total transaction for its credit and debit card bases for 2021-2022.

"Since the onset of the pandemic in 2020, the conversion to digital payments and the usage of e-commerce platforms for purchases was fast-tracked exponentially. Over the past two years, we have adapted to these new market conditions and have

worked to ensure HNB customers have convenient and flexible options for their payments on any platform they wish to transact in. This award by Daraz is a recognition of our hard work and commitment to our customers and partners," HNB Head of Cards Gauthami Niranjana said.

HNB was also recognized last year as the payment partner with the highest overall growth by Daraz at their payment partner performance awards. Moreover, HNB cardholders enjoy multiple benefits on Daraz, including zero-interest instalments plans of up to 24 months with attractive discounts for HNB credit - cards.

Customers are also eligible for 10% off on purchases on the e-commerce platform on Saturdays. Additionally, the Bank also partners with Daraz to

offer users discounts on special occasions such as Avurudu, Black Friday Sales, 11:11 and 12.12.

HNB sealed its reputation as Sri Lanka's undisputed leader in retail banking, having been crowned as the Best Retail Bank in Sri Lanka for the 12th occasion at the prestigious International Excellence in Retail Financial Services Awards 2022 hosted by the Asian Banker Magazine.

HNB is also among Sri Lanka's most awarded banks, having been ranked among the Banker Magazine's Top 1,000 Global Banks for six consecutive years, as well as being adjudged Best Retail and SME Bank at the International Finance Awards 2021 and being ranked among Sri Lanka's Most Admired Companies for the 4th consecutive year.

Ken Vijayakumar Elected President CIPM SL

Ken Vijayakumar, a versatile business and People's professional, currently holding the position of Deputy General Manager Human Resources, Administration, Purchasing and Sustainability at A. Baur & Company (Pvt.) Ltd was elected as President of CIPM Sri Lanka.

Prior to his appointment as the President of CIPM Sri Lanka, he held office as the Vice President in the preceding year and serving for seven years in the CIPM Executive Council including as

the Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer in his tenure at CIPM, making him the ideal choice to navigate CIPM in these challenging times.

Vijayakumar counts over 30 years of experience in the field of Human Resource Management and General Management with appointments at Lankem (Ceylon) Ltd, Watawala Plantations, MAS Holdings, Keells Plantations, Lanka Equities, Brandix, WNS/AVIA, Delmege Forsyth and Waters

Edge Ltd., where he held managerial and senior managerial positions.

He also held the position of Regional Head of HR for Malaysia at Good Hope Asia (Holdings), a diversified conglomerate.

"Developing HR professionals to be resilient to face any type of crises and challenges, spreading CIPM's much acclaimed education courses to the neighboring countries and thereby opening a new avenue to infuse USD/

foreign currency to the country, making representation to the Government of Sri Lanka to amend the labor laws to take advantage of the gig economy such as part time employment, multiple employment contracts, flexible work arrangements, and positioning HR professionals as partners for business while ensuring more C-suite/Boardroom representation are some of the key areas that I will be working on during my tenure" said Ken Vijayakumar President

CIPM Sri Lanka. Vijayakumar is also a Senior faculty member of CIPM Sri Lanka since 2008. He has a Bachelor of Arts qualification from the University of Peradeniya and a Post Graduate Diploma in Management from the Post Graduate Institute of Management (PIM) of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura and holds membership in CIPM Sri Lanka and the Malaysian Institute of Human Resource Management (MIHRM).



SLASSCOM appoints Chairman and Board for 2022/23



SLASSCOM Chairman Ashique Ali with the office bearers and Board of Directors for the year 2022/23.

The Sri Lanka Association for Software Services Companies (SLASSCOM) recently appointed their new office bearers for 2022/23, at the Annual General Meeting held recently.

Ashique Ali was appointed as Chairman of SLASSCOM for the year 2022/2023. He is the Managing Director of Talliance and is a veteran in the industry with over 30 years of experience.

As a founding member of SLASSCOM, he has played an integral role in supporting the chamber's initiatives, helping to guide and steer it to its current position as the leading association in the country for the IT/BPM industry. He also represents SLASSCOM in several key committees in government and state institutions in policy, export promotion, FDI, capacity initiatives.

Chairman, Ashique Ali stated, "This is a demanding and difficult time for our industry, where the needs of the IT/BPM organizations, its people and stakeholders are severely challenged due to the volatile and rapidly changing economic situation in our country. Despite the many challenges our member companies have shown remarkable resilience in delivering on their commitments to foreign clients and investors looking after the wellbeing of their employees. These times call for strategic and innovative ways to successfully navigate the future to drive greater growth for our industry and country. I'm privileged to work alongside our board and general council members who bring together unrivaled tenacity and industry expertise, which will be a great strength to help position the industry for its next phase of growth."

Outgoing Chairperson of SLASSCOM, Sandra De Zoysa, offering her congratulations to the newly elected Chairman and the board said,

"Ashique's long history of leadership and experience in the industry as being a founding member of SLASSCOM actively guiding the SLASSCOM team to launch many value-driven initiatives for the industry, makes him an ideal person for this role. I look forward to supporting him to make a positive impact for all the industry's stakeholders, including IT/BPM organizations and its people."

The other main office bearers appointed included, Jehan Perinpanayagam as 1st Vice Chairman and Nishan Mendis as 2nd Vice Chairman, Shehani Seneviratne as the Director of Operations and Feroze Cader as the Director of Finance.

Jehan Perinpanayagam the 1st Vice Chairman of SLASSCOM, is the CEO of Informat (Pvt) Ltd and the Vice President of the John Keells Holdings. SLASSCOM's 2nd Vice Chairman, Nishan Mendis, is the Executive Director and the Technology Consulting Leader and Chief Information Officer (CIO) for PwC Sri Lanka. Shehani Seneviratne, appointed to the position of Director of Operations, is the Chief Operating Officer at 99X Technology, whilst Feroze Cader, appointed to the position of Director of Finance, is the Director, Head of Market Services Shared Operations at the London Stock Exchange Group.

SLASSCOM's new illustrious board of directors include Sampath Jayasundara, CEO of hSenid Business Solutions; Arjuna Nanayakara, CEO and Head of Shared Services of GTN Group; Dilan Rajapakse, Managing Director of VitalHub Innovations Lab; Shanaka Fernando, DGM at WNS Global Services; Rohith Pradeep, CEO of SAKS Global; Shehan Selvanayagam, Founder of Loops; and Harshani Perera, Co-Founder of Inqbaytor.

Exterminators posts best 1Q FY23 results with PBT increase of 84%

Exterminators PLC, Sri Lanka's premier pest management and environmental technology company announced its interim financial results for the first quarter of the FY23 with a revenue increase of 26%, gross profit by 20%, operating profit by 13%, profit before tax by 84%, net profit by 49% and the comprehensive income by 991%.

The earnings per share increased by 12% and the net assets per share increased by 27% in the 1Q of the financial year 2023, even during the prevailing crisis.

The total dividend payout



Chaminda Ratnayake and Marlon Ferreira

for FY22 was Rs. 0.16 per share, which is 29.7% of the PAT, the company will issue the final dividend payment of Rs. 0.07 per share in early September according to the announcement made to the CSE on July 28, 2022. Hold-

ing a legacy of over 24 years, as a specialized pest control service provider, Exterminators has helped prevent diseases, control pests, and protect homes and businesses by developing, delivering and articulating efficient and sustainable environmental enhancement and public health protection solutions. Exterminators currently operate with three branches in Colombo, Kandy and Dambulla.

"We carved a unique niche within the industry as an environmental management company which extends its service-

es beyond the realms of pest control. As a growth oriented business we hope to explore market development strategies by venturing across borders with global expansion," said Chairman of Exterminators Chaminda Ratnayake.

"As a proactive company with an entrepreneurial mindset, we reacted to the unfolding events in a positive and proactive manner, always bearing in mind that crises create opportunities to challenge and change the status quo for a better future," Managing Director of Exterminators Marlon Ferreira, stated.

Coca-Cola encourages public to dispose plastic responsibly

Coca-Cola in Sri Lanka encourages the public to ensure that the many recyclable PET plastic packaging available at home are responsibly disposed even during these difficult times. Verifying if a plastic item can be recycled is simple and can be done by checking the plastic identification code located at the bottom or on the side of the package.

Plastic identification codes with number "1" on them are fully recyclable PET products. By using this simple method, anyone can easily collect all plastic bottles with the number "1" code at home and dispose of them at the nearest 'Give Back Life' bin. By downloading the Waste2Value app, the nearest bin can be located. Coca-Cola Beverages Sri Lanka Limited Director Public Affairs, Communications and Sustainability Thamarani Senanayake, stated, "As a socially responsible company, we strongly believe that PET plastic is not waste but has inherent value and should be responsibly discarded. Educating and empowering people to do this is key and we are proud to have conducted over 100 awareness sessions, reaching over 10,000 people across twelve districts. We request citizens to spread the word as well to ensure that we reduce pollution caused by PET plastic and instead 'Give Back Life' to PET plastic by recycling it with Eco-Spindles Pvt. Ltd. into value added items such



cleaning brushes, brooms or recycled polyester yarn for clothing. With your help, we can give a cleaner island nation." Through Give Back Life programme, Coca-Cola is voluntarily contributing to the 'Extended Producer Responsibility' initiative which aims to increase plastic waste collection and recycling to minimize plastic pollution, recently launched by the Ministry of Environment and the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce.

With funding from The Coca-Cola Foundation (TCCF), Coca-Cola Sri Lanka has joined several local partners to implement various initiatives and to conduct trainings, awareness sessions and projects on PET plastic recovery and recycling. Together with implementing partner Solidaridad Network Asia, Coca-Cola partnered with The Central Environmental Authority to develop a significant repository of education and awareness material with a comprehensive trilingual training manual on PET and plastics waste management.

UAL Chief Bancassurance Officer, Vindya Cooray wins Insurance award

Enhancing her reputation as a rising star in the corporate world, Vindya Cooray, the Chief Bancassurance Officer of Union Assurance, (UAL) has won another prestigious accolade. She was presented with the Young Executive of the Year award at the seventh Asia Trusted Life Agents and Advisers Awards 2022 held on July 26, becoming the only winner from Sri Lanka.

Vindya has an illustrious career, having steadily risen up the corporate ladder over the years. She started off in 2013 at John Keells Holdings (JKH), where she became the youngest individual to be appointed as a sector financial controller at the age of 29. She was soon promoted to Vice President, Finance, Cinnamon Hotels and Resorts, JKH Leisure sector.

Vindya became the Chief Bancassurance Officer of Union Assurance in mid-2021. She played a notable role in guiding Union Assurance to become the leading Bancassurance provider in the country, surpassing Rs.1 billion ANBP in 2021.

In line with the Company's mission to empower the Sri Lankan dream, she negotiated several bancassurance partnerships consolidating the market positioning as the number one bancassurance provider in the country whilst securing a footprint of over 600 branches.

Under her leadership, the Bancassurance partnerships produced 67 MDRT (Million Dollar Round Table) members, including 10 Court of the

Table qualifiers and 2 Top of the Table qualifiers. Furthermore, she launched the best-in-class rewards and recognition

platform for the bancassurance sales force - Circle of Excellence. She helped in revamping the digital channel of Union Assurance and activated it not only as a sales tool but also as a lifestyle app, enhancing the customer experience.

Vindya is passionate about inspiring individuals to achieve their full potential, with a focus on youth empowerment and gender equality. She has led work-life balance initiatives and is regarded as a highly successful team builder. She was a core team leader of the ONEJKH - JKH Group DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) initiative which won the JKH Chairman's award. She is also the recipient of the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Award, and has been bestowed with the Vanithabhimana National Award in 2021 in the Corporate Sector.

Professionally, she is a qualified Chartered Accountant, having ranked first in the island at the final exam, and possesses several academic and professional qualifications.



Vindya Cooray

Fuel queues should be managed better

It is sad that the authorities have completely ignored the wellbeing of the average citizen standing in the queues for fuel.

Whilst, they have taken reasonable action amidst many challenges with regard to the introduction of the QR code system for allocating fuel which is a new tech introduction there have been no action taken to ease off the queues and to protect the wellbeing of those who stand in the queues.

So far, it has been the need for everyone to stand, in a long queue, for days in some instances to get their allocation of fuel. This is a requirement for most, other than some in the government and related parties who have access to other sources of fuel supply through various irregular channels or similar. When it comes to fuel queues, it is recommended that the authorities make a visit in person to understand the great difficulties faced by all citizens standing in a queue and by this they can figure out what action is needed to mitigate the inconvenience and insecurity these queues bring to everyone standing in queues.

It is also timely that a sample is being taken to understand the profile of persons in these queues. In my view from an overall perspective (if you take the 3 wheelers out) over 30% are females (or the cars owned and



Gihan Pilapitiya

driven by women), sometimes even with babies and feeding mothers. There are cases where the whole family is in the queue, the whole day and you can often see little children even doing their school work inside these vehicles. If you take the 2 wheelers a good third seems to be females once again. Despite this there are no facilities for toilets, or even have access to any food supply. Add to this the security forces and the police seem to be busy protecting politicians but not providing any security to those in the queues.

A good proof of this could be seen if you decide to visit any queue in the morning. The queue for an average fuel station generally ends at over 2-3 km away,

where there would be people standing in the queue the whole night, helpless, not knowing what to do. In most of these locations there is no police patrol in the vicinity, no army, nor other authorities to help or even provide proper information.

So, I suggest that the government use the unused /underutilized premises owned by the government that is closest to each fuel station, to park these vehicles like in a fuel park so that the basic need of toilet facilities and some kind of food access can be made available. Although we all pray and hope for the queues to end with the introduction of the quota system and the QR code system there seems to be no guarantee that these will immediately end the queues.

Therefore, the need is to create space for parking the excess vehicles that line up at a queue if the queues continue to form even after. Few months ago I proposed the example of using the Nelum Pokuna, premises built with people's money as a fuel park for the fuel station just opposite this premises so that all three key aspects, the availability of security, sanitary facilities, food stalls, in addition to the ability of maintaining a proper login system for vehicles that enter can be maintained. The similar has to be done to all other locations, at least in the crowded locations close to the cities to ease off the stress people have to go through.

Along with this, there is still no proper communication to the queue on the fuel supply to the relevant station. This can be done easily with a SMS that can be generated through the service providers limiting it to the radius of say, 2 KM so that everyone from the queue and from the areas will get the message that the fuel had arrived, status of unloading, and start of pumping etc.



SLIC enters into strategic tie-up with Ceylon Motor Traders Association



Sri Lanka Insurance entered into a strategic tie up and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ceylon Motor Traders Association (CMTA) the representative body of Sri Lanka Automotive industry

to provide an exclusive vehicle insurance package for CMTA members.

The MoU exchange took place between the two parties recently with the participation of Charaka Perera Chairman

of CMTA, Virann De Zoysa - Senior Vice Chairman of CMTA, Andrew Perera, Vice Chairman of CMTA, Chandana L. Aluthgama CEO of SLIC, Namalee A Silva DGM Marketing/Head of Distribution Life of SLIC,



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Mahesh Gamage AGM Category Marketing - General of SLIC.

The strategic tie-up between the two organizations intends to facilitate a comprehensive motor insurance solution for members of the CMTA for the benefit of their customer as well as home insurance or a life insurance solution as well. Founded in 1920, CMTA is affiliated to the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce and is widely accepted as the voice of

the Sri Lankan Automotive Industry. Further, the CMTA members have over 7,000 direct employees and have established island-wide dealer networks under them, which is made up of around 3,000 small and medium scale enterprises spread across the island. It is proposed to enter in to a strategic partnership with CMTA to obtain special partnership benefits that can be utilized as value additions for SLIC and its consumers.

Ideal First Choice expands to Kurunegala

Ideal First Choice, the multi-brand total aftercare arm of the Ideal Group, expanded its branch network by opening another service center at Kurunegala recently.

The Kurunegala Ideal First Choice Service Center is located at Wanduragala, Kurunegala and the latest addition for customers to purchase brand new auto spare parts.

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introduced to the Sri Lankan market recently. The new Center will also serve the needs of other spare part suppliers and busi-

nesses in the area. Saving time and convenience, other dealers too can purchase all genuine high quality replacement parts in bulk

for their customers from the new Kurunegala Service Center. By establishing the Kurunegala branch, Ideal First Choice offers genuine spare parts at competitive rates and unmatched service for customers, easing access of travelling to other locations in search of supplies.

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Ranatunga now the biggest think-tank of Sri Lanka sports

Dinesh Weerawansa

Sri Lanka's World Cup winning captain, Arjuna Ranatunga was appointed the new chairman of the elite National Sports Council by Minister of Sports, Roshan Ranasinghe, got into action by conducting his first public day yesterday.

Earlier last week, he addressed the distinguished gathering which included Minister Ranasinghe and Secretary to the Ministry of Sports Dr. Amal Harsha de Silva, the former Sri Lanka cricket captain turned ex-Cabinet Minister at one time said it was an honour to chair the distinguished committee on the invitation of the Minister.

Ranatunga, who won the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year award twice in 1980 and 1982, said he played for Sri Lanka for 19 years and was then in Parliament for about 18 years.

"For the last two and a half years, I was much relaxed, concentrating fully on my family. Then came this invitation from the Minister to whom I had high regard. But there again, I was thinking about it for some time. There again, I thought I must give something back once again," Ranatunga said.

"I have got all these things in life due to cricket. It is not an individual sport. It is a team sport. But you have played as one team. When I look back at my cricket career statistics, I have played for almost two decades - in over 250 one-day Internationals and over 90 Tests. But I have scored only four centuries in each form. That is because I always put my team ahead of individual achievements," he said.

It was absolutely true as Ranatunga, born on December 1, 1963 has played in 93 Tests, scoring 5,105 runs but has only four centuries and 38 fifties. Similarly, while scoring 7,456 runs in 269 ODIs, Ranatunga had scored only four tons and 49 fifties.

"I will do my level best to uplift the sport in Sri Lanka, helping the talented sportsmen and women in



Sri Lanka's World Cup winning captain, Arjuna Ranatunga, who was appointed the Chairman of the National Sports Council having a conversation with Minister of Sports, Roshan Ranasinghe last week.

remote areas across the island. At the same time, I will make Wednesday a public day so that sportsmen and sportswomen could reach the National Sports Council directly to iron out whatever problems they have. They could also come up with innovative ideas to develop sports," Ranatunga said.

The other members of the star-studded National Sports Council are Army Commander Lt. General H.L.V.M. Liyanage, Air Force Commander Air Marshall S.K. Pathirana, Navy Commander Vice Admiral Nishantha Ulugethenne, Director General of Sports Amal Edirisuriya, former SLRFU President and Consultant Surgeon Dr. Maiya Gunasekera, former Commonwealth Games silver medalist Sriyani Kulawansa, former Director General of Education

(Sports) and ex-AASL President Sunil Jayaweera, former Sri Lanka rugby captain and ex-SLRFU President Lasitha Gunaratna, ex-National Youth Chairman Nalinda Illangakoon, Advisor to the Sports Minister and former Prime Minister's private secretary Sudath Chandrasekera, former Royal boxing captain and local Paralympics chief Major General Rajitha Ampemotthi, business consultant Krishantha Mendis and former Bar Association of Sri Lanka Secretary cum my Royal College batch mate Ajith Pathirana. Sujani Bogollagama has been named as the Secretary of the NSC.

Harking back to the history of the Observer SLT Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year series which has entered its 44th year, this year's

selection is expected to take place shortly.

Naveed Nawaz of D.S. Senanayake MV, after a highly successful season, won the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year in 1993. This was after Sanjeewa Ranatunga (1988), Kumar Dharmasena (1989), Marvan Atapattu (1990), Muttiah Muralidaran (1991) and Sajith Fernando (1992) signalled the second glorious era in the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year series.

Born on September 20, 1973 in Colombo, Nawaz was a left-handed batsman and a leg-break bowler who first came to the limelight from D.S. Senanayake MV. Despite his impressive school career, he managed to play just one Test and three one-day Internationals for Sri Lanka.

Later he was appointed as under-19



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coach of Bangladesh. Under the coaching of Nawaz, in the 2020 ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup Bangladesh beat India by three wickets to win the tournament.

Nawaz played one Test and three ODIs for Sri Lanka between 1998 and 2002. He was previously serving as Bangladesh U-19 team coach and had guided the team to the ICC U19 World Cup triumph in 2020.

His only Test was against Bangladesh. He had played for his club side for several years before an international appearance with his first and only international match taking place in July 2002, and in 2004 Nawaz ventured into Twenty-20 cricket.

In 2004, he was appointed as the

captain of Sri Lanka A side that toured New Zealand and the team included very good players like pace-man Lasith Malinga.

On his retirement from International and domestic cricket in 2005 he ventured into the field of coaching first-class cricket in Sri Lanka. He was player-cum-coach of NCC, head coach of Moors Sports Club and has done a good job as the head coach with SSC. His latest contract is being an assistant head coach of the Sri Lanka National team for two years from 2022.

In 2007-08, Nawaz was head coach of the Pingara International Cricket Academy (FICA). He was appointed as consultant coach of the Sri Lanka women's team in 2009 and accompanied them at the Women's World Cup in Australia and T20 World Cup in England.

In 2009, Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) appointed Nawaz as the head coach of the Sri Lanka under-19 team.

In July 2018, Nawaz was appointed as under-19 coach of Bangladesh and they ended as runners-up in the 2019 ACC Asia under-19 tournament which was held in Sri Lanka. During the tournament Bangladesh U19 team was able to beat the hosts to end as table toppers of group A.

Under the coaching of Nawaz, in the 2020 ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup Bangladesh beat India by three wickets to win the tournament.

It was Bangladesh's first triumph in an ICC event at any level.

He was appointed as assistant coach for the Sri Lanka national cricket team for two years last April.

Nawaz, before taking over the new role, was functioning as the head coach of the Bangladesh under-19 team, where he led the team to an ICC under 19 Cricket World Cup win in 2020.

Kandy Sports need a boost



HAFIZ MARIKAR

Kandy boasts for its sporting excellence. Do you love sports? Well, who doesn't? Kandy has no dearth of sports lovers and those who are passionate about making it big in this arena. There are a number of things that need to be done in order to improve the standard of sports in Kandy.

The sporting bodies of Kandy have some good ideas to improve the standard of sports, for which the much needed facility is needed, firstly proper playing fields.

Over the years Kandy has established a proud record of having produced some good quality sportsmen and sportswomen in the field of rugby, cricket, football, swimming, hockey, athletics, table tennis, iron sports, boxing, swimming, basketball, netball, golf, softball cricket and recently baseball. In the past two years most of the sports in Kandy was held up due to the Corona virus problem.

The sporting fraternity of Kandy hopes that the new Sports Minister, a sports lover who is keen to develop sports should help the young sportsmen and women by using his initiative to find solutions on how to provide better facilities for all sports in the district. Kandy's urgent need is proper ground facilities for cricket, hockey, rugby and athletics. During the time when the Bogambara Stadium was under the Municipal Council, sports flourished in Kandy. The respective sports bodies were able to pocket out the ground fee, but today the ground is under the Sports Ministry and fee is sky high. The sporting fraternity of Kandy appeals to the new Sports Minister to give a helping hand.

Today the oval ball sport is undoubtedly the most popular in Kandy with one "A" division club Kandy Sports Club, who are dominating the game.

Football which was tagged as the common man's game, at one time and was a powerhouse of Sri Lanka club football. But today it is in a forgotten state. Today no one seems to care for football in the hill capital which has a history of nearly 100 years. The game is sadly neglected. For many years, tournaments and AGMs have not been held on time in an organized manner. Most of the players are losing interest

as there is no recognition nor any support or encouragement to take this game forward. At club level it is dead. The schools are playing the game as usual. Cricket - at school and club level continues to take pride of place, and once again club standards have risen. This year the Kandy DCA and Central PCA have brought in cricket promoters and they are doing their best. Hockey at both boys and girls school level is quite healthy and successful, especially girls' schools dominating the game. KDHA affairs at club level have been successful but lacking a venue to play matches.

Billiards and snooker have taken a nosedive with hardly any activity. Only Mahanuwa YMBA keeps the sport going, other clubs have forgotten to switch the table lights. Now it is a parlour game. Only during the AGM of the controlling body, the lights come on. Basketball has got back to its former glory.

The schools are giving a big boost to restart the game in a better fashion. Table tennis was very popular. There is some hope as there are many schools and clubs who are capable of doing well. Swimming - Mahamaya Girls have dominated the sport by winning many meets. Trinity and Hillwood girls have also excelled in the water sport. Badminton there is somewhat a lack of interest in this sport. Boxing - remains popular among the schools. One time king makers of the sport were Trinity College were third in the L. V. Jayaweera championship recently. St. Sylvester's College, Peradeniya MMV, Sarasavi Uyana Vidyantha, Kingswood and Dharmaraja are doing well.

Wrestling - was at its best at club level especially Kandy YMCA that promoted it. It is good to see there some keen wrestlers. Iron Sport - Kandy YMCA and Mahanuwa YMBA gave a big hand for iron sport (body building and weightlifting) and helped several iron sportsmen to do well and bring honor to the country, today schools give a big hand for the sport. Baseball - This sport is catching up fast, and some of the schools are keen to promote it thanks to the efforts of the promoters. Golf - a sport which is popular mainly due to the promotion given by the Golf Club in Digena. Volleyball the sport is over 100 years old in the country and 80 years old in Kandy. It is the national sport, and at a certain time volleyball was a

popular game. Today the much needed support is not there for the game.

Netball - schools in Kandy are doing well in this sport and have taken part in most of the tournaments organized by the governing body. It was Kandy Girls High School who started the sport first followed by Hillwood College, Kandy Convent, St. Anthony's Convent, Pushpadana BMW, Swarnamali BV, and Hemamali BV.

Athletics - all schools in Kandy have athletics in their curriculum and are doing very

well. Cycling - has been popular in Kandy and there have been races on many occasions. Chess - has been popular at schools for quite a long period. Carrom - is a popular sport in Kandy, mostly played by the government departments. This is a re-creation sport. Kandy's Carrom Association gives a big hand to promote the sport.

Softball cricket is very popular and every Sunday and on public holidays tournaments for various trophies are played.

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Sri Lanka's WBC team leaves for Tokyo today

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA
Four member Sri Lanka Badminton team is scheduled to leave today (18) for the World Badminton Championship (WBC) held from August 22 to 28 in Metropolitan Gymnasium in Tokyo, Japan.

Sri Lankan most experienced shuttler Niluka Karunaratne who took part at Olympics three in a row once again will compete for the men's single event at the World Championship while doubles pair Buwaneka Gunathileka and Sachin Dias for the first time will take part at the World Championship. In addition National women's Champion Thilini Hendaheva got last moment chance to play mixed double with Sachin Dias but Thilini Hendaheva still has a visa issue to join the tour party.

The senior Vice President of the Sri Lanka Badminton (SLB) Palitha Hettiarachchi who is the chairman of the coaching and National pool development of SLB said Niluka Karunaratne the experienced campaigner of the team is ready to take part this event while number one doubles pair Buwaneka and

Sachin are expected to take part at the men's doubles event in this Tokyo games.

In fact all three shuttlers Niluka, Sachin and Buwaneka came back from Bermingham Commonwealth Games will join this tour while Thilini Hendaheva is the latest addition to the team after came from Bermingham.

Thilini Hendaheva got chance to play mixed doubles last moment as some teams pairs were withdrawn their names while Thilini Hendaheva has an issue to get visa on time. Actually World Badminton Federation (WBF) has to issue official letter for the Japan visa but so far it has not received from the BWF. Normally WBF has to issue visa letter through Japan foreign Ministry and so far (yesterday) we tried to get that letter but it has not received for the visa matter. The event is commencing from 22. The Sport Minister, Secretary Dr Amal Harsha de Silva have tried to get this visa letter but that was not successful. If we will get visa letter from Japan foreign Ministry we can do other matters to obtain visa approval said SLB

vice President Palitha Hettiarachchi. The sports Ministry and the SLB jointly give their support to get facilities for the tour party and waiting to get Hendaheva's Visa.

Both Sachin and Buwaneka have won at recent international tournament and this event also has big exposure for the local players. Sachin and Buwaneka were really performed well at the Commonwealth Games but finally not enough to take a medal. Their approach to the doubles event was highly successful and hopefully another doubles achievement will expect at this world event. Both Sachin and Buwaneka reached the semi finals but they had to be satisfied with a certificate at this tournament.

Niluka is undoubtedly the best shuttler produced by Sri Lanka. He took part at this last London, Rio and Tokyo Olympics in a row. He got several opportunities to improve the world ranking. Actually world championship is high ranking tournament and ranking points are very much needed, said Palitha Hettiarachchi.



Sachin Dias and Buwaneka Gunathileka the number one Badminton doubles pair



Niluka Karunaratne in action



Thilini Hendaheva in action

Sports Minister promises to uplift wrestling sport

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA
The Sports Minister Roshan Ranasinghe is expected to get foreign coach service to upgrade Sri Lankan wrestling and arrangements are already being made to uplift this sport.

The minister had a successful discussion with Sri Lanka Wrestling Federation President Sarath Hewawitharana and the other top officials of the Federation, Commonwealth Games bronze medal wrestler Nethmi Ahinsa Poruthotage and her coach Suranga Kumara at the Sports Ministry recently. The minister also agreed to give level 2 foreign coach for the Sri Lankan wrestling to upgrade international level 2 qualifying standard.

The Minister also said importance of the nutritious foods for the wrestlers while Wrestling President and the Nethmi's coach pointed out this medal winner got nutrition from seeds for the breakfast, jack fruit and eggs with a nutritious meal for the lunch (low rice and more fresh vegetables) and soup for the dinner and in

addition Nethmi didn't drink milk powder, instead she eats almonds.

The Minister also made instructions to get more almonds for the athletes. The athletes' nutrition is more important to reach success, said Sports Minister.

Athletes discipline can develop through sports while during the school days students should involve with sports and this is very good for the students to develop their personality. They learn how to face win and loss in the society while physical exercises are important for the students, added Sports Minister.

Nethmi the bronze medal wrestler and her coach came to the Ministry with their own expenses but the Minister pointed out a wrestler like Nethmi is country's asset and she already brought honour to the country. That's why Sports Ministry has made arrangements to give transport facilities for this type of athletes and Minister have instructed the Sports Ministry Secretary Dr Amal Harsha de Silva to look into this type of matters.



Commonwealth games bronze medal winner Nethmi Ahinsa Poruthotage (third from left) with Sports Minister Roshan Ranasinghe, Sports Ministry Secretary Dr Amal Harsha de Silva, Wrestling Federation President Sarath Hewawitharana, coach Suranga Kumara and Wrestling Secretary Ajantha Ratnayake. (pix courtesy Sports Ministry media)

Nethmi's coach Suranga Kumara said; next time we can get Olympic medal from wrestling and expected more support to reach this target. The sports Ministry

Secretary Dr Amal Harsha de Silva, Wrestling President Sarath Hewawitharana and other officials of the Federation also graced this occasion.

John Tarbet Senior Athletic Championship from September 13

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

Sri Lanka schools Athletics Association (SLSAA) is expected to conduct Sir John Tarbet Senior Athletic championship from September 13 to 17 at the Sugathadasa Stadium in Colombo.

The five day event is more important for the junior athletes as it's going to be considered as the selection trail for the 4th Asian Under 18 Athletic championship which scheduled to be held from October 13 to 16 in Kuwait.

The senior vice President of Sri Lanka Athletics G.L.S Perera said the ongoing training for the junior Athletes are

doing as scheduled while senior athletes also do their regular training under their respective coaches. SLA headed by Major General Palitha Fernando already made plans for the training of senior athletes while SLA also planned to send athletes for the scheduled international athletic championship.

SLA is mainly focus on next Asian Games which will be held in China 2023. The arrangements for the athletes for the overseas training is the main area to focus while National pool training also resume once again to focus on forthcoming international events, said SLA Vice President G.L.S Perera.

T20 invitational tournament, a good match exposure, says Praveen Jayawickrama



Praveen Jayawickrama of SLC Blues receiving the Best Bowler award from Tournament Committee Chairman Samantha Dodanwela and SLC Vice President Dr Jayantha Dharmadasa. (pix courtesy SLC)

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA
SLC Invitational T 20 league cricket tournament paved the way to get more exposure before the Asia Cup T 20 cricket tournament as well as T 20 World Cup tournament said promising leg spinner Praveen Jayawickrama. The 23 year old leggie who was adjudged the Best Bowler of the tournament added we got good match exposure as we missed LPL before the Asia Cup and T 20 World Cup. The invitational T-20 league tournament made good platform to the players who performed well during the international and domestic tournaments.

Praveen Jayawickrama also said I had bad patch during the last Bangladesh test series in Bangladesh. Actually that time I change my usual bowling action after discussing with my spin coach Piyal Wijetunga. However that difference couldn't make good results for me. However once again I discussed with coach Piyal Wijetunga to go back to my early usual action and now I realized I came back strongly with my performance and very happy to finish highest wicket taker at this tournament and to earn Best Bowler award.

I don't know whether I can enter the Asia Cup team and that team is still not officially announced but I think spinners

did good role at this tournament. If I will enter the National squad for the Asia Cup I will do my best to teams' success.

I had to give my regards to my coaches to come up with this standard. Earlier Assistant coach to the Spin department Ajith Ekanayake did real work to my success while Piyal Wijetunga Sir was always behind us. The SLC is giving their best support to uplift cricketers to come up with this type of tournaments which is good for all local cricketers. The three day inter club cricket tournament will commence from August 19 while after this invitational T-20 league cricket tournament local cricketers are busy with read ball cricket from August.

The tournament Committee chairman of SLC Samantha Dodanwela and his team did good job to make the T20 tournament a success while attractive cash awards for the champion, runner up teams as well as individual award winners were given. The Vice President of SLC Dr Jayantha Dharmadasa was the chief guest at the presentation ceremony.

Kusal Mendis was awarded the Best Batter and Man of the Final awards while Praveen Jayawickrama was adjudged the Best Bowler and Asitha Fernando was awarded Player of the Tournament.

SLR partners with Childfund Rugby

CHRIS DHAMBARAGE

The Grassroots to Global Series - Sri Lanka Forum organised by Sri Lanka Rugby (SLR), will be held at the Mandarin Hotel, Colombo at 9.00 a.m. onwards from August 20 to 21, with Childfund Rugby, which is a renowned organisation for development promotion, being the main sponsoring body.

The main objective of this forum is to promote female rugby and the development of leadership among Women who are engaged in rugby.

Therefore, 25 school Physical Training Instructors (PTI) from covering seven different Provinces were given the opportunity



A women's rugby match (File photo)

to take part in the first ever rugby leadership programme. The PTI were chosen as the participants as it will help to take forward the information to the grassroot level.

Dr. Amal Harsha de Silva, Secretary, Ministry of Sports and Rizly Illiyas, President of

SLR will be invited as the chief guests for the event while the forum will be moderated under the guidance of Ex-co Member Dr. Samantha Nanayakkara with the assistance of former Sri Lankan Women's Rugby captain Sujani Rathnayake and Harini Jayamaha.

NZ coach backed through to 2023 Rugby World Cup

The New Zealand Rugby board has "unanimously agreed" Ian Foster should remain as national team coach through to next year's World Cup.

The All Blacks had lost five out of six games before beating South Africa in the Rugby Championship on Saturday.

Chief executive Mark Robinson said after the win that NZR would "take stock of the situation" this week.

And on Wednesday he added: "Some of the steps we've seen in recent weeks give us huge confidence going forward."

Foster, 57, succeeded Steve Hansen after the 2019 World Cup, but after the 2-1 series defeat by Ireland in July, assistant coaches John Plumtree and Brad Mooar were relieved of their duties.

Jason Ryan came in as forwards coach and selector. Joe Schmidt was appointed to work with Foster on strategy and attack, but the former Ireland coach is now set to become a full-time assistant coach. **BBC**

Sri Lanka Cricket future tours announced

Sri Lanka host Pakistan for two Test matches in June next year in what will be their first series of the International Cricket Council (ICC) Men's Future Tours Programme (FTP) for the period 2023-27 that was confirmed today.

The announcement of the FTP, a result of a collective effort of Full Members with ICC's support, ensures certainty of cricket fixtures with the confirmation of all bilateral series across the three formats. The exact dates and venues of the series are for the Members to announce in due course.

Sri Lanka, who have committed to playing all other Full Members during the FTP cycle, host Afghanistan for one Test and three T20Is next

year while they have a packed mid-2024 that sees them play two Tests in England and two Tests at home against New Zealand, both part of the third edition of the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) that runs from 2023-25.

Sri Lanka host Australia in early 2025 for two Tests that will also be part of the third WTC while India visit Sri Lanka for a Test series in August 2026 for WTC series of the following cycle (2025-27), during which they also play in Pakistan three months later.

WTC Series: Sri Lanka play Australia, New Zealand and Pakistan at home in the 2023-25 WTC while playing Australia, England and Pakistan away. In the 2025-27 WTC, they

play Bangladesh, India and South Africa at home. They will play in Bangladesh, India and New Zealand in away series.

The announcement of the Men's FTP comes a day after the first ever Women's FTP was announced.

ICC GM of Cricket Wasim Khan said: "I'd like to thank our Members for the effort that has gone into creating this FTP for the next four years. We are incredibly lucky to have three vibrant formats of the game, with an outstanding programme of ICC global events and strong bilateral and domestic cricket and this FTP is designed to allow all cricket to flourish."

Sri Lanka Cricket Chief Executive Officer Sri Lanka expressed satisfac-

tion at his team's fixtures in the new FTP.

Sri Lanka CEO Ashley de Silva said "Sri Lanka Cricket is extremely pleased with the new ICC FTP Cycle of 2023-27, which has been carefully designed to cater to the exponential growth experienced in all-formats of the game. We are happy with the number of bilateral series that our team is scheduled to play during the upcoming cycle that will cover Test, ODI and T20I formats of the game."

"The speciality of the FTP is that the majority of the Test matches are tied to the ICC World Test Championship, and this gives meaning for each tour, game, and member countries engaged in bilateral cricket." **(ICC media release)**

I, Jathunga Gamage Thambara Renuka (NIC No. 822651690V) of No. 181/2, Mihindu Mawatha, Dalupitiya, Mahara Kadawatha do hereby inform that the Power of Attorney No. 806 dated 6/9/2016 attested by E.G.A. Prasangani Attorney and Notary Public and granted by me to Fransis Kankanamge Uran Theekshana (NIC No. 913421795V) of Puwakwaththa, Nadugala, Matara is cancelled effective from 11/11/2021 and I will not be held responsible for any transaction by the aforesaid person.

Jathunga Gamage Thambara Renuka
11.11.2021

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Regional Manager, People's Bank, Regional Head Office, Tangalle Branch (2nd Floor), No. 146 A, Matara Road, Tangalle. Telephone Numbers - 047 2220903 / 047 2220902



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Kuliyapitiya, Narammala, Hettipola, Giriulla, Makandura, Bingiriya	Dummalasuriya, Udubaddawa, Bihalpola, Kandanedegara, Katupotha, Bandarakoswatta, Bammanna, Dambadeniya, Pannala, Weerapokuna	Kuliyapitiya - 028
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PROCUREMENT NOTICE
Supply and Delivery of Water Pumps for Northern, Eastern and Uva Provinces

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received a Credit from the International Development Association (IDA) in various currencies equivalent to US\$ 58.63 Million towards the cost of the Agriculture Sector Modernization Project (ASMP) of the Ministry of Agriculture and it intends to apply portion of the proceeds of this credit to eligible payments under the Contract of **Supply and Delivery of Water Pumps for Northern, Eastern and Uva Provinces.**
- The Chairman of Project Procurement Committee, Agriculture Sector Modernization Project, Ministry of Agriculture, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Supply and Delivery of Water Pumps for Northern, Eastern and Uva Provinces.

Description	Contract No.	Quantity	Value of the Bid Security (Rs.)	Non refundable Fee (Rs.)
Electric Water Pumps for Chili Project in Ampara District	LK-MOA- PMU-273414-GO-RFB	300 Nos.	540,000.00	7,500.00
Engine operated Water Pumps for Pineapple Project in Badulla District	LK-MOA-PMU-277608-GO-RFB	300 Nos.	540,000.00	7,500.00
Engine operated Water Pumps for Seed Potato Project in Badulla District	LK-MOA-PMU-277600-GO-RFB	220 Nos.	395,000.00	5,000.00
Engine operated Water Pumps for Banana/Chili Projects in Mullaitivu District	LK-MOA-PMU-277317-GO-RFB	250 Nos.	450,000.00	5,000.00

- Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure approved by the World Bank.
- Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from **Procurement Department, Agriculture Sector Modernization Project, Ministry of Agriculture** over the phone 0777419521 from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. on working days during the period from 18/08/2022 to 07/09/2022.
- A complete set of bidding documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address given below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee. The method of payment will be by cash to the Finance Manager of the Project.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 2.00 p.m. on 07/09/2022. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will not be accepted.
- Complete bids shall be forwarded in two copies as original and duplicate. The original and the duplicate shall be enclosed separately and marked as 'original' and 'duplicate' respectively in sealed envelopes. Both envelopes enclosed in a sealed single envelope and marked the contract number "Supply and Delivery of Water Pumps for Northern, Eastern and Uva Provinces" on top left-hand corner of the envelope.
- The address referred to above is :

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Folio No. 07 of Volume 2828 of Division M of the Land Registry Delkanda in Colombo District.	All that allotment of land Lot No. 6A 2B in Plan No. 7366 dated 24.11.2004 made by P.D.G. Weerasinghe licensed surveyor of the land called 'Henegodawatta' situated at Honnanthara in the Palle Pattu Salpiti Korale in the District of Colombo, Western Province and bounded on the, North by : Lot 1A East by : Lot 6A 2B South by : Footpath and Section of the 2131 map West by : Part of this land Extent : A:00 R:00 P:07	01. Deed of Gift No. 29506 written and attested by M.A. Weerasinghe Notary Public on 03.02.2005.

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Folio No. 87 of Volume 744 of Division M of the Land Registry Delkanda in Colombo District.	All that allotment of land marked Lot No. 1B depicted in the land called 'Maragahawatta, Maragahawatta and Tunhaua Delgahawatta' in the Plan No. 427 and dated 22.02.1963 of the land in the Palle Pattu Salpiti Korale in Pita Kotte in the District of Colombo, Western Province and bounded on the, North by : Lot 1D (Reservation for a road) East by : Lot No. C and Premises bearing Ass. No. 389, Main Road Kotte of the Roman Catholic Church. South by : Premises bearing Ass. No. 389, Main Road Kotte of the Roman Catholic Church Lot B in same land. West by : Lot 1A Extent : A:00 R:00 P:24.5	01. Deed of Transfer No. 2695 written and attested by A.B.W. Jayasekara Notary Public on 16.07.1963. 02. Deed of Gift No. 11061 written and attested by A.B.W. Jayasekara Notary Public on 05.04.1991 (21.22.23.03.1991)

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Folio No. 51 of volume 1374 of G Division of the Land Registry Homagama in Colombo District.	All that allotment of land marked Lot No. D depicted in the land called 'Dabugahawatta and Gorakagahawatta alias Mawanattha' in the plan No. 5450 and dated 21.04.2002 made by D. Kapugeekiyana Licensed Surveyor of the land in the Palle Pattu Hewagam Korale in Kottawa situated at District of Colombo, Western Province and bounded on the, North by : The Drain divided this land Lot No. C East by : Property owned by Boralugoda's Podisighe South by : The Drain divided this land Lot No. E West by : Lot F, G Extent : A:00 R:00 P:09.50	01. Deed of Gift No. 9385 written and attested by K.Gnanasiri Notary Public on 01.07.2002. 02. Deed of Declaration No. 13494 written and attested by K. Gnanasiri Notary Public on 27.05.2006. 03. Deed of Declaration No. 17296 written and attested by K. Gnanasiri Notary Public on 02.09.2010.

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NOTICE UNDER THE LAND REGISTERS RECONSTRUCTED FOLIO ORDINANCE (CAP. 120)

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- The Provisional Folio will be opened for inspection by any person or persons interested therein at the office of the Registrar of Lands, Kotapola from 19.08.2022 to 02.09.2022 between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on all working days.
- Any person desirous of lodging any objection against any entry included in a Provisional Folio or against any of the particulars contained in any such entry and any person desiring to make a claim for the insertion of any entry or of any particulars alleged to have been improperly omitted from any entry must do so, by an objection or claim in writing addressed to the undersigned which must be sent under Registered Cover and must reach the office of the Registrar General not later than 09.09.2022. The matter in respect of which the objection or claim is made must be clearly and fully set out in the objection or claim, and the objection or claim must be accompanied by all documentary evidence relies upon the support of it.

SCHEDULE

Particulars of Damaged Folios of the Land Registers	Particulars of Land	Particulars of Deeds Registered
Extract bearing No. 005/5/32844 of the Land Registry Kotapola in Matara District.	All that allotment of land marked in Plan 005/5/32844 & 05.03.1996 grant and presented by the Secretary to the President. North by : A.S.A. Joseph's land East by : Lindagawahenawatta and Bimbrigasawatta lands South by : Wicramage Themis residence land West by : Lindagawawatta Extent : A:00 R:01 P:35	01. No. 005/5/32844 & 05.03.1996 grant and presented by the Secretary to the President.

Registrar General's Department,
No. 234/A3,
Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha,
Battaramulla.

P.S.P. Abeywardhana
Registrar General

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Folio No. 73 of Volume 206 of Division F of the Land Registry Panadura in Kalutara District.	All that allotment of land lot B01B in Plan No. 7304 dated 03.06.1989 made by L.W.L. De Silva Licensed Surveyor of the land called 'Kongahawatte B01' situated at Wekada in the District of Kalutara, Western Province and bounded on the, North by : Land owned by Mrs. P.N. Rodrigu East by : People bearing the letter C of this land South by : Road West by : The B1A holders of this land mentioned in plan No. 7304 Extent : A:00 R:00 P:20	01. Deed of Transfer No. 1196 written and attested by W.B. Soysa, Notary Public on 25.07.1989. 02. Deed of Transfer No. 2963 written and attested by W.B. Soysa, Notary Public on 24.03.1992.

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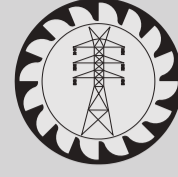
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Division and Branch Province	Bid No. / Item Description & Quantity	Bid closing date & Time	Place of Purchase of Bidding Documents & Contact TP. Nos.	Price of Bid Document (LKR)	Type of Bid ICB/ NCB
MATERIALS					
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/139 Supply & Delivery of Pipe Earth G.I. 1500 x 50mm – (500 Nos) for Provincial Warehouse CEB CP1	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial – CP1) , CEB, CP1, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. TP 081-2234324	1000.00	NCB
DD 03 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/CI/2K22/060 Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Ip Surveillance System at Cash Counter - Badulla	07/09/2022 15.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla. Tel : 0552222474	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (P&D)	DD4/P&D/ICB/2022/015/D (Item No 1 and 2 will be evaluated as two separate items) Supply and Delivery of (1)1.1 Programmable Static Energy Meter 10(100)A Class 1, Direct Connected Three Phase without remote disconnection, without Communication Modem – 4500 Nos. 1.2 PC Software and accessories including cables for local configuration (As per clause 5.1.4.3 and 5.2.7) – 1 Lot (2) 2.1 Programmable Static Energy Meter 10(100) A Class 1, Direct Connected Three Phase with remote disconnection, with Communication (GSM and GPRS/3G/4G Compatible) – 500 Nos. 2.2 PC End Modems compatible to above item No. 2.1. -15 Nos. 2.3 PC Software and accessories including cables for local configuration (As per clause 5.1.4.3 and 5.2.7) – 1 Lot	28/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the DGM (P&D) - DD4, C.E.B., 4 th Floor, No. 25, Council Lane, Dehiwala. 011-4204015	12,500.00	ICB
DD 04 (SP 1)	SP1/DGM/C5/214/22(N) Supply and Delivery of 6m/50kg Pre Stressed SPUN Concrete Poles. -100 Nos.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	DGM (SP-1)'s Office, CEB, 167, Matara Road, Galle. T.P.091-2232095	2,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 1)	SP1/DGM/C5/215/22(N) Supply and Delivery of 8.3m/100kg Pre Stressed SPUN Concrete Poles. -100 Nos.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	DGM (SP-1)'s Office, CEB, 167, Matara Road, Galle. T.P.091-2232095	2,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/T/2022/56 Supply and Delivery of Copper Bonded Steel Earth Rods - 500 Nos. / Connecting Clamps - 250 Nos.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Office of Deputy General Manager (Southern Province 2), Chief Engineer (C&CS) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.61/1A, Sea Avenue, Tangalle Tel. No. 047-2200888 Fax: 047-2241806	2,500.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/T/2022/57 Supply & Delivery of 100 Nos. of 13m (850kg) Pre Stressed Concrete poles	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,500.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/T/2022/58 Supply & Delivery of 100 Nos. of 13m (500kg) Pre Stressed Concrete poles	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,500.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/T/2022/59 Supply & Delivery of 200 Nos. of 11m (500kg) Pre Stressed Concrete poles	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	5,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/T/2022/60 Supply & Delivery of 300 Nos. of 11m (350kg) Pre Stressed Concrete poles	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	5,000.00	NCB
SERVICES					
Generation (LPP)	LV/T/2022/0155 Providing Laboratory Service to Fly Ash Analysis. (Please call for entry pass before visiting pre bid meeting at the Lakvijaya Power Plant. Contact 0706330700 Commercial Section.)	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Procurement Division, 4th Floor, Admin Building, Lakvijaya Power Plant, Ceylon Electricity Board, Narakkaliya, Norochcholai 61342. TP : 032 226 8964/77 / 071-5777171 Fax: 032 226 8980	5,000.00	NCB
Generation (MC)	MC/BOW/BIDS/2022/02 Hiring of a 12 seater passenger Van for Bowatenna Power Station (Driver and fuel shall be supplied by bidder) for a period of one year.	07/09/2022 11.00 hrs.	Bowatenna Power Station, Ceylon Electricity Board, Naula. Tel: 066 4928783 / 066 4928750 Fax: 066 4935599	1000.00	NCB
Generation (LC)	LC/LAX/QTN/2022/001 Obtaining service of a Hiring Vehicle (Passenger Van) to provide the official transport for Laxapana Power Station, CEB	08/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Deputy General Manager -Laxapana Complex, Laxapana. T.P. 051-2232084,051-2232085	1,000.00	NCB
Transmission	TR/O&MS/NCB/2020/23/D Prevention of Soil Erosion near Tower 359 of Balangoda – Galle 132kV Transmission Line	08/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Tr.O&M - Southern), Ceylon Electricity Board, Udugama Road, Bataduwa, Galle. 091-2241681	1,500.00	NCB
DD 01 (CC)	DGM(CC)/CE(CS)/PPC/2022/004 Janitorial Services for Cleaning of Area Office (Colombo South), CSC I, CSC II & Breakdown Depot	07/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 06.09.2022 011-2575930.	1,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (CC)	DGM(CC)/CE(P&D)/PPC/2022/005 Hiring of a Van for Electrical Engineer (Construction Unit), Colombo City (For 02 years)	07/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (CC)	DGM(CC)/CE(O)/EE(COM)/PPC/HV/2022/003 Hiring of a Crew Cab for Chief Engineer (Operations) Unit Colombo City	07/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 1)	DGM/NWP1/CEECM/T/2022/195 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Madurankuliya Consumer Service Center	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch, CEB, Narammala Road, Kuliyaipitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	CEB/NWP2/NCB/HV/22/0147 Hiring of a Van for the Official use of Engineer Assistant (Distribution Maintenance).	08/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	The Office of the Deputy General Manager (NWP -2), Ceylon Electricity Board, No.25, Rajapihilla Road, Kurunegala. T.No: 037- 2065498/ 070- 6430400 Fax : 037- 2065497	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	CEB/NWP2/NCB/HV/22/0148 Hiring of a Van for Electrical Superintendent (Office) of Kurunegala Area Office.	08/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	CEB/NWP2/NCB/HV/22/0149 Hiring of a Van for the Official use of Electrical Superintendent of Planning & Development Unit.	08/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	CEB/NWP2/NCB/HV/22/0150 Hiring of a Van for the Official use of Electrical Superintendent (Office) of Distribution Maintenance Unit.	08/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE (COM)/ RCEng. /2023 Registration of Chartered Electrical Engineers for North Western Province - 2 for the Year 2023	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R1/2023 Service Contractors Registration - 2023 Clearing of Wayleaves in Medium Voltage and Low Voltage Electricity Distribution Line.	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R2/2023 Service Contractors Registration - 2023 Contract of Disconnection and Reconnection Activities of Service Connection.	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R3/2023 Service Contractors Registration - 2023 Contract of Changing of Energy Meters, Meter Boxes, MCBs and Removal of all items related to Service Connections.	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R4/2023 Service Contractors Registration - 2023 Contract of Providing New Service Connections.	15/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R5/2023 Service Contractors Registration - 2023 Maintenance of Medium Voltage and Low Voltage Electricity Distribution Lines and Substations.	15/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 01 (NWP 2)	DGM/NWP2/CEE(COM)/R6/2023 Service Contractors Registration – 2023 Construction of Medium Voltage and Low Voltage Electricity Distribution Lines and Substations.	15/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/164 Hiring of a Van for ECSC at Poojapitiya of Galagedara Area for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial – CP1) , CEB, CP1, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. T.P 081-2234324	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/171 Hiring of a Van for ECSC at Udumbara of Kundasale Area for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/174 Hiring of a Motor Car for Area Electrical Engineer (Matale) for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/176 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Breakdown Service Supply in Meemure Village at ECSC Udumbara in Kundasale Area for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/184 Hiring of a (4WD) Van for Commercial Sub Unit of Katugastota Area for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/185 Hiring of a Van for ECSC at Wategama of Katugastota Area for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/187 Hiring of a Motor Car for Accountant (Revenue) Unit-CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/188 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Planning & Development) -CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/189 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) Unit-CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/190 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) -CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CPI/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/191 Hiring of a Motor Car for Area Electrical Engineer (Katugastota) for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB

Division and Branch Province	Bid No. / Item Description & Quantity	Bid closing date & Time	Place of Purchase of Bidding Documents & Contact TP. Nos.	Price of Bid Document (LKR)	Type of Bid ICB/ NCB
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/195 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit -CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/243 Hiring of a Van for Commercial Sub Unit in Mawanella Area for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial)-CP2, CEB, No.431, Colombo Road, Pilimathalawa. T.P 081-2270070	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/244 Hiring of a Van for CE(Distribution Maintenance) Unit -CP 2 for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/245 Hiring of a Motor Car for Area Electrical Engineer (Hanguranketha) Area for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1000.00	NCB
DD 02 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/247 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Commercial Sub Unit in Mawanella Area for a Period of 01 Year.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB
DD 02 (PHM)	PHM DD2/DGM/CE (LCM)/QD/2022/19 Lease a House for a period of Two years for use of Maintenance Gang - CE (LCM) PHM DD2 (around Gampaha, Udugampola and surrounding areas)	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Deputy General Manager (P&HM) DD2, Ceylon Electricity Board, P.O. Box. 18, Lamagaraya Road, Kandy. 081-2222287 / 081-2204298	500.00	NCB
DD 02 (PHM)	PHM DD2/DGM/CE(LCM)/QD/2022/11 Preliminary, profile survey for proposed 33kv double circuit tower line from Nalanda to Kawatayamuna Gantry	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/KR-V59/2022/03 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Centre - Pugoda	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	DGM(WPN)'s Office, CEB, No.280, Kandy Road, Kiribathgoda. Tel.011-2911071/72	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/DM-V143/2022/19 Hiring of a Van for Distribution & Maintenance Sub Office - Veyangoda	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/K-V34/2022/23 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center - Mawaramandiya	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/D-V90/2022/66 Hiring of a Van for Area Maintenance Unit-Divulapitiya	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/G-V60/2022/76 Hiring of a Van for Chief Electrical Engineer's Office - Gampaha	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/CON-V154/2022/136 Hiring of a Motor Car for Site Engineer I - (Construction)	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/DGM-V144/2022/164 Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) Unit	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/D-V132/2022/165 Hiring of a Van for Electrical Engineer's Office (Divulapitiya)	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/D-V85/2022/166 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center (Meerigama)	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/D-V134/2022/167 Hiring of a Van for Electrical Engineer's Office (Divulapitiya)	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/KR-V181/2022/168 Hiring of a Van for Commercial (Bulk Supply) Electrical Engineer's Office - Kirindiwela	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/J-V156/T/2022/170 Hiring of a Van for Electrical Engineer's Office (Bulk Supply) - Ja-Ela	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EM-V97/HV/2022/86 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer Energy Management Unit - Sabaragamuwa	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Office of the DGM, CE (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, New Town, Rathnapura. T.P No. 045-2225891-5, Fax - 045-2226084	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RUW-V82/HV/2022/87 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit - Gonagaldeniya CSC Ruwanwella	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/DM-V10/HV/2022/88 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Chief Engineer (Distribution Maintenance) Sabaragamuwa - Ruwanwella Gang	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/CON-V13/HV/2022/89 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Chief Engineer Construction Unit - Work Gang III	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RUW-V39/HV/2022/90 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit - ES (Office) Ruwanwella	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EMB-V55/HV/2022/91 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit (Embilipitiya)- CSC Embilipitiya	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EM-V06/HV/2022/92 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) Eheliyagoda Sub Unit	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EMB-V28/HV/2022/93 Hiring of a Double Cab 4 Wheel Drive for Godakawela Consumer Service Center	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RAT-V80/HV/2022/94 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Area Electrical Engineer Unit - Rathnapura	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RUW-V84/HV/2022/95 Hiring of a Crew Cab (4 Wheel Drive) for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit (Ruwanwella) - Deraniyagala Consumer Service Centre.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RUW-V85/HV/2022/96 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit - Ruwanwella	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/RAT-V48/HV/2022/97 Hiring of a Single Cab (2 Wheel Drive) for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit (Rathnapura)- Kalawana CSC.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EHE-V71/HV/2022/98 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Area Electrical Engineer's Unit (Eheliyagoda)- Kiriella CSC	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/CON-V15/HV/2022/799 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for Chief Engineer Construction Unit - Work Gang V	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EH/C3/BLDG/KIRIELLA CSC/2022 Rent a Building for Kiriella Consumer Service Center for a period of 02 years.	31/08/2022 14.00 hrs.	Office of the Electrical Engineers' (Eheliyagoda), Ceylon Electricity Board, P.O.Box. 03, Thalawitiya, Eheliyagoda. T.P. No. :- 036 2259978 Fax :- 36 2259978	500.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/DGM/CE(COM)/ Cleaning Service/2022/01 Cleaning service for the Office Complex & Units attached to Deputy General Manager (Sabaragamuwa) for a period of One (1) year.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Branch of Deputy General Manager (Sabaragamuwa), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit P.O.Box 09, New Town, Rathnapura. 045-222 5891-5	1,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (WPS 1)	WPS-1/PPC/T/V/2022/67 Hiring of a Van for office of the Chief Engineer (Rathmalana) Western Province South - I	01/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of DGM (WPS-1), 3rd Floor, Distribution Division 4 Head Quarters, Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 25, Council Lane, Dehiwala. 011-2638852	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (WPS 1)	WPS-1/PPC/T/V/2022/68 Hiring of a Van for office of the Chief Engineer (Rathmalana) Western Province South - I	01/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (WPS 1)	WPS-1/PPC/T/V/2022/69 Hiring of a Van for office of the Chief Engineer (Kalutara) Western Province South - I	01/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (WPS 1)	WPS-1/PPC/T/V/2022/70 Hiring of a Van for office of the Chief Engineer (Commercial) Western Province South - I	01/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 02)	Sp2/CE(C&CS)/vehicle/V27/2022/43 Hiring of a Double Cab (2WD) for use of Supply Officer, Chief Engineer (Commercial & Consumer Service) Unit of DGM SP2, Tangalle.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Southern Province 2), Chief Engineer, (C&CS) unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.61/1A, Sea Avenue, Tangalle Tel. No. 047-2200888 Fax: 047-2241806	1000.00	NCB

Chairman of the above Procurement Committees, on behalf of the Ceylon Electricity Board, now invites sealed Bids from potential Suppliers for the above mentioned items on the basis of International /National competitive Bidding. Bids should be submitted only on the bid documents purchased from the CEB.

Bidding Documents will be issued only to prospective Bidders or their accredited Agents. Wherever necessary they should get registered in terms of the Public Contracts Act No.3 of 1987.

Bidding Documents could be purchased by any prospective bidder or their accredited Agent on submission of a written request to the respective Deputy General Manager/Chief Engineer of the CEB upon payment of the amount indicated in Column 5 of the above table for each set of Bid Documents, between 0900 hrs. and 1500 hrs. on any working days till the day prior to the bid closing date. Payment shall be made in cash or bank draft drawn in favour of the General Manager, CEB.

Foreign Diplomatic Missions/ Trade Commissions may obtain information copies of the Bidding Documents, free of charge on submission of a written request. Bidding Documents may be inspected by the prospective bidder or their Agents at the office of the respective DGM/CE free of charge.

Bids will be opened immediately after the closing time of the bidding in the presence of bidders and their authorized representatives at the locations indicated in Column 4. Late bids shall be rejected.

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

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

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

With reference to the recently waived application of the Listing Rule 7.5 (b) (i) as decided by the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE), People's Leasing & Finance PLC (PLC) shall refrain from releasing printed copies of the Annual Report 2021/22 in response to written requests of shareholders for the financial year ended 31st March 2022.

Our Annual Report 2021/22 "Linked" could be electronically accessed from our corporate web site at https://www.plc.lk/pdf/ar/plc-annual-report-2021-22-English.pdf or official CSE website at https://www.cse.lk/pages/company-profile/company-profile.component.html?symbol=PLC.N0000.

Inquiries: Ms. Maneesha on 011-2631107 or via e-mail to maneeshak@plc.lk
Sgd. Ms. Shaalini Silva Company Secretary

TENDER NOTICE



RE-TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF RESTAURANT SERVICES AT THE CENTRAL BANK OF SRI LANKA (CBSL)

Since the service agreement of the service provider of the CBSL Restaurant is due to end soon, sealed tenders are invited by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) from experienced service providers for the supply of restaurant services for a period of 02 years commencing from 15.10.2022.

- 1. Registered institutions or individuals who have following experience as at 30.06.2022 are eligible to apply for the tender
a. having provided Restaurant services to an institution/institutions for a continuous period of at least 1 year, during the past 5 years and/or
b. having provided catering services in the past two years.
2. Selected tenderer shall provide a Performance Guarantee of a value determined by CBSL and shall enter into a written agreement with CBSL for continuing restaurant services during the whole of the agreement period.
3. Terms and conditions of the tender will be issued with the tender documents.
4. A Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled to be held on 24.08.2022 at 11:00 a.m. in the Ground Floor of the CBSL, to explain the services expected by the CBSL for those who are willing to submit a tender. Participation in this Pre-Bid Meeting is important.
5. Tender documents could be obtained from Staff Services Management Department during the period 18.08.2022 to 31.08.2022 between 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. after paying a non-refundable deposit of Rs. 1,000/-. Tender shall be closed on 31.08.2022 at 2:30 p.m. and will be opened immediately in the Ground Floor of the CBSL. Tenderers or authorized representatives of the tenderer can participate in the tender opening.

Director, Staff Services Management Department
(11th Floor of the 04th Tower),
Central Bank of Sri Lanka,
No:30, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1, Tel: 0112477482



Tender Notice
Rajarata University of Sri Lanka
Mihintale

Providing Photography Service of the 22nd General Convocation

The Chairperson, Department Procurement Committee of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for providing Photography Service for the 22nd General Convocation of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Mihintale which is scheduled to be held on the 12th and 13th October 2022.

Tenders will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure. Bidder should have at least three years of satisfactory experience in photographing convocations of Universities with a minimum of 1300 graduands and should not have been blacklisted.

Interested parties could obtain further information by T.P. 025-2266780 and inspect the tender documents from the office of the Deputy Registrar/Examinations & Academic during weekdays from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. up to 30.08.2022.

Eligible bidders could purchase the Tender document by submitting a written request along with the receipt for payment of a non-refundable fee of Rupees Five Thousand (Rs.5,000/-) to credit to the Account No. 088-1-1001-8-1725841, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Mihintale operating at People's Bank, Anuradhapura Branch or by cash paid to Shroff, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka. Tender document/s will be issued up to 15.00 hrs. on 30.08.2022 on working days.

Duly completed tender documents could be inserted into sealed envelopes, marked the name of the quotation, IFB No: RUSL/conv22/2022, and the closing date on the top left-hand corner of the envelope, should either be sent to receive before 14.00 hrs. on 31/08/2022 by Registered Post to Chairperson, Department Procurement Committee, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Mihintale, or insert into the tender box kept at the Office of the Registrar, 2nd Floor, Main Administration Building, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, Mihintale.

Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for tender submission in the presence of bidders/ representatives who choose to attend. Late tenders will be returned unopened. The decision of the Department Procurement Committee shall be final.

Chairperson
Department Procurement Committee
Rajarata University of Sri Lanka
Mihintale
16.08.2022

AUCTION OF UNREDEEMED GOLD ARTICLES

Gold articles left as security for gold loans at Vavuniya, Balangoda, Moratuwa, Kalutara, Kurunegala, Galle, Medawachchiya, Polonnaruwa, Dehiattakandiya, Kanthale, Walapane, Kandy, Chilaw, Kegalle, Nikaweratiya, Bandarawela, Monaragala, Kirulapone (City Branch), Ampara, Mannar, Mallavi, Ratnapura, Batticaloa, Dembulula, Hottori, Horana, Jaffna, Matara, Nuwara-Eliya, Puttalam, Trincomalee, Matale, Poltuvil, Thissamaharamaya, Badulla, Galenbindunuwewa, Gampaha, Ja-Ela, Negombo, Nittambuwa, Kaduwela, Nelliyadi, Wennappuwa, Padaviya, Welimada, Anuradhapura, Mullaitivu, Muthugama, Nochchiyagama and Nawala Head Office branches up to 30/04/2022, and not redeemed or renewed by 24/08/2022, will be sold by public

Auction Date : 25/08/2022
Auction Time : 10.30 am
Auction Venue : No. 61, D.S. Senanayake Mawatha, Colombo 08.
Participants to the auction must produce their National Identity Cards.
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Fax: 0112 679 289
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Information Technology Resources Development Authority Western Province

Invitation for Bids (IFB)(WP/ITRDA/AD/PU/ICT/4/WPC-01)

Support Contract Renewal & Maintenance of Network Infrastructure Management Software Licenses, Networking, Security, IT Equipment, Accessories, Server Room (Environment Monitoring System, IP Camera System, Door Access Control System and 30KVA UPS System); Western Provincial Council Building - Battaramulla

The Chairman, Procurement Committee (PC), on behalf of IT Resources Development Authority, Western Province invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Support Contract Renewal & Maintenance of Network Infrastructure Management Software Licenses, Networking, Security, IT Equipment, Accessories, Server Room (Environment Monitoring System, IP Camera System, Door Access Control System and 30KVA UPS System) : Western Provincial Council Building - Battaramulla. Detailed description of the Requirements and Specifications is given in the bidding document.

Bidding will be conducted using the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure that shall be governed by the procurement guidelines of Government of Sri Lanka and is open to all eligible bidders that meet the eligibility and qualification requirements given in the bidding documents. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Director, IT Resources Development Authority (WP), Sri Sangaraja Mawatha, Colombo 10 and inspect the bidding documents during office hours on working days commencing from August 17, 2022 at the above address. Telephone: 011-2381125, fax 011-2381122 Email: info@itrda.wv.gov.lk. Bidding Documents are also available on www.itrda.wv.gov.lk and https://www.promise.lk/ only for inspection purposes.

Chairman
Procurement Committee
Information Technology Resources Development Authority - Western Province



PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Ministry of Plantation

Tea Smallholdings Development Authority
Obtaining of Vehicle Fleet Insurance Coverage for the year 2022/2023

Sealed bids will be received to obtain Insurance Coverage from Insurance companies registered with the IRCSL institution for full insurance, for one year period from 20.09.2022 up to 19.09.2023, for 25 vehicles and 34 motorbikes, belonging to the Tea Small Holdings Development Authority.

Quotations will be received to obtain vehicle fleet insurance coverage from 18.08.2022 up to 15.09.2022. Relevant bid forms containing the application and the conditions can be obtained up to 2.00 p.m. on 15.09.2022, from the Finance Section of the head office at No. 70, Parliament Road, Pelawatte, Battaramulla, on payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 3,000/=. Any institution will be issued only one set of bid documents and to obtain the bid documents, a recommending letter from the head of the institution should be submitted, completed bids could either be sent by registered post or placed in the tender box kept at the services section of this Authority, to be received at or before 2.00 p.m. on 15.09.2022.

All quotations received will be opened at 2.30 p.m. on 15.09.2022 and an authorized officer from the institution can be present at the bid opening. Quotations in two copies in separate sealed covers, as original and duplicate, placed in a single sealed cover should be marked, Insurance coverage for vehicle fleet and relevant Bid No. 01.08.2022/0100001 - 2022/2023 at the left side top corner. Further details can be obtained by calling tel No. 011-7909020 or 50.

Chairman,
Procurement Committee,
Tea Smallholdings Development Authority,
No. 70, Parliament Road,
Pelawatte, Battaramulla.

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

REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, HILARY SIXTUS PETER ANANDAPPA and GLADWYN EMMANUEL CAITAN ANANDAPPA, Directors of A.P. CASIE CHITTY AND COMPANY WHOLESAL (PRIVATE) LIMITED of No. 122, Union Place, Colombo 02 do hereby revoke the Special Power of Attorney bearing No. 3128 dated 23rd November, 2021 attested by D.L.H. Ganlath, Notary Public of Colombo appointing MAHAWITHANA ARACHCHILAGE SANATH SRILAL KUMARA (Holder of National Identity No. 19632800108) of No. 413/10, Gurduniya, Maligathenna as its Attorney for the purposes mentioned therein and we hereby inform the General Public that he has ceased to act as its Attorney with effect from the 23rd June 2022 and we will not be responsible for any acts or things which the said MAHAWITHANA ARACHCHILAGE SANATH SRILAL KUMARA may have attended to in its name or on its behalf from 23rd June 2022 and/or may hereafter attend. HILARY SIXTUS PETER ANANDAPPA and GLADWYN EMMANUEL CAITAN ANANDAPPA, Directors of A.P. CASIE CHITTY AND COMPANY WHOLESAL (PRIVATE) LIMITED. 16th August 2022

INVITATION TO BID

Registrar General's Department
PROVISION OF SANITARY SERVICES

The Chairman of the Departmental Procurement Committee will accept Bids till 2.00 p.m. on 07.09.2022 in relation to the provision of sanitation services by employing sanitation workers from 16.09.2022 to 15.09.2023 for the head office and 63 regional branch offices of this department.

- 02. Bids are open to all offices for which bids have been invited as per the bid documents or to all offices falling under a zone in the list of offices zonewise. Bid documents can be obtained by submitting the receipt to the Accountant (Supply) on payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 3500.00 to the Shroff at the Head Office of this Department, till 07.09.2022 at 10.00 a.m. Further details are available from the Accountant (Supply) on 011 3070870. Bid documents may be inspected at this office free of charge, if required.
03. Completed bid documents shall be sealed in 02 copies with a bid security of Rs. 580,000.00 as per bid conditions and deposited in the tender box kept at this office or sent by registered post to Registrar General, Registrar General's Department, No. 234/A3, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla. The top left corner of the cover of the tender container should be marked "INVITATION OF BIDS FOR SUPPLY OF SANITARY SERVICES 2022/09".
04. Tenders will be opened on 07.09.2022 at 2.00 p.m. and bids received on no way form thereafter will be refused.

Registrar General,
Procurement Committee Chairman,

Registrar General's Department,
No. 234/A3,
Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha,
Battaramulla.

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 07 OF THE LAND ACQUISITION ACT (CHAPTER 460) AS AMENDED BY THE LAND ACQUISITION (AMENDMENT) ACT No. 28 OF 1964

My No : GM/DS/2020/2/2/1/167/CH/EA
Land Ministry Ref. No : 4-3/7/2020/HW/130

The Government intends to acquire the Land/Lands described in the Schedule below. For further particulars, please see the Extraordinary Gazette No. 2281/38 dated 27.05.2022 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Table with 2 columns: Field and Value. Includes Province, District, Divisional Secretary's, Division, Grama Niladhari Divisions, Name of Village, Preliminary Plan No., Lot Nos., Extent (Hectare).

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PROCUREMENT NOTICE

STATE PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION OF SRI LANKA

The Chairman, Procurement Committee of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation of Sri Lanka, Colombo 5 invites sealed quotations from registered and previous sources for following items and bids will be closed at the respective times on the dates given below and will be opened immediately thereafter.
(E-mail/Fax offers as well as FOB offers are not acceptable)

Sealed bids may be sent by post under registered cover or may be personally deposited in the box available for this purpose at Administration Department of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation at "Mehewara Piyasa" 16th Floor, No. 41, Kirula Road, Colombo 5, Sri Lanka.

Bidders or their authorised representatives will be permitted to be present at the time of opening of bids.

PHARMACEUTICAL ITEMS

Bid Number	Closing Date	Closing Time	Item	Quantity
DHS/RP/138/2022	25.08.2022	2.30 P.M	Cholecalciferol Tablet 5,000IU	100,000 Tabs.
DHS/RP/ICL/021/2022	23.08.2022	2.30 P.M	Macrogol 3,350/4,000 oral powder sachet	16,000 Sachets.
DHS/RP/ICL/022/2022	23.08.2022	2.30 P.M	Factor VIII 200-350 IU with (VW Factor)	5,000 Vials.

Bids should be prepared as per particulars given in the Bidding Documents available at the Head Office of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation of Sri Lanka, "Mehewara Piyasa", 16th Floor, No. 41, Kirula Road, Colombo 5.

Wherever necessary potential bidder/bidders should get registered in terms of the Public Contracts Act No.3 of 1987 before collecting the Bidding Documents and also should get the contract registered after the tender is awarded.

CHAIRMAN, DEPARTMENTAL PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE
STATE PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION OF SRI LANKA
"Mehewara Piyasa" 16th Floor,
No. 41, Kirula Road,
Colombo 5, SRI LANKA.

FAX : 00 94-11- 2582496
TELEPHONE : 00 94-11- 2326227
E-MAIL : pharma.manager@spc.lk

TO LEASE OUT A RESTAURANT PREMISES LOCATED AT DR. WIJEWARDHANA MAWATHA, COLOMBO 10

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:

Expression of Interest (EOI) are called from qualified entrepreneurs to operate a quality restaurant at plot of land space with two storied building (36.13P) at McCullum Entrance Park, DR Wijewardhana Mawatha, Colombo 10.

CONDITIONS OF BIDDING:

- The bidder should have at least 10 years of experience in high-end catering and hospitality sector, managing hotels, restaurants, and hospitality services etc.
- The bidder should have financial capacity to establish and operate a quality restaurant with trained staff and management. The bidder should submit with the bid proof of financial capacity supported by last three years' audited balance sheets of the bidder or the associated company.
- The financial bid must be minimum monthly rental over Rs. 830,000/-
- In addition to the minimum monthly rental, the bidder shall pay a sum of Rs. 500,000/- being 50% of the chief valuer's valuation for the common use of the car park and the building located in the car park.
- The successful bidder shall be entitled to obtain a lease for a period of 5 years, extendable for another period of 5 years on enhanced rental of 20%.
- The successful bidder shall deposit a refundable deposit of equivalent to 6 months' rental before signing the indenture of lease.
- The successful bidder shall have no right to sublet or sublease the premises without the prior written consent of the lessee.
- The successful bidder shall maintain the car park premises let to him and adjacent 2 plots of land sat its own expense.
- The premises could be inspected by the prospective bidders from 10.00am to 1.00pm on August 23, 2022 (No request is entertained thereafter)
- The successful bidder shall employ at least two security guards in the whole premises at a time
- The successful bidder shall pay water bills and electricity bills without fail
- The intended bidder shall deposit a refundable deposit of Rs. 50,000/- as a security to A/C number 046-1001-7000-0625 of People's Bank, First City branch and attach the slip of such deposit to the application for the bidding document
- The bidding documents can be obtained from our office at below address, information can be obtained by calling to below telephone numbers
- The bid should be sent via registered post to reach to below address on or before September 2, 2022.

Bidder should write "Bid for the Restaurant Premises" on the upper left side of the cover of the envelope
Any additional information can be obtained by contacting below persons via given telephone numbers

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Office : +9411 238 22 56 (Telephone/Fax)

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Address:

Chief Executive Officer
Sri Lanka Port Management & Consultancy Services (Pvt) Ltd
19, Chaithya Road
Colombo 01

CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD (Western Province South II)

REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS & CONTRACTORS FOR THE WESTERN PROVINCE SOUTH II DISTRIBUTION DIVISION - 03 FOR THE YEAR 2023

Applications are invited from Manufacturers, Distributors, Agents, Suppliers and Contractors for supplying and providing services to Western Province South II of Ceylon Electricity Board, during the year 2023.

Following Area Electrical Engineer's Units, Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit and Chief Engineer (Distribution & Maintenance) Unit have been included for the said requirement, within Western Province South II

- > Area Office Avissawella
- > Area Office Bandaragama
- > Area Office Homagama
- > Area Office Horana
- > Area Office Sri Jayawardanepura

Note: Suppliers/Contractors who are already registered for the undermentioned item categories for year 2022 and,

- wish to continue the service for the same item/s or service/s for the year 2023, shall also obtain the relevant form of application and submit the same in due time with applicable registration fee/s.
- wish to register for any other new item/service for year 2023, they shall purchase and submit the relevant supplier registration documents for their new items/services.

ITEM CATEGORIES

1. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/01

Registration of Suppliers for Supply of Materials and Services

1.1 Materials

Material Material Category Code

M-1	MCCB, MCB, ELCB, RCCB, Cut-outs, Fuse Links, HRC fuse, Fuse Carriers, Neutral links, Cu Bus bars, Cu Sockets, Bi-Metallic sockets, Exothermic welding mould & metal, etc
M-2	Line hardware Items
M-3	Electrical Fittings, Halogen Fittings, Flood Light Fittings, Street Lamps, Main Switches, Electrical Appliances, etc.
M-4	Electrical Safety equipment including safety uniforms, Tools, Measuring Instruments, Ladders, etc.
M-5	Insulated Copper and Al. Cables of all sorts, Bare Al & Cu Conductors and Binding wires
M-6	Jointing Kits (Compound Type, Heat Shrinkable and Resin Type), Right Angle Tape, Boots, Straight Boots, Tubing, Black Cotton Tape, Empire Tapes, Linen Tapes, Oil Impregnated, Oil Resisting Tape, Bitumen Compound, Plumbing Metal, Tin Solder.
M-7	Meter Boxes (Wooden), Meter Boxes (PVC), Meter Boards, Metal enclosures, etc.
M-8	Stationery
M-9	Tyres & Tubes for Motor Vehicles
M-10	Computers, Printers, Computer & Network accessories, etc.
M-11	Supply of Sand, Metal & Cement for Sri Jayawardanepura, Avissawella, Horana, Homagama and Bandaragama Area.

1.2 Services

Service Service Category Code

S-1	Supply of Security, Janitorial Services.
S-2	Repairing and Servicing of Motor Vehicles
S-3	Printing
S-4	Transport of RC, wooden and pre-stressed poles, transformers and other materials
S-5	Contractors for civil works
S-6	Services for building Repairs and Renovations (Plumbing, Sewerage, Aluminum Fabrications and Steel works)
S-7	Services for Drafting (Preparation of Council Drawings and Construction Drawings, Etc)

2. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/02

Registration of Pole Suppliers for Supply and Delivery of

- Reinforced Concrete poles.
- Pre-stressed / Spun Concrete poles.

3. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/03

Registration of Contractors for undertaking Construction of New Service Connections, LT new Construction & Associated works, LT Maintenance & MV/LV breakdown restoration works and Other Cost Recovery works in WPS II.

4. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/04

Registration of Contractors for Construction and Maintenance of Electricity Distribution lines and Substations.

5. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/05

Registration of Contractors for Way Leave Clearance around MV/LV Electricity Distribution lines and Substations.

6. Reference No.: WPSII / SupReg2023/06

Registration of Contractors for Laying and Maintenance of Underground Electricity Distribution lines (33kV/11kV & LT).

General Conditions :

A complete set of documents/information copies for Registration of Suppliers & Contractors (Applications) could be obtained from the Office of the Deputy General Manager (WPS II), Chief Engineer (Commercial) - WPS II Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, 1st Floor, 644 Sri Jayawardanepura Mawatha, Ethulkotte on any working day from 18th August 2022 to 20th September 2022 between 9.00h and 14.00h on payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs.1,000.00 per item in cash or Bank Draft drawn in favour of the General Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board for each item category as mentioned above.

The document shall be duly completed and returned by registered post or deposited in the tender box in the Office of the Deputy General Manager (WPS II), Ceylon Electricity Board, 1st Floor, 644, Sri Jayawardanepura Mawatha, Ethulkotte on or before 21st September 2022 at 1000 h. The top left-hand side of envelope containing application/documents shall be marked the **Reference No & "Registration of Suppliers & Contractors - 2023"**.

Applicants are required to submit the documents separately for each reference number.

Applicants shall submit **documents/information** copies separately for each CSC area for category no. 3 and 5.

The application received after the scheduled time : 21st September 2022 at 10.00 h will not be entertained and will not be considered for further evaluation.

The application registration fee for the Supplies/Contractors who are already registered for 2022 and wish to continue the service for the same item/s or service/s in 2023, will be Rs.5,000.00 for a single item/service, which is non-refundable and applicable for the year 2023 only.

For further clarifications, contact Chief Engineer (Commercial) - WPS II and the contact details are given below :

Deputy General Manager (WPS II)

Ceylon Electricity Board, 1st Floor, 644, Sri Jayawardanepura Mawatha, Ethulkotte.
Tel. No : 011-2880600 Fax : 011-2880694
Email : cecomwps2.dd3@ceb.lk



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INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) SRI LANKA CRICKET



Supply, Delivery, Installation, Commissioning, Testing, and Maintenance of Prime Rated Generators for International Cricket Stadiums in Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) Headquarters.

TENDER REFERENCE: SLC/ADM/074 -2022

Sri Lanka Cricket now invites sealed bids from the eligible bidders for Supply, Delivery, Installation, Commissioning, Testing, and Maintenance of Prime Rated Generators for International Cricket Stadiums in Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) Headquarters as specified below;

Lot	Details		
	Capacity	Quantity	Location
Lot A	25 kVA	01 Number	Cricket Academy - Matara
Lot B	100 kVA	01 Number	Pallekele International Cricket Stadium
Lot C	150 kVA	01 Number	Galle International Cricket Stadium
Lot D	200 kVA	03 Numbers	01 No at Rangiri Dambulla International Cricket Stadium
			01 No at R. Premadasa International Cricket Stadium
			01 No for Headquarters of Sri Lanka Cricket
Lot E	225 kVA	01 Number	R. Premadasa International Cricket Stadium

Bidders are allowed quote one or more lots

The successful bidders shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet ICTAD registration under the category of EM-1.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Manager Procurement, (Tel :0112681601-4 Ext. 212, Email: sampath.pushpakumara@srlankacricicket.lk) and inspect the document at the Administration Division, Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07.

A complete set of Bidding Document in English Language may be purchased by eligible bidders during normal working days with a **written submission** (Monday to Friday, between 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. from 18th August 2022 to 9th September 2022) from the Administration Department, Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07, upon a payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs.10,000/- in cash inclusive taxes.

Pre bid meeting will be held on 30th August 2022 at 14:30 hrs at the 1st Floor of the North Building, R. Premadasa International Cricket Stadium, Maligawatta Road, Colombo-10.

Bid shall be delivered in duplicate (clearly marked Original and Duplicate separately and sealed separately) to The Head of Administration, Sri Lanka Cricket, No. 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07 on or before 15:00 hrs on 12th September 2022. Alternatively, Bids may be sent by registered post to reach before the closing time of the Bid.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid-Security (shall be an unconditional guarantee issued by a reputable bank operating in Sri Lanka) as specified in the bidding document.

Late bids will be rejected, and the valid bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders/representatives who choose to attend at the opening of bids.

Sri Lanka Cricket
No. 35, Maitland Place,
Colombo 7

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) SRI LANKA CRICKET



Sri Lanka Cricket now invites sealed bids from the eligible bidders for the following Contracts;

Name of the Contract	Description															
1. Supply and Delivery of 16 Numbers Brand New Double Drum Rollers (2.5 Ton)	Tender Reference No : SLC/ADM/055 -2022															
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	Lot A	Supply and Delivery of 4 Units of Out Field Cutters with Accessories.	Sri Lankan Rupees 600,000.00													
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Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding Procedure.

Pre Bid Meeting is scheduled to be held at 11.00 am 25th August 2022 at the Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Manager Procurement, (Tel : 0112681601-4 Ext. 214, Email: sampath.pushpakumara@srlankacricicket.lk) and inspect the document at the Administration Division, Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07.

A complete set of Bidding Document in English Language may be purchased by eligible bidders during normal working days with a **written submission** (Monday to Friday, between 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. from 19th August 2022 to 07th September 2022) from the Administration Department, Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 07, upon a payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs.10,000/- in cash inclusive taxes for each tender.

Bids in duplicate shall be sealed and addressed to The Head of Administration – Sri Lanka Cricket, Sri Lanka Cricket, No 35, Maitland Place, Colombo 7 and submitted on or before 3.00 p.m. on 08th September 2022.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid-Security as specified in the above table and shall be an unconditional guarantee issued by a reputable bank operating in Sri Lanka. Other types of securities shall not be accepted.

Dully filled and sealed bids shall marked the relevant tender name on the top left hand corner of the cover. Late bids will be rejected. The valid bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders/representatives who choose to attend at the opening of bids.

Sri Lanka Cricket
No. 35, Maitland Place,
Colombo 7



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 (as amended) that the Commission proposes to grant license for the purpose of generating electricity to the following applicants, 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/22/25	Eco Solar One Pvt Ltd	Eco Solar One Power Project, 5000kW	Punnani,Komlei Pattu, Baticaloa	5.00	Solar PV
E/AL/N/22/26	Eco Solar Two Pvt Ltd	Eco Solar Two Power Project, 5000kW	Punnani,Komlei Pattu, Baticaloa	5.00	Solar PV
E/AL/N/22/27	K.D Ebert & Sons Solar Power Suppliers Pvt Ltd	Horana 1 SBSP 11 Solar PV Power Plant	Godaduhena, Dewamulla, Govinna	1.00	Solar PV

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
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Date: 18.08.2022



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF SRI LANKA

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 21(2) OF THE SRI LANKA ELECTRICITY ACT, NO. 20 OF 2009

INTENTION TO GRANT EXEMPTION

The Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka ("the Commission") hereby gives notice pursuant to Section 21(2) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No.20 of 2009 (as amended) that the Commission intends to grant exemption to the applicant identified below for the purpose of distributing and supply of electricity (obtain 11 kV electricity supply from the Ceylon Electricity Board and supply the same to the Management Corporations of the Havelock City apartment complex) only within the specified/respective premises as it has a limited distribution network within their premises and the quantum of energy distribution is low.

Application Ref. No.	Applicant	Premises	Nature of consumers
E/AE-D/22/04	Mireka Capital Lands (Pvt) Ltd	No.324,Havelock Road, Colombo 06	Residential

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.

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