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RAGAMA DEVALE CUSTODIANS

It has been revealed that money given by the devotees for the maintenance and improvements of the

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President urges China to change tune on debt as IMF visits

correspondent and RYOSUKE HANADA. Mumbai Bureau Chief

Sri Lanka is urging China to dra-

matically change its stance on debt

relief, President Ranil Wickremesinghe told Nikkei Asia in an exclusive interview, conceding that reaching a deal will be no simple task. The appeal to China, Sri Lanka's largest

bilateral lender, has emerged as a formidable challenge to Wickremesinghe, who is leading the country's financial team as it attempts to rebuild an economy TO PAGE **02**

IMF, SRI LANKA BEGIN TALKS R BAILOUT PACKAGE

ANOTHER ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS ON FRIDAY

A preliminary round of discussions with the International Monetary Fund, with the aim of finding solutions to the financial crisis facing Sri Lanka, was held yesterday afternoon (24) at the Presidential Secretariat under the patronage of President Ranil Wickremesinghe.

Discussions focused on the financial crisis Sri Lanka is currently facing. It was further decided to hold another round of discussion on Friday, TOPAGE 02



A preliminary round of discussions with the International Monetary Fund, with the aim of finding solutions to the financial crisis facing Sri Lanka, was held at the President's Office under the patronage of President Ranil Wickremesinghe yesterday. Picture by President's Media Division

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE and

TONY KARUNANAYAKE

Two men on a motorcycle opened

Revenge killing in Batapotha

fire at a trader selling building mate- age Anuradha Pushpakumara (34),

rial in Kehelbaddara, Batapotha in of Nedagamuwa, Gampaha. 10 PAGE 02

No rice shortage after February, imports

will be suspended - Minister

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA

Man who wore 'uniform' in protest arrested

LAHIRU FERNANDO

The Colombo Fort Police arrested an individual over charges of being a member of an unlawful assembly and wearing a dress similar to the uniform of

security forces during that assembly, which was held in front of the Police Headquarters on June 9, on Tuesday. TO PAGE 02

Japanese Ambassador meets President

A meeting was held between President Ranil Wickremesinghe and Japanese Ambassador Mizukoshi Hideaki at the President's Office yesterday morning (24). The Japanese Ambassador conveyed the greetings of Emperor Hironomiya Narahito to President Ranil Wickremesinghe and thereafter the duo engaged in a friendly conversation. TO PAGE 02

TWO SHIPS WITH DIESEL, CRUDE OIL **BEGIN UNLOADING**

DHARMA SRI ABEYRATNE Power and Energy Minister Kanchana Wijesekera said the unloading of a super diesel cargo, which contains 30,000 metric metric tonnes will begin today. TO PAGE 02

West to remove travel advisories

- Minister SHIRAJIV SIRIMANE

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Tourism Minister Harin Fernando said that several Western countries will

be removing the adverse travel advisories against Sri Lanka soon. TO PAGE **04**

Fr. Jeewantha, Stalin and Nagamuwa bailed

SHAVINI MADHARA

Rev. Fr. Jeewantha Peiris, General Secretary of the Ceylon Teachers' Union Joseph Stalin and activist Duminda Nagamuwa who appeared in Court over an incident where they forcefully entered the Presi-

PSC to find why

into default

SHIROMI ABEYSINGHE

Committee (PSC)

na said. TO PAGE 02

SHAVINI MADHARA

will be appointed by

Sri Lanka slipped

President Ranil Wickremesinghe

to find out why Sri Lanka slipped

into default and those responsible

for it, UNP MP Vajira Abeywarde-

Kerner shows up,

warrant recalled,

Counsel apologises

Colombo Additional Magistrate

Harshana Kekunawela yesterday recalled the arrest warrant issued

against Social Media activist Dr.

Pathum Kerner, after he surren-

dered to court. TO PAGE 02

dent's Office were released on bail by Colombo Fort Magistrate Thilina Gamage. The Magistrate ordered for the suspects to be released on personal bail of Rs.500,000 each. The Magistrate also imposed a travel ban on them. TO PAGE **04**

President to present Interim **Budget on August 30**

President Ranil Wick- of the Second Reading

remesinghe as Finance of the Appropriation Minister will present (Amendment) Bill on the inaugural speech August 30. TO PAGE 02

May 9 fracas: Sanath, Milan,

Dan told to surrender mobiles

SHAVINI MADHARA

Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP)

MPs Sanath Nishantha, Milan Jayatilleke

and Dan Priyasad have been TOPAGE 04

Party leader remanded for

shielding murder suspect

GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE

the leader of Ape Janabala Party Saman

Welikanda rehab inmates

protest over assaults

MADUSHANI ABEYSINGHE in Siripura

Navasenapura Rehabilitation Centre in

Over 200 inmates in the Welikanda

Perera on the charge TOPAGE 02

Tangalle police yesterday arrested

Agriculture Minister Mahinda Amaraweera assured that there will be no shortage of rice in the future. 10 PAGE 02 **Import of 300 items**

suspended from Tuesday The import of over 300 items has been temporarily suspended with effect

All State sector employees to work as usual

from August 23 TO PAGE **02**

All employees of the State-owned enterprises have been called to their respective work places for duty from yesterday (24), the Finance Ministry

Issuing a circular, Treasury Secretary Mahinda Siriwardana said employees of all the TO PAGE 04

Man survives shooting

ANURADHA PRIYADARSHANA

An accomplice of underworld kingarea yesterday. TO PAGE 02

Hirunika's abduction case: Trial re-fixed

the Gampaha district killing him

on the spot. The victim has been

identified as Basnayake Appuhamyl-

several times **DILSHAN THARAKA**

The case filed against former UNP Parliamentarian Hirunika Premachandra for alleged involvement in the abduction of a youth using a Defender, was re-fixed for trial on November 16 by the Colombo High Court. TO PAGE 02

Gazettes to control prices futile in a

SJB MP Eran Wickramaratne yesterday emphasized that the government should understand that since the country has a market economy today, controlling prices through the gazette is

an outdated method. TO PAGE 02

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Ratnapura Principal remanded over sexual abuse of students

DHARMA SRI ABEYRATNE

The National Child Protection Authority (NCPA) has arrested the principal of a leading boys' school in Ratnapura on charges of sexually abusing students. TO PAGE 02

for second time **GAYAN KUMARA WEERASINGHE** and The inmates protesting outside the centre.

pin Kosgoda Sujee narrowly escaped a shooting aimed at him at Ahungalla



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IMF, SRI LANKA BEGIN TALKS ... From page 01

the 26th and to discuss technical issues with the officials of the Central Bank in

Peter Breuer, Head of the International Monetary Fund's Negotiation Panel, Deputy Head Masahiro Nozaki, Tubagus Feridhanusetyawan, Permanent Representative of the International Monetary Fund in Sri Lanka, and Chief of Staff to the President and Senior Advisor to the President on National Security Sagala Ratnayake, Secretary to the President Saman Ekanayake, Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe and several others were present.

The IMF delegation also met Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe yesterday and discussed to reach a stafflevel agreement.

The Governor said that this is the 16th occasion that they are discussing with the IMF and the talks focused on restructuring debt of about US\$ 29 billion and also to finalize a bailout package for Sri

IMF's Resident Representative for Sri Lanka, Tubagus Feridhanusetyawan and Finance Secretary Mahinda Siriwardana also participated in this discussion held at the Central Bank premises yesterday.

"A detailed summary of the discussions would be made available soon," the Governor said. Sri Lanka has US\$ 9.6 bn in bilateral debt and its private credit, which includes international sovereign bonds, that stands at US\$ 19.8 bn, Finance Ministry data show. An International Monetary Fund (IMF) mission team led by Peter Breuer and Masahiro Nozaki visited Colombo from June 20 to 30, 2022 to discuss IMF support for Sri Lanka. This IMF team would be in Sri Lanka until 31

Import of 300 items ... From page 01

under the Import and Export Control Act through a government notification by the Finance Ministry.

President Ranil Wickremesinghe, as Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies Minister has issued these regulations in terms of the powers vested in him by Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969.

Cited as the "Imports and Exports (Control) Regulations No. 13 of 2022", it temporarily suspends the importation of items listed under 305 HS Codes, effective from August 23 and effective until further notice.

However, it states that any goods specified

in these Regulations, which have been shipped on board with the date of Bill of Lading / Airway Bill on or before August 23, 2022 and which arrived at any sea ports or airports in Sri Lanka on or before September 14, 2022, shall be allowed for Customs clear-

It also says that the regulation shall not be applied for importation of any goods, specified in the these Regulations, by any enterprises / operators, approved under the Temporary Importation for Export Purposes (TIEP) Scheme of the Sri Lanka Customs or any enterprises approved under Section 17 of the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (BOI) Act.

PSC to find why Sri Lanka... From page 01

He said that it would be done after Parliament Committees are appointed.

The MP said Wickremesinghe has stressed that defaulting on debt should not be somebody's arbitrary decision, but should have followed the Articles 148, 149, 150 and 151 of the Constitution. "If the due procedure had

not been followed, it is the responsibility of Parliament to reveal who was behind it. It must be investigated whether they acted on an agenda of another country," he said.

The MP added that Wickremesinghe can usher in the system change that the people

Welikanda rehab inmates ... From page 01

with black flags near the main gate yesterday afternoon, complaining that Army officials attached to the Centre were assaulting and harassing them.

They complained that the Army was not providing them sufficient food. As the inmates tried to break out of the Centre, the security in and around it was beefed up by the Welikanda Police with the support of the Army, and special police teams from Hingurakgoda and Aralaganvila.

The inmates in the Senapura Rehabilitation Centre charged that some Army officers were assaulting and harassing them, and four among them had sustained injuries as a result. Observing that the Government has allocated Rs 2.2 million for each inmate annually, they complained that they were not provided adequate facilities and food from that money, adding that some

guards in the Centre take out food outside

Welikanda OIC IP Samantha Rathnayake said statements were recorded from four inmates, who were allegedly assaulted by the Army, and investigations will continue based on them to arrest and take legal action against those responsible.

The demonstration continued for about four hours, and the inmates ended it following a discussion with a team of senior police officers.

The senior Army officers attached to the Centre, however, denied all allegations.

Substance addicts are referred to a six month training at the Kandakadu Rehabilitation Centre based on court orders, and they are then referred to the Welikanda Senapura Tertiary and Vocational Education Centre for another six months.

Man who wore 'uniform' ... From page 01

Police Media Spokesman, SSP Nihal Thladuwa said he was arrested in the Slave Island Police area. The arrested is a

35-year-old resident of Chilaw. He was produced before the Fort Magistrate yesterday. Colombo Fort Police are investigating.

President urges China to change ... From page 01

starved of foreign reserves and mired in misery. The effort is likely to feature prominently in a fresh round of discussions between Colombo and International Monetary Fund representatives arriving Wednes-

day.
"We have informed the Chinese government [of] the need to restructure [the debt] and the need for all the creditors to sing from the same hymn sheet," Wickremesinghe told Nikkei.

But Wickremesinghe sees a complex path to spurring a change of heart in Beijing, hinging partly on Sri Lanka's other lenders.

China, of course, has adopted a different approach, so it is a question of what is the agreement that the [other creditor] parties can reach with China,"he said at the Presidential Secretariat, a colonial-era building that faces Colombo's seafront.

Wickremesinghe was responding to a question about China's preferred route of refinancing its loans or deferring the repayment dates for countries in debt to Chinese banks rather than restructuring the loans and settling for a loss-making. An IMF statement on the eve of its visit highlighted, albeit obliquely, that the China

factor is set to shape Sri Lanka's economic

On the prospects for giving Sri Lanka a multibillion-dollar bailout, the fund said: "Because Sri Lanka's public debt is assessed as unsustainable, approval by the IMF Executive Board of the [Extended Fund Facility] program would require adequate assurances by Sri Lanka's creditors that debt sustainability will be restored."

The Washington-based fund's team is scheduled to be in Colombo until the end of this month. Seasoned observers see it pushing the Wickremesinghe administration to persuade the Chinese ahead of any staff-level agreement with the IMF.

"Sri Lanka will have to convince the Chinese to come on board with a haircut," said Murtaza Jafeerjee, managing director of JB Securities, a financial consultancy in Colombo. Chinese debt [to Sri Lanka] is in dollars ... and it would not be in China's interest to be a

Ratnapura Principal remanded ... From page 01

He was remanded by the Ratnapura Magistrate's courts yesterday.

A special investigation was conducted based on information received by the National Child Protection Authority about child sexual abuse that has been going on for some time in this boys' school in Ratnapura. It has been revealed with concrete evidence that this principal has been taking students to his quarters for a long time and sexually abusing the children by giving them monetary rewards and various privileges.

After a lengthy investigation, the suspect who was arrested yesterday was produced before the Ratnapura Magistrate's Court and remanded under the charge of serious sexual abuse under Section 365 (b) of the Penal

National Child Protection Authority Chairman Udayakumara Amarasinghe said education authorities, principals and the entire teaching staff should be responsible for the protection of schoolchildren.

He requested the public to inform the 1929 Child Helpline Number of the National Child Protection Authority (NCPA) immediately about complaints and information about any incidents of child abuse occurring in the country. The NCPA has conducted investigations related to this incident.

Hirunika's abduction case: Trial re-fixed ... From page 01

When the case was yesterday taken up beforeColombo High Court Judge Amal Ranaraja, Attorney Oshaka Danthanarayana appearing for accused Hirunika sought Court to refix the case for trial to another date due to counsel Ashan Fernando handling the case being unable to appear before Court due to a sudden illness.

Deputy Solicitor General Janaka Bandara appearing on behalf of the Attorney General said that the trial was adjourned several times due to various rea-

Considering the facts, the Colombo High Court Judge Amal Ranaraja re-fixed the case for trial on November 16.

At a previous occasion, except Hirunika Premachandra, eight other accused who pleaded guilty for their involvement in the abduction had been given a suspended prison sentence by the Colombo High

The accused Kelum Niranjana, Kasun

Malinda, Ruwan Pushpakumara, Mohammed Rizwan, Pasindu Sanjeewa, P.S.Abeysiriwardena, Sanjeewa Kumara and Jeganadacal pleaded guilty to seven charges including abduction, aiding and abetting to abduction and unlawful assem-

Apart from the abduction charges, the nine accused have been charged on 29 counts by the Attorney General including threatening, assaulting and intimidating the victim Amila Priyankara after abducting him in Dematagoda. The accused who were indicted are; Hirunika Premachandra, Kelum Niranjana, Kasun Malinda, Ruwan Pushpakumara, Mohammed Rizwan, Pasindu Sanjeewa, P.S. Abeysiriwardena, Sanjeewa Kumara and Jeganadacal.

The complainant Amila Priyankara alleged that he was abducted and assaulted by a group of people who came in a black Defender to Dematagoda on December 21,

President to present Interim... From page 01

Acting Secretary General of Parliament Kushani Rohanadheera said this decision was taken at the Committee on Parliamentary Business chaired by Deputy Speaker Ajith Rajapakse to discuss the business of parliament of the coming week yesterday (24).

Parliament will convene at 1 pm on August 30, and the President will present the Second Reading of the Appropriation (Amendment) Bill following which Parliament will be adjourned.

The debate on the second reading of the Appropriation (Amendment) Bill will be held on August 31 and September 1 from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm without a lunch break.

The Second Reading of the Appropriation (Amendment) Bill will be debated on September 2 from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm, following which the Bill is scheduled to be passed after the Committee Stage and the Third

Reading. Three Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act, a resolution under the Customs Ordinance and Orders under the Special Commodity Levy Act are also scheduled to be approved in Parliament on the same day.

On Monday 29, according to a motion brought by the opposition, the adjournment debate will be held from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm on "The difficulties faced by the General Public due to increase

in the electricity Tariff by a large Proportion".

The Leader of the House Minister Dr.Susil Premajayantha informed the committee that a special programme to inform the government and opposition members about the current economic

situation will be held on August 30 from 2 to 4 pm conducted by Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe. The Leader of the

House also stated that he expects the participation of all Members of the Government and the Opposition.

Meanwhile, the Leader of the House said that by making an amendment to the Standing Orders, they will promptly appoint the Sectoral Oversight Committees. He also said that according to the President's suggestion three more standing committees are expected to be established in order to strengthen the Parliamentary Committee system.

A discussion was also held regarding the need to give fair time to the Members of Parliament who left the Government party and act independently during the parliamentary debates.

The Adjournment Debate on "The difficulties faced by the public due to increase in the electricity Tariff by a large Proportion" will be held on August 29.

Gazettes to control prices... From page 01

A price control has been set by reducing the price of an egg sold at Rs. 65 in the market to Rs 45. Similarly, the government issued 13 Gazettes within the last two years to control the price of rice, setting various prices, he said.

He said that the government had to reverse all those gazettes due to its inability to control the price of rice through those gazettes. The same fate has befallen to the gazette issued for egg price control, he said.

Wickremaratne was speaking at the press briefing held yesterday (24) at the Office of the Leader of the Opposition. He reiterated that the SJB completely denounces the use of the Prevention of Terrorism Act (PTA) against peaceful protesters by this government.

Unfortunately, the President who was in the forefront to bring reforms to PTA at that time is now using the same provisions to deal with peaceful protesters when there are enough provisions under the normal laws of the country, he

"Some say the police have given reason why they want to use the PTA to deal with peaceful protesters. It is not for the Police to decide but for the Government to determine that the PTA cannot be used and the normal laws of the land should be applied," urged Wickramaratne.

He further said SJB won't condone violence and those who purported such violence. "We completely denounce those who burnt and caused damages to the houses of some members of Parliament. But the normal laws of the country must be applied. Justice must prevail therefore, he said, the use of PTA should be completely denounced.

No rice shortage after ... From page 01

The Minister is confident that rice imports could be suspended since the Maha harvest is scheduled to be reaped by next February. He was attending a media conference held yesterday (24) at the Government Information Department.

The minister pointed out that 512,500 hectares of paddy have been cultivated so far, although the farmers had said that they could cultivate 248,000 hectares of paddy in the Yala Sea-

The Minister said that since the harvest of the Maha season will be received by next February, rice imports will be stopped and the amount of rice required by the country will be produced in the country and the distribution of urea fertilizer required for the high season has already started.

He said that arrangements have been made to cultivate maize on 110,000 hectares in the future.

The minister also mentioned that Sri Lanka has become selfsufficient in green grams, black grams and groundnuts and has started producing jumbo groundnuts. Currently, 46,000 farmers have registered for urea fertilizer for the Maha Season.

The minister said 15,000 metric tonnes of urea fertilizer has been given to the Plantations Ministry. Although some people and farmers' representatives said that the first batch of fertilizer received from India was of inferior quality, the minister said that the fertilizer stock was of high quality.

Two ships with diesel... From page 01

Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) sources said that another ship with crude oil reached Colombo later yester-

The CPC sources further said that an auto diesel cargo is scheduled to reach Colombo within two days. Besides, a petrol 92 octane cargo will arrive between August 27 to 29.

With the re-operation of the Sapugaskanda refinery, the distribution of kerosene and jet fuel commenced from Tuesday.

Revenge killing in ... From page 01

Police sources said that they have received information that the murder has been carried out under the directive of a drug kingpin named Sanjeeva from Makilangamuwa who is said to be staying in Dubai.

It has been revealed that this killing took place as a revenge for the killing of 'Pas Podda', who was shot and killed near the Gampaha Court on June 27.

Police say the slain businessman was not involved in any crime or associated with a criminal. This businessman is married to the sister of another businessman involved in selling earth.

Japanese Ambassador ... From page 01

The Japanese Ambassador and President Wickremesinghe also discussed the upcoming programme on the 70th anniversary of former President J.R.Jayewardene's address at the San Francisco Peace Conference, a special celebration jointly organized by the Embassy of Japan and the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation on September 6.

Man survives shooting... From page 01

An unidentified gunman on a motorcycle and opened fire at him while he was travelling on another motorcycle, police said.

However, the victim Sujith Prasanga alias Anton of Kosgoda had sustained only an injury to his leg due to the shooting and has been admitted to the Balapitiya police. It is said that gunmen had attempted to kill him on a previous occasion also.

Police said the victim runs an illegal money lending business and it is suspected that he is running some other illegal businesses as well. Ahungalla police are conducting investiga-

Kerner shows up,... From page 01

A warrant was issued for his arrest on Tuesday (23) as he failed to appear in court. Kerner has been accused of assembling people to the Polduwa Junction on July 13 to storm the parliament and breaching the barricades set up for the security of the parliament. He is on bail with regard to the

President's Counsel Rienzie Arsecularatne appearing on behalf of the suspect told the magistrate that his client was unable to appear before Court on Tuesday as he had noted down a wrong date for the next hear ing. The President's Counsel also made an apology on behalf of his client.

After taking facts into consideration, the Magistrate fixed further inquiries for November 29.

Obituaries

AMARASEKERA - MANEL - Wife of late

Terence Amarasekera (Lawyer Balapitiya Bar), beloved mother of Amesha, Thilakshi and Thilantha, mother-in-law of Gayan De Silva, Dilanjali Amarasekera, elder sister of Maya, Sriyani, Neela, late Vinodini, Kusila, Anura, Sudarshini, grandmother of Janith, Thishani, Janeesha, Thiranya and Nimethya. Remains lie at Jayaratne Funeral Parlour Borella (Lotus 1st Floor) on 25th August 2022. Funeral on the same day at Borella Cemetery.

DAVY - DOREEN FELICIA, beloved wife of (late) Clifford, loved mother of (late) Carlyle, Cavin, Rochelle & Davnel, mother -in-law of Melanie, Rosita, Adrian Pietersz & Rozana, grandmother of Ronella & Alan, great-grandmother of Christian, daughter of (late) Lawrence & Beryl Rodrigo, sister of Clement. Remains lie at Jayaratne Funeral Palour Borella from 8.30am on the 25th of August 2022, service at 2.45pm. Thereafter burial at General Cemetery Borella (Roman Catholic Section)

NILES INDRANI BALASUNDARAM) - Loving wife of late Dr Jayarajan Niles, beloved mother of Navam and Rajan, mother-in-law of Nishani, grandmother of Amelia, sister of Shirani Nalliah, sister-in-law of Bala Nalliah, Jevanthan Niles, Jevakumar Niles and late Sudhanthari Richards (nee Niles), passed away on the 23rd of August 2022. Remains lie at A.F. Raymond's Funeral Parlour from 9.00 a.m. onwards on 25th August. Cortege leaves Parlour at 4.00 p.m. on the same day for Burial at the General Cemetery, Borella (General Christian

PERERA - CHITHRA (MARAWILA) -Beloved wife of Joseph (Joe), loving mother of Chrishantha (Chris) and Sherene, mother-in-law of Ruwan and Manouri, grandmother of Anushka, Sanithu and Sanuka, sister of Tekla (UK), Mangalika, Maxi and late Maureen. Remains lie at A.F. Raymond's Funeral Parlour from 8.30 a.m. onwards on 25th August. Cortege leaves Parlour at 11.00 a.m. for Cremation at 11.30 a.m. at Borella Kanatte (New Crematorium).

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May darling Amma attain Nibbana.

- Your ever sorrowing Sons & Daughters -

Party leader remanded for ... From page 01

of protecting the suspects who were involved in the murder of Asun Chamara who is a witness in a drug trafficking racket operated by underworld gangster Harak Kata at Moraketiya in Tangalle on June 5.

This party leader who was evading police for days was arrested by a special police team at his house in Kosgoda on a tip off. Police sources revealed that the police team had to break open the doors of the house from the kitchen side to enter the house.

Police also said that many people in the Kosgoda area know this person as Royal Beach Saman.

It has been found from the police investigation that he was shot at several times by underworld gangsters and he escaped unhurt. Police sources said that MP

Ven. Athuraliye Ratana Thera had received threats from him and the Thera had complained about it to several higher police officers.Ven.Athuraliye Ratana

Thera is represented in Parliament by the National List Member of the party led by this suspect. The suspect was remanded till

August 31 after being produced

in court. The shooter who shot at Asun Chamara while he was traveling in a cab and the five suspects who assisted the shooter were arrested by the Tangalla police. When one of the suspects was questioned, he had told the

police that Ape Jana Bala party

Saman Perera vied for the last

leader gave him protection.

presidential election too. His Party contested in all the districts at the last general election as well. Ven.Galagoda Aththe Gnanasara Thera was also represented by this party.

The police investigation had revealed that the killing of Asun Chamara was directed by another candidate who contested for the Galle district from Ape Jana Bala Party at the last general election based on the order of Harak Kata from Dubai.

Sri Lanka self-sufficient in groundnuts

Local production exceeds 64,000 Mts with introduction of 'Ceylon Jumbo' variety

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA

The Agriculture Ministry has announced that Sri Lanka is now self-sufficient in groundnuts.

As per the statistics of the Department of Agriculture, the total groundnut requirement of the country is 30,000 Mts and the local peanut production has now exceeded 64,000 Mts with the introduction of high-yielding Sri Lankan 'Ceylon Jumbo' groundnut variety.

Due to the new variety of peanuts called 'Ceylon Jumbo' introduced by the Department of Agriculture, it has been possible to suspend even the stocks imported from abroad for the production of Jumbo Peanuts. At present, the variety produced in our country is used for the production of jumbo peanuts. Therefore, we have been able to save a lot of money which was attracted to foreign countries so far.

Joining the harvesting programme of Sri Lankan Jumbo peanut held recently at Thorakolaya Government Seed Farm in Middeniya, Agriculture Minister Mahinda Amaraweera said that the quality of Sri Lankan Ground Peanut is higher than the imported ground nuts.

Therefore, there is no need to import ground- animal protein they need. But the Department

The Minister said that the Sri Lanka Jumbo peanut variety is currently becoming very popular in Sri Lanka. The Department of Agriculture, which introduced this variety, says that it is high-yielding and can provide 29 percent of the daily protein requirement of a person. Currently, due to the rising prices of meat and fish, it is difficult for the people to get the amount of



of Agriculture emphasizes that the protein deficiency can be met due to the protein content of

Peanuts, which are grown as a food crop, have been grown beyond the national requirement of our country.

The Minister has advised the officials of the Department of Agriculture to take measures to promote related products by using the extra yield of groundnuts.

In particular, steps can be taken to start a peanut oil and peanut butter production program that is good for the body, and to expand the cultivation of peanuts.

Therefore, we do not have to import peanuts from now on. We now have a double crop of groundnuts.

The Minister also said that I have instructed the Department of Agriculture to prepare a work order for value added products related to this crop. Because it contains more fat (48%) and protein (26%), peanuts have a major place among energy-giving foods.

Prime Minister distributes school equipment and sewing machines



Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena participated in a programme to distribute school equipment and sewing machines to self-employed women under his decentralized budgetary allocations. The allocations were used to distribute equipment for 35 nursery schools registered in Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Division and sewing machines to help those self employed women. MPs Yadamini Gunawardena, Madhura Withana and Colombo District Secretary Pradeep Yasarathna were also present.

ECSL discusses proposed electoral reforms with stakeholders and public

Text and Picture by **PRIYAN DE SILVA**

Chairman of the Election Commission of Sri Lanka (ECSL) Nimal Punchihewa and members K.P.P. Pathirana, M.M. Mohamed, S. B. Divarathne, Commissioner General of Elections Saman Sri Rathnayaka and Additional Commissioner of Elections Chinthaka Kularathne met with Government officials, members of Civil Society organisations, Election Monitors and members of the public in Hambantota on Monday (22) to discuss the proposals presented to Parliament on June 22 by the Select Committee of Parliament appointed to identify appropriate reforms of the Electoral Laws and the

Electoral System. The Public Consultation on Electoral

Laws and Reforms in Hambantota was hosted by the Institute of Democratic Reforms and Electoral Studies (IRES) with logistical support from the International Foundation for Electoral System

IRES Executive Director Manjula Gajanayake said that the ECSL members have been invited to visit all 25 Districts in the island to discuss the reforms to electoral laws proposed by the Parliamentary Select Committee with stakeholders in the district.

Hambantota District Secretary H.P. Sumanasekera, Assistant Election Commissioner Hambantota Subashana Wedage, IRES Executive Director Manjula Gajanayaka and head of programmes at IFES Indraka Ubeysekera were also present at the discussion.



The Head Table from foreground - Indraka Ubeysekara (Head of programmes at IFES), Manjula Gajanayake (Executive Director IRES), K.P.P. Pathirana (Member of ECSL), M.M. Mohamed (Member of ECSL), S.B. Divarathne (Member of ECSL), Nimal Punchihewa (Chairman ECSL), Saman Sri Rathnayake (Commissioner General of Elections), H.P. Sumanasekara, (District Secretary, Hambantota), Chinthaka Kularathne (Additional Commissioner of Elections) and Subashana Ravindra Wedage (Assistant Election Commissioner, Hambantota)

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Committee to implement PM's concept of developing Grama Niladhari divisions

It was decided in the meeting held on August 22 at the Ministry of Home Affairs under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena to appoint a committee under the Chairmanship of the Secretary to the Prime Minister to implement the program of making Grama Niladhari divisions as centres of rural economic revival.

The meeting mainly discussed how to empower the fishing industry

through this programme. During the meeting, discussions were held regarding a number of sectors including livestock and animal husbandry.

The Prime Minister directed that the accelerated food security programme including enhanc-

ing the nutrition of the people should be implemented immediately for the period of next two years.

He also gave instructions to the concerned officials to prepare the necessary arrangements to immediately supply the fishermen with kerosene oil and diesel, which are essential at present. Prime Minister Guna-

wardena, further commented that, "The fishing industry should move towards the goals of food security and nutrition as well as to increasing the export of fish products to the level of garment exports. On the other hand, government institutions should provide facilities and allocate additional land for cultivation. Go beyond data collection and explanations. Districts



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Dinesh Gunawardena to

should make an action plan and implement this programme because it is the right time to overcome the challenges and not the time to waste on presenting data and statistics."

Anura Dissanayake Secretary to the Prime Minister said that the first meeting of the committee to be

rity Nalin Fernando, as well as Secretary to the Prime Minister Anura Dissanayake, Secretary of the Ministry of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Local Government and Provincial Council P Mayadunne, Secretary of the Ministry of Commerce and Food Security S.T. Kodikara, Secretary of the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources R.M. Ratnayake as well as many government officials including the heads of government institutions related to this program such as Fisheries, Wildlife, Forest Conservation, Environment, Irrigation, Mahaweli etc. were present at the meeting. District secretaries joined the discussion on Zoom

technology.

Amendment to the Penal Code handed over to President



MP Premanath C. Dolawatta handing over a copy of the bill to President Ranil Wickremesinghe at the Presidential Secretariat yesterday.

A Bill to amend the Penal Code with the aim of protecting the rights of the LGBTQ+ communities in Sri Lanka was handed over to President Ranil Wickremesinghe by MP, Attorney Premanath C. Dolawatta yesterday. This bill to amend the Penal Code was submitted to Parliament by Dolawatta as a Private Member's Bill.

The society of this country has an extremely backward notion regarding the LGBTQ + community and as a result, not only in daily life, but even in government and law enforcement agencies, this community has been subjected to various forms of violence, oppression and harassment. At times, even their democratic basic rights have been violat-

Punishment of individuals based on sexual orientation and sexual identification was spread throughout the world by colonial legal systems in the Victorian era. But in modern psychiatry, this is not considered a crime or a perver-

Also, developed countries have worked to amend the laws that penalise this community and limit their rights.

Having taken these factors into consideration, MP Premanath C.Dolawatte submitted this Private Member's Bill.

Prof. W. D. Lakshman and Kalyani Lakshman receive "The Order of the Rising Sun"

On August 22, a ceremony was held at the residence of Mizukoshi Hideaki, Ambassador of Japan to Sri Lanka, to confer "The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon" on Deshamanya Prof. Weligamage Don Lakshman, and to confer "The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette" on Kalyani Siriseeli Lakshman. Both Deshamanya Prof. Weligamage Don Lakshman and Kalyani Siriseeli Lakshman made distinguished contribution to promoting mutual understanding and friendship between Japan and Sri Lanka through education. Ambassador Mizukoshi com-

mended Prof. Lakshman and Lakshman for their passion for learning, and their avidness to making the most of the opportunities open to them, and for how their spirit has been the greatest source of aspirations over the course of our diplomatic journey that marks 70th anniversary this year. Prof. Lakshman and Lakshman both showed deep appreciation for receiving the conferment of an Order and shared their experiences in Japan as well as their journey as educationists.

Prof. W.D. Lakshman is a key figure in Sri Lankan education sector. He was the former Vice Chan-



cellor of the University of Colombo and the former Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, promoted Japanese studies program in Sri Lanka and enhanced educational and academic interactions by teaching and undertaking joint research as a visiting scholar at several Japanese universities and research institutes. Prof. W.D. Lakshman established the Master's Course in Japanese Studies in the Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Colombo in 1987, the first regional-study program in Sri

The volume which he edited, and published by the University of

Colombo in 2002 on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and Sri Lanka remains a valuable source book on the subject. Prof. Lakshman also promoted cooperation with several Japanese universities as the chairman of advisory board of Lanka Nippon Biztech Institute and also contributed to a number of joint activities in Sri Lanka, undertaken by Ryukoku University and Saga University and International Uni-

Kalyani Siriseeli Lakshman with her proficiency in Japanese language initiated in introducing Jap-

versity in Japan.

anese language teaching as a subject in High school curriculum in 1983 in Sri Lanka, including at Devi Balika Vidyalaya, Lindsay Girls' High School and Yosodara, Devi Balika Vidyalaya, as well as conducting Japanese teaching programme organized by the Rupavahini Corporation. Lakshman, who is well-versed in Japanese culture, introduced Karate classes, 5s system, and "Japanese Day" in Devi Balika Vidyalaya when she was the principal of the school. Through her profound respect and affection for Japan, Lakshman has enthusiastically promoted mutual understanding between Japan and Sri

The Embassy of Japan expressed its sincere compliments to Deshamanya Prof. W. D. Lakshman and Kalyani Siriseeli Lakshman on their prestigious work and measures taken in strengthening the bilateral ties of the two nations, which marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and Sri Lanka.

"The Order of the Rising Sun" is awarded by the Emperor of Japan to foreign nationals who have made distinguished contribution to enhancing friendly relations with Japan.



UNICEF Regional Director for South Asia, George Laryea-Adjei paid a courtesy call on Foreign Minister Ali Sabry, PC yesterday and held discussions on ways to enhance cooperation and assistance to Sri Lanka in the education and health fields.

Postal items to Russia will resume

to Russia will be accepted again from suspended.

Postmaster General Ranjith Ariyaratne today. Due to the aircraft problem, the yesterday said that the postal items sent reception of postal items to Russia was

Study on developing Anuradhapura for tourism

develop the Anuradhapura sacred area as a site that can attract more tourists, and an Expert's Committee will be appointed to submit proposals in that regard. The Committee will also obtain consul-

tations from foreign countries where historical sites are converted to tourist attractions, such as France.

President Ranil Wickremesinghe has radhapura only spend half a day.

taken an interest in developing Anu-The Government has paid attention to radhapura as a tourist attraction. The programme aims to attract more tourists from Japan, South Korea, China, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam to Anuradhapura and increase tourist arrivals to the country.

Tourists spend about a week at historical towns such those in Egypt, but most of the foreign tourists who come to Anu-

One hacked, another serious in Mathugama

THUSITHA KUMARA DE SILVA

A person was hacked to death while another was hospitalized with serious injuries after they were assaulted by a group of individuals at Bopitiya, Mathugama on Tuesday (23) night.

According to the police, the reason for the attack is suspected to be the rivalry between two underworld gangs

operating in the Mathugama area. The deceased is a 39-year-old Indika Thushara of Bopitiya.

The injured person was transferred to Kalutara Teaching Hospital after being admitted to the Weththewa District Hospital, police said.

Mathugama police are conducting further investigations.

Female remanded for stealing gold biscuits and US\$ 8,700

VEYANGODA SPECIAL

A female was remanded yesterday (24) for stealing three gold biscuits and USD 8700 from the house where she was working as a maid.

The 03 gold biscuits weighed 30 grams. The suspect, Renuka Damayanthi, has come from Polonnaruwa to a house in Miri-

gama to work as a maid. She had left work after some time and had stolen the gold and money upon leaving.

According to evidence, she had returned to Polonnaruwa and repaired her house. The case will be heard again on September 01. Mirigama police is investigating.

Female arrested for attempting to give substance to son

PRADEEP KUMARA Kottawa corr

A female, 70, was arrested by the Homagama police for attempting to give substance to her son, who is in the hospital after a broken leg while fleeing the police.

The suspect's son has hit a Chief Inspector of Police with an iron rod and attempted fleeing. While on flight, he had fallen from a building and broken his leg.

Police found a pistol, 05 bullets, hand gre-

nade and 7.15 grams of heroin in possession of the man. The arrested, a resident of Homagama, Galawilawatta, has visited her son at hospital and attempted to give him a rice packet in which 01 gram 500 milligram of heroin has been hidden. Police had found the drugs when checking the parcel.

The arrested was to be provided before Homagama Magistrate. Homagama police is

Two arrested for looting MP's houses **BIMAL JAYASINGHE**

The Western Province South Crime Division has arrested two persons in relation to breaking in and looting houses belonging to MPs Rohitha Abeygunawardena and Johnston Fernando. The arrested are a male, 26, and a female, 45, residents of Angulana and Mallikarama road in Ratmalana. Police have arrest-

ed 25 persons in relation to attacking the houses belonged to the said two MPs. Police have taken a gas cylinder, gym equipment and empty liquor bottles into custody as looted items. Police stated that the arrests were made based on evidence gathered from CCTV footage and information received by private

May 9 fracas: Sanath, Milan, Dan told... From page 01

ordered to hand over their mobile phones to the Criminal Investigations Department.

The order was issued by the Colombo Fort Magistrate Thilina Gamage yesterday. The trio were named as suspects in the case filed over the attack on the GotaGoGama and Mainagoga protests site on May 9.

The Magistrate also ordered for the suspects to be held in the custody of Court until they surrender the mobile phones to the CID.

The Magistrate noted that if the three suspects fail to comply with the order, their bail will be cancelled and they would be returned to the remand custo-

dy.
President's Counsel Upul Jayasuriya appearing on behalf of the prosecution alleged that the suspect Sanath Nishantha had recently participated in a press conference and made certain comments that affects the judiciary.

He also requested the Magistrate to issue an order directing the relevant television channel to handover unedited video clips

pertaining to the said media conference to the CID.

Accordingly, the Magistrate ordered the relevant television channel to handover the original videos to the Criminal Investigations Department on the press conference attended by SLPP MP Sanath Nishantha.

The Magistrate also ordered them to conduct an investigation to determine if he made any comments that affected the judiciary

The Magistrate further issued an order directing the Control Officer of the Temple Trees to handed the CCTV footage with regard to May 9 meeting to the CID.

President's Counsel Maithree Gunarathne informed the Magistrate that investigations are not being conducted on Senior DIG Deshabandu Tennakoon.

The attorney representing SDIG Deshabandu Tennakoon informed Court that the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka is also investigating into the incident.

The Magistrate said that no matter what institute investigates, it does not apply to

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He said that Switzerland became the second country after France to remove the travel advisory. "Now we are in discussions to several other

countries including the UK and all those will be removed very soon,"he said.

Kataragama Devale... From page 01

of the Commissioner General of Buddhist Affairs, some allowance or salary should be given to the custodians, however, the said kapuralas take all the money belonging to Devalaya home, sources said.

It is said that a 50% of the money given by the devotees should be given to the development of the Devalaya, however, it has been revealed that no money has been given for the purpose. It has also been revealed that during last Perahera

season, Rs.20 million was to be given to Devalaya, however, one custodian had taken away Devalaya's

Basnayake Nilame of the Devalaya, Dishan Gunasekera when contacted said the public should be made aware of what happens to the money that they offer to the Devalaya. He said that he made complaints to the Tangalle Special Crime Investigation Division and Tangalle Police regarding the allegation. He said that the Commissioner of Buddhist Affairs has also been apprised about this incident.

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government corporations, statutory boards and companies should report to work as usual with effect from Wednesday.

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The suspects appeared in court on Wednesday (24) upon being informed to do so by the Colombo North Crimes Investigation Division.

The Police further stated that another three people were named as suspects in the incident where they forcefully entered the President's Office and convened a media briefing on July 13,2022.

The case will be taken up again on August 31,

Batalagoda RRI successfully carries out 70-30 percent paddy cultivation application

Research carried out by the Bathalagoda Rice Research Institute (RRI) has been very successful in connection with the application of 70 percent chemical fertilizers and 30 percent organic fertilizers in paddy cultivation in the coming Maha Season.

The failure of the 2021 Maha Season has had a major impact on the country's food production and even increased food inflation. The reason for this is that the entire cultivation process is collapsing in using 100 percent organic fertilizers and liquid fertilizers. In the high season of that year,

the paddy yield fell by 40 percent. For this reason, the Bathalagoda Paddy

Research Institute conducted research on the success of paddy cultivation by using 70 percent chemical fertilizers and 30 percent organic fertilizers in paddy cultivation this

According to that, the research has been very successful, said Director General of the Department of Agriculture Dr. Ajanta de Silva.

Minister of Agriculture, Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation Mahinda Amaraweera recently observed the 70-30 percent paddy cultivation at the Bathalagoda Paddy Research Institute. The minister observed that the paddy cultivation has been very successful.

Accordingly, the Minister stated that on the recommendation of intellectuals who are interested in the field of agriculture, it was decided to cultivate paddy in the 70-30 percent ratio in the 2022 high season.

"Today we are experiencing the results of going to 100 percent organic fertilizers. Even if 100 percent chemical fertilizers are used, proper yield cannot be obtained. Therefore, it has been confirmed by the research of the Batalagoda Research Institute that it is advisable to take steps to cultivate by using both chemical fertilizers and organic fertilizers," the Minister said.

at the Nikaweratiya Town Hall. For more information please contact Wasantha on 0777939323 or Deshapriya on

Navy renders assistance to bring ashore ill fisherman for treatment

The Sri Lanka Navy brought ashore a fisherman who fell ill while at sea and rushed him to the hospital for treatment on August 23, 2022. The fisherman who was aboard a local multi-day fishing trawler, in the seas about 47 nautical miles (about 87 km) northeast of the Foul Point, Trincomalee had suddenly fallen ill and was in need of medical attention.

The multi-day fishing trawler 'Manuki' (Reg. No. IMUL-A-0345 KLT) was on a fishing voyage leaving the Cod Bay Fishery Harbour, Trincomalee on August 8, 2022 with six fishermen.

Meanwhile, the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, has disseminated the distress to the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) Colombo at Navy Headquarters, about this ill fisherman who was aboard the trawler.

In response to a request for assistance, Sri Lanka Navy sent out the Fast Attack Craft P 4443 of the 04th Fast Attack Craft Flotilla (4 FAF) attached to the Eastern Naval Command to bring the ill fisherman for treatment. Having transferred him to the Navy's craft on Tuesday evening amidst rough sea conditions,



The fisherman being transferred by Navy per-

the patient was brought to the Trincomalee Harbour and administered first aid. He was subsequently transferred to the Trincomalee General Hospital for further treatment.

Special Vassana Dhamma Sermon

A Special Vassana Dhamma Sermon conducted by Ven. Koralayagama Saranathissa Thera will be held on September 2 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

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Free Eye Clinic

Zahira College Colombo Group of 80 in collaboration with Memon Humanitarian Society will conduct a Free Eye Clinic and the distribution of free Reading Glasses on August 27 from 9 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. at Zahira Maha Vidyalaya, Hunupitiya, Wattala. It will be held under the patronage of the Group of 80 president A. L.

Tower Hall Foundation Member of the Board of Directors Hassim Omar, Past President Group of 80 M.U.M. Azmi, Group of 80 Vice President T. H. Rasiff and Social Worker Azeez Lakhana will be the Guests of Honour.

Vinaya Pitakaya recital 2022

Following the Buddha's teachings, arrangements have been made to hold the rare dedication of the noble Vinaya Pitakaya for the perpetuation of the Sambuddha Order for three days on September 1, 2, 3 at the Anuradhapura Katukaliyawa Maha Viharaya. All are cordially invited to participate in this great charity event.

Pathfinder Foundation, USI extends MoU on strategic cooperation





The Pathfinder Foundation extended its Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the United Service Institution of India (USI), New Delhi, with a virtual signing recently. The MoU was signed by Bernard Goonetilleke, Chairman, Pathfinder Foundation and Maj. Gen. B K Sharma, AVSM, SM & Bar (Retd.), Director, United Service Institution of India. The event was also attended by Dr. Dayaratna Silva, Executive Director of Pathfinder Foundation and Maj. Gen. R P S Bhaduria, VSM (Retd.), Head CS3 of USI.

The MoU is expected to strengthen existing relations between the two organisations through closer cooperation in research, contribute to policy development processes in their respective countries, and develop and foster research cooperation among South Asian countries on humanitarian, economic and security related issues. It is also expected to support policy development at both the bilateral and international levels.

The MoU is also intended to engender and foster conditions for maintaining regular interaction and cooperation between the two organizations. The MoU will provide a basis and framework for cooperation in the fields of research and promote the exchange of ideas and views between Indian and Sri Lankan researchers and practitioners in the fields of international security, international relations, diplomacy, defence, military affairs, peacebuilding and conflict studies, disruptive technologies, WMD, UNPKO, South Asia, Indo-Pacific, maritime security and maritime heritage, among other areas.

The USI of India is India's oldest and premium tri-service think tank founded in 1870 by Colonel (later Major General) Sir Charles MacGregor for 'Furtherance of knowledge in the art, science and literature of the National Security in general and of the Defence Services in particular'. Today USI has about 15,000 members, comprising security forces officers, diplomats, bureaucrats, academics and scholars. USI has niche expertise in national security, geopolitics, International Relations, Military Diplomacy, Military Heritage, UN Peacekeeping operations, professional skill developments of policymakers and Revolution in Military Affairs.

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heart-rending story of an impoverished mother who threw her fiveyear-old son into the Kelani River and then attempted to take her own life by jumping off the Kadirana Bridge was reported in Wattala two months ago. Her life was saved due to the prompt intervention by the residents and passers-by, but it was too late to save

A 42-year-old widow in second marriage, she was reported to be depressed as she could not feed the child. According to the Police, a 15-year-old child of her first marriage is living under the care of a relative.

The painful narrative of this destitute family should not be another bygone story. It mirrors the survival struggle of many poverty-stricken families who are bearing the brunt of the prevailing economic mess in the country and are very close to being pushed over the edge. This is a time to awaken the



At the launch of the 'Athwela - Parent Sponsored Child Support Scheme'

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social conscience and do what is within our reach to help the needy.

The economic predictions for the coming months are blunt and gloomy as the country continues to grapple with its worst economic crisis in the post-colonial history. The World Bank (WB) in its Spring Update on the South Asian region predicted that Sri Lanka's poverty at US\$ 3.20 per day poverty line would increase to 11.7 per cent this year, compared to 9.2 per cent in 2019.

Last week, Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe foretold that inflation might peak below 70 per cent before it would see a downward trend after September. The headline inflation recorded at 60.8 per cent in July as per the Colombo Consumer Price Index, with food inflation (Year-on-Year) reaching a staggering 90.9 per cent.

The monthly income of many households has dropped and some have even lost their jobs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent contraction in the economy, further weakening the ability of those in lower strata of the society to weather the

The field surveys and assessments carried out in the past few weeks corroborate the idea that many low-income families are in need of humanitarian assistance. The World Food Programme (WFP) has estimated that 4.9 million people – 22 per cent of the population - are currently food-insecure in Sri Lanka. Medical expenses, transport costs and all other costs of everyday life have gone up dramatically in the past few months, forcing more and more families, some for the first time, to look for external help to make ends meet.

Naturally, minors of these underprivileged families are at the heart of the crisis, and if we do not act now they will pay the highest price for a situation not of their making. Needless to say, poverty and hunger have far-reaching negative impacts on children's education, health, social security and psychological well-being. Uncertain about their future and seeing the daily struggle their parents put up with to put food on the plate, these vulnerable boys and girls are under enormous stress.

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) has estimated that 2.8 million children in Sri Lanka are urgently in need of assistance. Its Humanitarian Situation Report on Sri Lanka, issued on August 1, has stated that the child malnutrition rate, which is already the second highest in South Asia, could further rise in the coming months.

Sponsors sought

It is in this context, the Probation and Child Care Services Department, which comes under the purview of the Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment Ministry, is calling for help on behalf of the children in the most vulnerable families through a programme titled "Athwela", a parentsponsored child support scheme. It aims to link the needy children with patrons who are willing to provide them with financial, material or service support.

"Lately, we came across many requests which asked for help for children and the number of such requests is increasing dayby-day. It is clearly seen that most of these requests are due to economic hardships of the families. It is in response to them that we launched the 'Athwela' programme on August 3. Ministry Secretary Neel Bandara Hapuhinna took the initiative for this programme," Department's Commissioner Thanuja Dissanayake told the *Daily News*.

Anybody who can support a child with a minimum of Rs. 5,000 per month for a minimum of two years can join in the programme as a benefactor. Material or service support to the beneficiary is also welcome in place of financial donation. Depending on the needs of each family, such assistance can be for medicine, nutritious food, school supplies or improvement of basic facilities in the house. The donor can continue to help the child until he or she reaches the age of 18. The programme is open for both local and foreign

Dissanayake said that her Department, through the field officers in each and every district, has identified nearly 26,000 children who need urgent assistance, adding that the list is only getting longer every day.

'We are only making a bridge between the children, who need help, and donors, who can help. The financial donations will be deposited to the parent's or the guardian's account and our Department will review the



Probation and Child Care Services Department Commissioner Thanuja Dissanayake

progress to make sure everything is above board and the money is not misused. Above all, the child's safety has been ensured in every way, and he or she can only be reached through the Child Rights Promotional Officer attached to the relevant Divisional Secretariat Office," the Commissioner explained.

'What we want through this programme is to make sure that children do not leave the family despite the prevailing financial difficulties in their homes. Living with one's family matters to a child's personality development, security and mental health. The help granted through this programme will be a solace to many parents or guardians of the children, and it will also act as a stimulus for the child to school and go for higher academic achievements," she commented.

"We know we cannot solve all the problems faced by these people, but our effort is to mitigate them and ease their burden. We send a minor to a child care institution only when all our efforts to protect him or her within the family fail," she remarked.

Child adoption

The Department's Chief, however, emphasised that her staff is always ready to help out the parents, who cannot afford to raise their children, and women with unwanted pregnancies. "Please do not abandon your children or think of taking their lives, instead, hand them over to us. They will be looked after at a child care institution or handed over to a responsible couple, who are looking for adoption, following the due legal process," she advised.

She noted that pregnant women would be looked after at the Department's detention centres until delivery. The Department facilitates foreign or local adoption of children in keeping with domestic laws and the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Inter-Country Adoption (Hague Convention), to which Sri Lanka is a signatory.

"In 1970s and before that, foreign adoptions were higher than local adoptions, but now we have a long list of locals who are waiting to adopt a child. Nearly 1,500 Sri Lankan couples are registered with us and more such applications have been received to Probation Officers in the Provincial Councils. Altogether, about 5,000 local applicants are in the waiting list to adopt a child," she revealed.

On the other hand, she pointed out that, international adopters have been willing to accept children with defects and illnesses, and therefore such children are often referred to them. "Two weeks back, a French couple adopted a boy with a congenital heart defect known as a 'hole in the heart'. In many developed countries, congenital malformations can be treated with a small surgery and foreign couples are willing to take that responsibility," she observed.

The Commissioner said the child's medical reports are first sent to the foreign couple, and the adoption process could be completed within about three months following the consent of the couple. The transfer of ownership is only after a thorough background study of the couple, the recommendation of a three-member Adoption Committee of the Department, and the consent of the biological parent/s, kin, or guardian of the child. If it is a local adoption, a District Court Order is necessary. Naturally, the demand is higher for infants or small children when it comes to adop-

If the selected child is over 10 years, the wishes of such child are also considered. The Sri Lankan law states that only a child below the age of 14 can be adopted, thereby leaving behind the other children with no option of adoption at all.

According to a census carried out by the Census and Statistics Department in 2019, there are 10,632 children in 379 Child Care Institutions in Sri Lanka. Most of these Homes are run by volunteer organisations under the supervision of the Probation Department. Dissanayake said the institutionalized children are considered when adoption requests come, subject to the above laws and procedures.

She, however, underlined that their efforts are primarily directed towards enabling the child to remain in or return to the care of his or her parents, or other close family members because the family is the basic unit of society that provides a natural environment for the growth, well-being, and protection of children.

The 'Athwela' programme is also designed to cater to that objective. Those willing to partner with the 'Athwela' programme are requested to contact the Department via 076 9905755 or 011 2186062.

The Sri Lankan people are known for qualities such as sharing and caring and empathy, as they are inculcated in us during our upbringing. We are a society that unconditionally loves and protects children. The traditional Sri Lankan culture and religious background promote such qualities. In these difficult times, let us extend our helping hand to the needy children, so that they can realize their full potential and grow up to be responsible citizens.



A family provides a nurturing environment for children.

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Office of the Regional Director of Health Services - Gampaha

MAINTAINING WELFARE CANTEEN Mirigama Base Hospital 2022/2023

Quotations are invited up to 16.09.2022 on behalf of the Mirigama Base Hospital for selection of eligible persons for maintaining the Mirigama Base Hospital Welfare Canteen for the year 2022/2023. Tender forms and relevant details could be obtained from the Medical Superintendent of the Mirigama Base Hospital and a non-refundable tender form fee of Rs. 300/= and a refundable tender deposit of Rs. 1000/= should be paid to the Medical Superintendent of the Mirigama Base Hospital and the receipt thus obtained should be submitted for this purpose.

Applications for the Mirigama Base Hospital will be issued from 26.08.2022 up to 15.09.2022. Duly completed tenders should be sealed and sent by registered post addressed to "Medical Superintendent, Base Hospital, Mirigama" to be received before 10.30 a.m. on 16.09.2022 on behalf of the Mirigama Base Hospital Welfare Canteen or may be hand delivered to the tender box.

The words, "Welfare Canteen - Mirigama Base Hospital" should be indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope containing the tender.

Bids received late will be rejected and bids will be opened immediately after closing of accepting same at 10.30 a.m. on 16.09.2022 at the Mirigama Base Hospital.

Bidder or his authorized representative could be present on the occasion of the bid opening.

Dr. W.M.I.K. Wanninayaka Chairman, Procurement Board, Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Kachcheri Complex, Gampaha.

Tel No. 033-2222874.



Invitation for Bids (IFB)

Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Handing over of 8KW Three-Phase Solar Electricity System at Vice Chancellor's Lodge,
No.05, Bagathale Terrace, Colombo 03

Chairman, Procurement Committee on behalf of the University of Colombo invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for "Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Handing over of 8KW Three-Phase Solar Electricity System" at Vice Chancellor's Lodge, No. 05, Bagathale Terrace, Colombo 03, University of Colombo (MD/MR/B/29/2022) with the approximate Estimated cost of Rs. 2.0 million (excluding Contingencies & VAT) and bids

will be closed at 2.30 p.m. on 08.09.2022. **Scope of Work:**

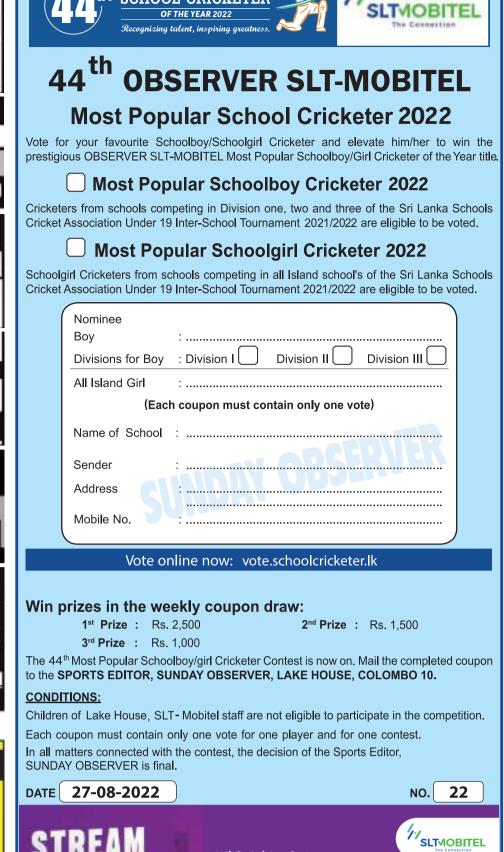
- The Works consist of Site visit, Inspection of existing roof, supply, installation, testing, commissioning and handing over of 8KW 3 Phase Solar Electricity System, Coordination with electricity Board, harmonic testing and relevant test. (Including all necessary Civil works to properly erect the Solar Panel on the roof.) as per the BOQ descriptions.
- Location of the premises is at No.05, Bagathale Road, Colombo
- The Construction period is **30** calendar days
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (Invited Bids) procedure.
- 3. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall meet the following requirements :

Registration required: Sustainable Energy Authority

- 4. Qualification requirements to qualify for contract award include:
 - Experience in the construction works of at least one contract of similar nature work not less than 2.0 million.
 - The minimum amount of overdraft facility net of other contractual commitment and exclusive of any advance payment which may be made under the contract shall be not less than Rs. 2,000,000.00.
- Interested bidders may obtain further information from the Works Engineer/Dept. of Maintenance (Contract No: 2586445) and inspect the bidding documents free of charge at the office of the Senior Assistant Bursar (SAB Supplies) between 9.00 am and 2.30 pm on working days.
- 6. A complete set of bidding documents in English language could be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written request to SAB Supplies from 26.08.2022 to 07.09.2022 during working hours by producing the receipt for payment of the non-refundable tender fee of Rupees One Thousand (Rs. 1,000.00) to Account No: **505170600013** to any People's bank. Bidding documents will only be issued to the bidders on production of the above documents.
- 7. Bids shall be valid up to 77 days from the date of bid opening (24.11.2022).
- 8. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Rupees Thirty Thousand **(Rs. 30,000.00)** (Unconditional on demand Bank Guarantee) in favour of Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo with 105 days from the bid opening date or payment to Account No: **505170700003** to any People's Bank.
- 9. Sealed bids shall be submitted on the forms available with the bidding documents. Duly completed bids together with the duplicate and the bid security should be inserted in a sealed envelope or packet and the top left hand corner of each envelope or packet should be marked with the name of the tender. (Bid security should be submitted along with the original bidding document).
- 10. Pre-bid meeting will be held at 10.00 am on 31.08.2022 in the Boardroom, College House. No. 94, Cumarathunga Munidasa Mawatha, Colombo 03.
- 11. Sealed bids may be sent either by registered post to the address given below or be deposited in the tender box at the College House near the Office of the Registrar on or before 08.09.2022 at 14.30.hrs. No bids will be accepted after closing of bids.
- 12. Bids will be opened immediately after the closing of bids at College House, Boardroom No. 1. Bidders or their authorized representatives are requested to be present at the opening of bids.
- 13. The Chairman of the Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept any one bid or reject any or all bids without giving any reason and its decision will be final and conclusive.

CHAIRMAN PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE, University of Colombo, No. 94, Cumarathunga Munidasa Mawatha, Colombo 03.





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Bids should be submitted on Documents obtained from the Division of Supply Chain Management, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake on *cash payment of Rupees Five Thousand (Rs. 5,000.00)* being a *non-refundable Bidding Document Fee*, together with an official letter of request, issued by the bidder.

Bidding documents may be purchased *between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on any working day from 25.08.2022 up to 12.09.2022* from the Office of Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. Bidding Documents will be available for inspection free of charge at the above address.

Bids should be deposited in the box provided for this purpose at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. If Bidders so desire, they may personally hand over the Sealed Bids to above address.

Bids will be closed at **2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 13th September 2022** and will be opened immediately thereafter at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. Bidders or their duly authorized representatives may be present at the time of opening of bids.

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Any further information could be obtained from the Division of Supply Chain Management, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake, on Telephone No. 011-2264103/011-2264104, e-mail: head.scm@airport.lk or by visiting our web site: head.scm@airport.lk

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A shocking revelation

n a shocking revelation, it is being reported that 19 university graduates were working as labourers washing toilets in schools in the Southern Province, and attending to other menial tasks. The main story in a Sinhala daily yesterday, quoting Southern Province Education Secretary Ranjith Yapa, says these 19 graduates had been engaged as conservancy labourers in the schools for several years.

The Secretary also said when he brought the matter to the notice of Southern Province Governor Dr. Willie Gamage, he was requested to transfer these graduates as Library Assistants or Lab Assistants. He said that 68 graduates were already serving as Library or Lab Assistants in Southern Schools for which the maximum educational qualification is getting through Grade 8, a far cry from a university degree.

The Father of Free Education Dr. C.W.W Kannangara will surely be turning in his grave had he known what fruits have been borne from the free education which he so assiduously pioneered to provide a place in the sun for poor village children.

It is being said that the Government spends between Rs 500,000 to Rs. 700,000 to turn out a single graduate from our universities. One wonders what purpose this will serve if these graduates eventually end up eking out a meagre wage as conservancy labourers. Who is to blame for this state of affairs? Did these graduates know what they were letting themselves into when they sat for the job interviews? Was their job description explained to them at the interviews? According to a university academics these graduates

themselves are partly responsible for their plight. They have not equipped themselves to face the future after their academic lives nor are they equipped with the necessary wherewithal to take up employment in a formal work environment. The lack of knowledge of English (called "Kaduwa" in universities) of a majority of our graduates too has proved to be a major impediment for obtaining gainful employ-

In that case why spend such a colossal amount of money for the education of graduates in our universities, knowing this money is going down the drain for the most part? Anyway, the academic who expressed his views in a TV talk show is only partly right. While graduates may be ill-prepared to fit into formal employment, there is another glaring anomaly which our education authorities had been trying to set right for decades but are yet to get around to it - namely a radical change in the university curricula and the entire education system.

Knowing that our universities are producing unemployable graduates we still keep persisting with the same subjects which are essentially exam-oriented - to cram and regurgitate at examinations. Whatever happened to the scheme to offer training in job-oriented subjects of a technical nature to Arts graduates?

It is these graduates in the Arts Stream who are behind most of the unrest in universities. They hail from far-flung villages and carry a chip on their soldiers. Their depressed social backgrounds and lack of knowledge of the "Kaduwa" has given them an inferiority complex which forms the basis for the violent ragging we see in the universities targeting their colleagues hailing from privileged stock.

This vicious cycle is bound to continue if the authorities in charge of education fail to bring the necessary changes and make our university education more meaningful and productive. All subjects should be tailored to suit the present environment and the transformation in job demands over the decades.

This way, no graduate would feel left out and forced to work as conservancy labourers. Both major uprisings in the South (1971 and 1988-89) had their origins in the frustrations of youth over the lack of job opportunities and the differential treatment meted out to different segments in society. We must take care to prevent a repetition. The conditions today are ripe for a resurgence of such radical thoughts among a largely frustrated youth population.

Meanwhile, a reported move by the relevant authorities to permit females to work night shifts in their workplaces and also to put in 'overtime' is a sound one and indeed a revolutionary step. This is a common feature in many economically advanced countries. Besides, in these difficult times any extra money earned is bound to come in handy. After all, women are increasingly demanding to be treated on par with their male counterparts in employment selection. We already have female pilots who are engaged in flying at night.

Not just night duty, females should also be allowed to venture into occupations which hitherto had been strictly reserved for males only. During the Yahapalanaya era, the late Minister Mangala Samaraweera even proposed for young women to be engaged as waitresses serving alcohol in high-end hotels and restaurants as is the norm in the West.

We are today in a situation where hardly anyone is in a position to pick and choose what he/she wants to do by way of a job. Certainly, age-old traditions and cultural niceties will have to take a backseat under the prevailing circumstances.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work. - Aristotle

APG: Challenges and Opportunities



with the participation of Parliamentarians from almost all political parties represented in the Legislature and is striving to overcome formidable challenges in that process.

At the time of writing, the Cabinet consists of Ministers sworn-in when former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa was in office with the exception of Ali Sabry, PC, replacing Prof. G. L. Peiris as Foreign Minister. Prof. Peiris has been identified as being among the Independent Group of SLPP MPs. A new Cabinet, with representatives from several other political parties, is expected shortly.

President Wickremesinghe has adopted a two-pronged approach to achieve this objective. He has been formally discussing the concept of an APG with political party leaders. Informally, he has also been sounding out individual Parliamentarians of all hues to assess their response.

It is learnt that the latter has yielded several positive responses, especially from Parliamentarians from the main Opposition party, the Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB). This is not surprising as they were under President Wickremesinghe's leadership when they were in the United National Party

Some Parliamentarians from the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP) have also indicated their readiness to accept Ministerial Portfolios in a Cabinet headed by President Wickremesinghe. This is despite a decision by the SLFP not to accept Cabinet positions. Negotiations are ongoing on

President Wickremesinghe has been cautious in his approach about recruiting MPs from other political parties. This is because, just as much as he is keen on having an APG for the remainder of his term, he does not wish to be accused of dividing Opposition politi-

Towards this end, he held meetings this week with Leader of the Opposition and SJB Leader Sajith Premadasa as well as former President Maithripala Sirisena, who is also the Leader of the SLFP. The two party leaders have reportedly independently reiterated their positions of not joining the Government *en-bloc*.

The SJB's General Secretary Ranjith Madduma Bandara said the proposed APG was discussed with the President. "We stressed that the SJB will not accept Ministerial Portfolios but is willing to play a role in governance through Committees in Parliament," Madduma Bandara said.

"We told the President that we will act as a responsible Opposition and will support all effective measures taken for the betterment of the Nation. We also informed him that the Cabinet

formed by an APG should be a small one which will not be a burden to the people," he said.

The SJB also raised the issue of appointing Opposition Parliamentarians to head key Committees in Parliament. Among them are the Committee on Public Enterprise (COPE) and the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA). This is, however to be decided by Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena.

Political tightrope

The President is also walking a political tightrope in that he is relying on the party that enjoys a majority in Parliament, the Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP), for support to govern without any hindrance. As a result, he also has to entertain requests from the SLPP for Cabinet Portfolios.

Accommodating the SLPP, SJB, SLFP and other smaller political parties in one Cabinet will require an expansion in the number of Cabinet Ministers. While this is legally and technically possible under the Constitution, it will not project an image of austerity at a time when the public is facing severe hardships.

President Wickremesinghe has also been keen to ensure that the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution which is a virtual reintroduction of the 19th Amendment is approved by Parliament. This requires a two-thirds majority, for which the support of the SLPP which has a simple majority is

The Amendment is now before the Supreme Court where nine petitions have been submitted against the Amendment. These petitions are being heard by a three-Judge Bench consisting of Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya and Supreme Court Justices Buwaneka Aluvihare and Arjuna Obeysekera.

There has also been speculation that sections of the SLPP may oppose some clauses of the proposed Amendment. One clause in particular which prevents Dual Citizens from holding public office is being strongly resisted by a section of the SLPP which may not vote for it in Parliament, reports

There is however no reason for the SLPP to oppose other clauses in the proposed 22nd Amendment because this amendment seeks to transfer significant powers now vested with the Executive to Parliament. In fact, it can reduce the influence and authority President Wickremesinghe now

While President Wickremesinghe is keen to pursue a conciliatory approach towards the Opposition on the political front he has also advocated a tough stance against the protestors who are alleged to have committed various offences including the abuse of State property during the recent unrest.

Attracting much attention is the detention of Lahiru Mudalige, the Convenor of the Inter-University Student Federation (IUSF). Mudalige and two others, Hashan Jeevantha Gunathilake and Ven. Galwewa Siridhamma Thera (Convenor, Inter-University Bhikku Federation) were arrested on August 19, while participating in a protest in Colombo.

They were held under the Prevention of Terrorism Act (PTA), which allows them to be detained for up to 72 hours. Police Spokesman Nihal Thalduwa on Monday confirmed that the Defence Ministry has now issued a Detention Order on them for up to 90 days, a provision enabled under the

Spokesman Thalduwa said they were detained in order to be questioned about the violent incidents that took place across the country following the March 31 protest near the private residence of former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa in Mirihana. These protests culminated in the incidents on July 9.

"Many incidents of violence took place on May 9, July 9 and on July 13," Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Thalduwa said. Mudalige's statements to the media thereafter raises suspicions as to whether he was linked to these incidents and hence the detention order, SSP Thalduwa said.

The Inspector General of Police C. D. Wickremeratne has instructed his officers to hand over Mudalige and the other detained persons to the Terrorist Investigation Division (TID) if it is suspected that they were involved in any terrorist activities. Police investigations into this issue are continuing.

Previously, United Nations (UN) Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders Mary Lawlor on Sunday has requested President Ranil Wickremesinghe not to sign the Detention Order on them in his capacity as the Minister of Defence. "Doing so would be a dark day for Sri Lanka," Lawlor

Among others who have expressed concern about these arrests under the PTA are countries such as the United States, the United Kingdom and the European Union (EU). "Concerned about reports on the use of the Prevention of Terrorism Act in the recent arrests," the EU said in a social media

"Using laws that do not conform with international human rights standards - like the PTA - erodes democracy in Sri Lanka. We encourage the Government to uphold the rights of the people to express their views," United States Ambassador to Sri Lanka Julie Chung said in a social media post.

The British High Commission in Colombo also voiced similar sentiments. "The PTA is seen as inconsistent with respect for human rights," it said. "We urge authorities to stand by their commitments to stop its use,' the High Commission said, also in a social media message released in Colombo.

If there are challenges on the political and law and order fronts for President Wickremesinghe, there appeared to be encouraging news on the economy which had hit a downward spiral over the past few years, beginning with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020 with the decline continuing since then.

IMF assistance

Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe has said the International Monetary Fund (IMF)'s disbursement of the Extended Fund Facility (EFF) to Sri Lanka can be expected by the end of the year, subject to the success of debt restructuring with creditors and successful negotiations with the IMF.

"We want to restructure our external debt because of the Balance of Payment situation and our ability to meet external debt service payments. We do not see a problem with us meeting the domestic debt targets," Dr. Weerasinghe said. However, this would require agreement from the creditors, he explained.

Dr. Weerasinghe noted that inflation, which was predicted to reach 70 per cent, may not reach such a high level. Exchange rates are also stabilising gradually, he said. As a result, the scarcity of foreign exchange which reached crisis proportions recently is slowly easing, the Governor said.

"Even without any bridging financing now we can manage the requirement for essential imports with higher exports and curtailing imports. In the near future we can manage foreign exchange issues much better," Dr. Weerasinghe said, noting that these are all reasons for optimism in the months ahead.

The coming weeks will be critical, not only for President Wickremesinghe and the Government but for the Opposition as well. They will determine the contours of the next Cabinet and the Government which will be tasked with restoring Sri Lanka's economy until the major elections are held in 2024.



an awareness campaign to educate those who aspire to work abroad about human trafficking.

We have rolled out a programme in collabora-

tion with the Immigration Department, Sri

Lanka Police, and CID to bring down the

organised groups that are targeting vulnerable

also work closely with the law enforcement

agencies of those countries to see that justice

is served. Recently a court in Kuwait granted

over 20 million rupees compensation for a

female worker who was abused. Fighting these

abuses is a collective effort by multiple stake-

holders and we are working tirelessly to prevent such abuses in the first place while

empowering workers to know and exercise

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The labour sections of our foreign missions

Foreign Employment to Boost Economic Revival

'Work Abroad' programme - a bid to earn more remittances

RUWINI JAYAWARDANA

ith the Government rolling out a 'Work Abroad' programme in a bid to earn more remittances while pruning public sector expenditure during the meltdown, more and more Sri Lankan professionals have started leaving the country in droves. Labour and Foreign Employment Minister Manusha Nanayakkara speaks to the Daily News about the potentials in the global job market, the untapped destinations of foreign employment and the means of obtaining speedy passport renewals.

Excerpts:

Foreign employment is seen as one of the answers to Sri Lanka's economic revival. What are the steps you have implemented to encourage this process?

A: Foreign employment has been one of the three major sources in which foreign currency flowed into the country. Tourism and export are the other two means in which Sri Lanka obtained foreign currency.

The role of foreign employment was not given much attention until the beginning of the prevailing dollar crisis. Just like any other area, foreign employment also lacks long-term policy orientation. Most of the strategically important matters related to foreign employment have not been dealt with on time. Sri Lanka is recognized as a country which sends low-skilled labour to the Gulf region. I have taken both short-term, long-term and strategically important decisions as follows.

From day one in the office, I started bi-lateral discussions with countries where we have G-to-G agreements for migrant workers to ensure they are properly implemented for mutual benefits. It is unfortunate that the majority of such agreements were not properly utilized for the benefit of the country due to a lack of political leadership, and bureaucracy. Israel, Italy, Malaysia, and Korea are some such examples.

There was a lot of gender-based discrimination in certain policy decisions taken earlier that was highlighted by multiple stakeholders here and abroad. Accordingly, I have presented two Cabinet papers to relax the age restrictions and to match the age restrictions of the destination countries while relaxing the family background (FBR) report to create a level playing field for men and women. Not only FBR has restricted genuine migrant workers who aspire to work abroad but also it has led to lots of malpractices and corruption. People also seek illegal ways to travel abroad. I intend to further relax FBR once we create a conducive environment for the children of migrant work-

Due to the dire need for foreign remittance and the sudden drop in remittance sent through legal channels, it was necessary to recognize the contribution done by Sri Lankans living abroad. As a result, I presented a financial and non-financial incentive scheme to promote remittance through legal channels. Offering a license to import an electric vehicle was one such incentive while increasing duty-free allowance based on money remitted rather than the time spent abroad.

I also have got the Cabinet approval to incorporate the Japanese language into the school curriculum from primary classes. We have failed to secure and capitalize on the job opportunities that are available for migrant workers in Japan mainly due to language requirements. Japan will need over 6.4 million migrant workers by 2040 and the benefits of the decision, therefore, are long-

I am in the process of amending the foreign employment act with a futuristic perspective to facilitate the changes in the foreign employment landscape. This will empower the role of the Foreign Employment Bureau as a regulator. I will also set up a separate unit called 'Overseas Sri Lankan' to serve Sri Lankans living abroad and to recognize their contribution to our economy. Setting up district-level hostel facilities for the children of migrant workers and exclusive housing schemes for overseas Sri Lankan are also being discussed at the moment to encourage and recognize foreign employment.

I recently got Cabinet approval to fill the vacancies of the approved cardre of the labour sections of foreign missions that are self-sufficient. The overseas cardre was reduced mainly due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the foreign currency crisis we are facing. This would help us secure more job opportunities while servicing the migrant workers overseas.

I have directed my officials to focus on new market development in terms of new destination countries where we have not

been active traditionally. Certain European countries such as Romania, Poland, and Serbia offer substantial growth opportunities in foreign employment.

Last year State employees were allowed to seek foreign employment by granting them no pay leave without it affecting their pension and seniority level. Does the offer still stand? What other concessions do they get?

A: Yes, it still exists. The major concern that every public sector employee has is about pension and seniority. Therefore, the Government has decided to protect their rights while allowing them to work overseas. They can find a job here in the private sector or go for higher studies abroad through scholarships or self-funded schemes too.

At the moment we have over 106,000 public workers registered with us expressing their interest in foreign employment. We are in the process of developing a web-based platform to bring multiple stakeholders together to facilitate this smoothly. Without a proper understanding of the skills required for foreign employment opportunities and the current competencies of the applicants, this initiative of the Government would not be a success. The proposed system would perform a skill assessment of each candidate, and link them with potential employers and foreign employment agencies while guiding them to obtain and upgrade necessary technical competencies through various private and public sector institutes. A few leading Sri Lankan-based software companies have offered their assistance in developing this system as a crowd-sourcing project.

There are over 1.7 million public sector employees and we are about 40 percent overstaffed. This is a huge burden to the economy. The Government has proposed this project to right-size the public sector.

The abuse of Sri Lankan migrant workers has been an ongoing problem throughout the years. How do you hope to tackle this issue?

A: This is mainly among those who go as domestic workers due to various reasons. As I mentioned earlier, this is a result of age restrictions. Hence under age females used to travel illegally to seek employment abroad. Also, we

have seen a surge in female workers travelling on visit visas not declaring the real purpose of travelling and subsequently converting their visas into work permits. These individuals have been victims of human trafficking and abuse. Those who register with the Bureau by fulfilling the prerequisite are not vulnerable as their whereabouts are known. Those who lack training, orientation, and exposure among these job aspirants have fallen into these situations. We are in the

process of offering advanced house-

keeping and caregiving training that is

on par with international vocational

qualifications. Also, we have begun

A: Jobs in the care economy have the highest potential at the moment. It offers a wide variety of jobs such as social care, elderly care, disability care, caregiver, domestic nurses,

individuals.

their rights.

nursemaid, nursing aides, and medical nurses. These are jobs mainly available in developed countries including the UK, USA, Germany, Singapore, and Japan. Countries such as Israel and Gulf countries also offer a significant amount of opportunities. At the moment there are over 27,000 job orders secured by private sector agencies. Unfortunately they struggle to find qualified candidates mainly due to language barriers. The care sector offers the most lucrative salaries ranging from Rs. 250,000 to over one million in certain countries.

Some time back there were talks of certain countries demanding foreign employees or students be vaccinated with a certain brand of Coronavirus vaccine.

A: This was the case soon after the vaccine was introduced. But now with the learning curve, most of the vaccines have improved while available choices are wide. As of now, there is no such restriction demanding a spe-

A couple of years back many migrant workers returned to Sri Lanka to safeguard themselves and their

families from Coronavirus. Now that the country needs foreign currency, workers have to find foreign employment again amid new variants of Coronavirus and Monkeypox. Have a majority of countries opened up to employ Sri Lankans and what are the demands they need to fulfill before seeking foreign

employment?

A: Almost every country now has opened its borders to migrant workers. Most of the countries that had restrictions in place now face severe labour shortages in the areas of construction, tourism, healthcare, and manufacturing. This has resulted in a surge in demand for migrant workers. While vaccination is a must and most of the country-specific rules and regulations remain unchanged.

Are one-day services for passport issuing ongoing? What are the other challenges that immigrants face when getting their passport or visa finalized today and what are the solutions you have proposed?

A: As a result of the prevailing economic crisis and uncertainty, a new segment of local job seekers started looking for foreign employment resulting in an unusual demand for passports. This has been a challenge while carrying out day-to-today functions such as passport renewal. The current demand is way beyond the designed capacity of the Immigration Department and there is a limitation by default unless the issuance of passports is decentralized. Since the demand is not sustainable such decentralization will not be an effective investment in the long term.

However, I have had several discussions with the immigration controller to bring the service level to an acceptable level. Accordingly, a dedicated new counter is now open for migrant workers who have secured a job offer or contract. Also, a special arrangement is made for foreign employment agencies to pro-

cess passports in the event of bulk job orders. What is your message to Sri Lankans who are trying to seek foreign employment today?

A: The majority of migrant employees are

products of the free education in the country.

We all have an obligation towards the country

less of where we are employed. Where we work

is a choice everyone can

make independently

and no one can force

you to seek foreign employment simply

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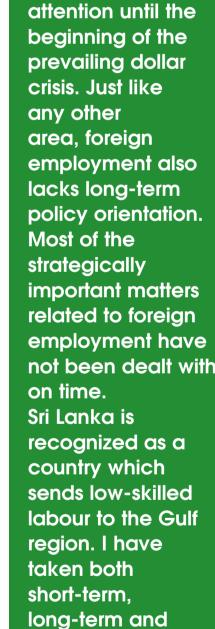
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ing that the Government is trying to export

the labour force of the country for their bene-

fit. Sri Lankan has been predominantly a wel-

fare state since its Independence which has

created an overdependence on the State while

leading to a political culture that we experi-

ence today. It is time we change now and take

responsibility for our own lives by working

and it applies to me as well. The job of the

State is to be a regulator while Governments change and introduce new policies compatible

with their political ideology and will. I will,

without fear, introduce new policies that are

modern to facilitate anyone aspiring to work

abroad. Those who seek foreign employment

have to respect the rule of law of the destina-

tion country while upholding the value system of Sri Lanka and demonstrating strong work ethics. Finally, none of these will be in favour of the country unless earnings are transmitted through legal channels that will have a far more positive impact across the country. The role of foreign employment was not given much not been dealt with

COVID incubation gets shorter with each new variant, study shows

US: With each new COVID-19 variant, the interval between exposure and symptom development appeared to shorten, according to a study published on August 22 in JAMA Network Open.

COVID-19 is known to have a longer incubation period than other respiratory viral infections such as the flu, helping to explain why health agencies initially recommended a 14-day quarantine after exposure. Researchers from Peking University and Tsinghua University in Beijing analyzed data from 142 studies involving 8,112 patients to estimate whether the incubation period changed with different variants of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Former Australian PM

'fundamentally undermined'

Govt. with secret ministries

They found the mean incubation period pooled from all of the studies analyzed was 6.57 days.

That fell to an average of five days for the alpha variant; 4.5 days for beta, 4.4 days for delta and 3.4 days for omicron, the findings showed.

"Incubation period is one of the most important epidemiological parameters of infectious diseases," researchers said. "Identifying the incubation period of different variants is a key factor in determining the isolation period."

The CDC currently recommends people exposed to COVID-19 quarantine for five days followed by mask use for an additional five days. - BLOOMBERG



Bangladesh to reduce working hours to battle energy crisis

BANGLADESH: Schools in Bangladesh will close an additional day each week and government offices and banks will shorten their work days by an hour to reduce electricity usage amid concerns over rising fuel prices and the impact of the Ukraine war.

The reduced hours take effect Wednesday. In Bangladesh, most schools are closed on Fridays, but now will also close on Saturdays, Cabinet Secretary Khandker Anwarul Islam said Monday.

He said government offices and banks will cut their work days to this decision? seven hours from the previous



eight hours, but that private offices will be allowed to set their own schedules.

What lead the government to

Supply disruptions caused by

have led to soaring world prices for energy and food. The country has

been suffering more frequent power cuts after the government suspended operations of all diesel-run power plants, reducing daily elec-

tricity production by 1,000 megawatts. Bangladesh's foreign currency reserves have dwindled to around US\$40 billion.

- THE HINDUSTAN TIMES



Former Australian Prime Minister **Scott Morrison**

with the conventions and practices that form an essential part of the system of responsible Government prescribed by the... Constiernment and his own party, tution," the advice said.

Three ministers were unaware Morrison shared tries without telling parlia- power over their ministries ment or his cabinet, an of home affairs, treasury unprecedented assumption and finance until last week. Morrison said he only inter-In the written advice, the vened in one ministry, resources, to block an offcal that the public and Par-shore gas project. The deciliament were not informed sion is now being challenged in court by the resources company.

- JAPAN TODAY

Europe's drought may be continent's worst in 500 years

experiencing its worst drought in at least 500 years, with hot and dry conditions fueling wildfires, reducing crop yields and reducing electricity generation, according to a preliminary analysis from the European Union's Joint Research Center.

The report from the European Drought Observatory said that 47% of Europe is under warning conditions, with a clear deficit of soil moisture, and 17% of the continent is under a state of alert, in which vegetation is impacted.

Record-breaking temperatures in Europe this summer have disrupted transportation, displaced

recruit health profes-

from Nepal



A goose looks for water in the dried bed of Lake **Velence in Velence, Hungary on August 11, 2022.**

thousands of people, and resulted in hundreds of heat-related deaths. The heat has also exacerbated wildfires, which have grown more destructive in recent years.

water levels in the entire EU," European Innovation Commissioner Mariya Gabriel said in a statement. "We are currently noticing a wildfires season sensibly above the average and an important impact

on crops production." Water and heat stress have slashed Europe's

casts for grain maize, soybean and sunflowers expected to be 16%, 15% and 12% below the average of the previous five years, respectively.

À lack of rainfall has also affected river discharges widely across Europe. Reduced water volume has hit the energy sector for hydropower generation and cooling systems of other power plants.

Drought hazard has been rising most notably in Belgium, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Moldova, the Netherlands, northern Serbia, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Ukraine and the U.K, the report said.

- CNBC

Britain to recruit Nepalese health workers to offset labour shortage

US HOUSE SPEAKER'S HUSBAND GETS 5-DAYS JAIL FOR DRUNK DRIVING

US: Paul Pelosi, the husband of US House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor driving under the influence charges related to a May car crash he caused in the Napa County city of Yountville, and was sentenced to five days in jail and three years of probation, according to authorities. Paul Pelosi, 82, won't serve any additional jail time after already serving two days and receiving conduct credit for two other days. - THE HIN

FINLAND'S 'PARTYING PM' **APOLOGISES FOR CONTROVERSIAL PIC**

FINLAND: Finland's prime minister Sanna Marin apologised on Tuesday for a controversial photo taken at her residence, less than a week after the 36-year-old sparked criticism with a video of her partying. "I think the picture is not appropriate, I apologise for it. Such a picture should not have been taken," Marin told reporters in Helsinki. - THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

15TH JOURNALIST KILLED IN MEXICO THIS YEAR

MEXICO: A journalist who ran an online local news programme was shot to death Monday in southern Mexico, making him the 15th media worker killed so far this year nationwide. 2022 has been one of the deadliest ever for journalists in Mexico, which is now considered the most dangerous country for reporters outside a war zone. - THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

PFIZER'S COVID-19 VACCINE 73.2% EFFECTIVE IN CHILDREN UNDER 5

INDIA: Pfizer Inc and BioNTech's vaccine was 73.2 per cent effective in preventing COVID-19 among children aged six months through four years old, new data from the companies showed on Tuesday. The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine was authorised for children under five years of age in June. - THE STRITS TIMES

US TO GIVE ANOTHER US\$ 3BN OF ARMS TO UKRAINE

US: The Biden administration is set to announce it will give Ukraine an additional US\$3bn worth of arms on the country's independence day. The new security package will be the single biggest one provided to Kyiv as the war with Russia also marks its sixth month, a US official said on Tuesday. - INDIA TODAY

Over 130 Indian-Americans hold key positions in Biden administration

US: US President Biden shattered the record of his predecessor Donald Trump, who had appointed more than 80 Indian-Americans. President Biden has

day.

had agreed "there will be

need for a further inquiry"

Morrison, who stepped down as leader of the Lib-

eral Party after losing a

General Election in May,

has faced a barrage of criti-

cism from the Labor Gov-

after it was revealed he was

secretly sworn in to minis-

Solicitor General was criti-

of Morrison's appointment

This was "inconsistent

to the ministries.

into the matter.

appointed more than 130 Indian-Americans to key positions in his administration so far, the best representation from the community that makes up around one per cent of the American popula-

In doing so he has not only fulfilled his promise to the community that he had made as a presidential candidate in 2020, but also shattered the record of his predecessor Donald Trump, who had appointed more than 80 Indian-Americans and his previous boss Barack Obama, who had appointed over 60 Indian-Americans to key positions during his eight years of presidency.

More than 40 Indian-Americans has been elected at various state and federal levels including four in the U.S. House of Representatives. Not to miss the more than 20 Indian-Americans leading top U.S. companies. According to the list prepared by Indiaspora, more en of Adobe, Vivek Lall of than 40 Indian-Americans General Atomics, Punit Renhave been elected to various offices across the country. niam of FedEx. - THE HINDU



U.S. President Biden's main advisor on COVID-19 is Dr. Ashish Jha.

resentatives — Dr. Ami Bera, Ro Khanna, Raja Krishnamoorthi and Pramila Jayapal.

Led by Indian-Americans Sunder Pichai of Google and Satya Nadella of Microsoft, there are over two dozen Indian-Americans heading U.S. companies. Among others include Shantanu Narayjen of Deloitte, Raj Subrama-



Four are in the House of Rep-This includes four Mayors.

"The combination of a severe drought and heatwaves has created an unprecedented stress on

mid-July, an increase of agreed between the two

Himalayan country, offi- British health sector. They will "receive helping Britain offset a equal rights, privileges, labour gap while Nepal protection and dignity as health professionals from the UK", it said.

nary agreement to allow

"fair and ethical recruit-

care professionals in the

Millions of Nepali workers, mainly in the Nepal government and Middle East and Malaythe British Embassy in sia, sent home \$8.33 bil-Kathmandu said they lion in the year ending

Britain will had signed a prelimi-2.2% from the previous year, even as activists say working conditions are poor for many Nepalis abroad.

Britain will launch a pilot phase of the recruitment that will begin with nurses, though no time frame was given.

"Further details including the protocol of recruitment and placement will be jointly

governments," the statement said.

While Britain has recruited Nepal's Gurkhas, hailing largely from the Himalayan foothills and known for their fighting skills, in its army for more than 200 years, the healthcare effort involves the first labour supply agreement between the Secretary at the Ministry of Labour, Employment and Social Securitwo countries.

- TIMES OF INDIA



ty, Ek Narayan Aryal and British Ambassador to Nepal, Nicola Pollitt signed the MoU on Monday.



Severe drought conditions dried up a river in Dinosaur Valley State Park in Teas, revealing these footprints.

Drought uncovers dinosaur tracks in Texas park

US: A drought in Texas dried up a up completely in most locations, allowriver flowing through Dinosaur Valley State Park, exposing tracks from giant reptiles that lived some 113 million years ago, an official said Tuesday.

Photos posted on Facebook show three-toed footprints leading down a dry tree-lined riverbed in the southern US state. It is "one of the longest dinosaur trackways in the world", a caption accompanying the images says.

Stephanie Salinas Garcia of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department said dry

weather made the tracks visible. "Due to the excessive drought conditions this past summer, the river dried

ing for more tracks to be uncovered here in the park," she said.

"Under normal river conditions, these newer tracks are under water and are commonly filled in with sediment, making them buried and not as visible," Garcia said.

Most of the recently revealed tracks were made by Acrocanthosaurus, which weighed nearly seven tonnes as an adult and stood 4.5 metres (15 feet) tall.

Another dinosaur, Sauroposeidon, also left tracks in the park. It measured 18 metres (60 feet) tall and weighed 40 tonnes in adulthood.

The state park - located in an inland area southwest of the city of Dallas was once on the edge of an ancient ocean, and dinosaurs left footprints in the mud, its website says.

While drought revealed the tracks, rain is in the forecast, meaning they are likely to be covered once more.

"While they will soon be buried again by the rain and the river, Dinosaur Valley State Park will continue to protect these 113 million-year-old tracks not only for present, but future generations," Garcia said. -THE SOUTH CHINA **MORNING POST**

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UNILEVER JOINS 'MANUDAM MEHEWARA' INITIATIVE

IMF meets Sri Lanka President to finalise bailout package

A team from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) met Sri Lanka's President Ranil Wickremesinghe for talks to finalise a bailout package, including restructuring debt of about US\$ 29 bn, amid the nation's worst financial crisis in more than 70 years.

The second such IMF visit in three months came on Wednesday as the Indian Ocean island scrambles to lock in a staff-level pact with the global lender for a possible US\$ 3 bn programme to pave its way out of the crisis.

"The IMF team met with the president and a finance ministry delegation late yesterday," an official at the presidential secretariat told Reuters. The team also held talks with Central Bank Governor Dr. Nandalal Weerasinghe and other officials, including representatives of Sri Lanka's financial and legal advisers Lazard's and Clifford Chance.

The main sticking point of the talks is



Dr Nandalal Weerasinghe



Masahiro Nozaki and Peter Breuer from IMF

how to find a sustainable track for Sri Lanka's unwieldy debt, which stood at 114% of gross domestic product (GDP) at the end of last year, to clinch a stafflevel agreement in September. Sri Lanka has US\$ 9.6 bn in bilateral debt and its private credit, which includes international sovereign bonds, stands at US\$ 19.8 bn, finance ministry data show. Japan and China are the largest holders of bilateral debt, with the latter account-

ing for about \$3.5bn. Overall, when commercial debt is added, China holds about a fifth of Sri Lanka's debt portfo-

"The issue will be how Chinese and domestic debt will be included in the talks," said Timothy Ash, senior emerging markets sovereign strategist at Blue-Bay Asset Management. "Other bilateral creditors won't be willing to allow China to get away with not having comparable

treatment this time. China is part of the problem, and needs to be part of the solution this time."

For months the population of 22 million has struggled with soaring inflation, economic contraction and a severe shortage of essential items of food, fuel and medicine caused by a record slump in foreign reserves. The country's most severe financial crisis since independence from Britain in 1948 stemmed from the combined effects of the

COVID-19 pandemic and economic mismanagement, stoking unprecedented

In July, the then-president, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, left the country and resigned after a mass uprising. President Ranil Wickremesinghe, who is also the finance minister, plans to ask Japan to lead talks on bilateral debt restructuring after Sri Lanka secures IMF support.

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'Tourism promotion not focusing enough in social media marketing'



SHIRAJIV SIRIMANE

The Colombo Business Association lashed out at the Sri Lanka tourism promotions stating that proper marketing focus is not directed towards social media marketing.

"Social media today is a very powerful tool and it even has resulted in democratically elected Presidents having to leave their positions. But sadly though Ministers make sincere efforts to promote tourism officials have not made good progress said CBA Chief Secretary, Chaminda Vidanagamage,

He said that today due to the Ukraine war and global gas shortage a lot of tourists want to leave Europe and no major initiative had been made to woo tourists to Sri Lanka for the upcoming season. He also said that tourists should also be given

preference in filling stations and they can show their passport to pump fuel if they are travelling on their own (like bikes).

He also thanked the government for taking sturn steps to curtail uncalled-for regular demonstrations which cripple the country. Aragalaya was incited with the slogan 'Gota go Home' and right or wrong that was achieved. "Hence Aragalaya has to now stop and they cannot have new slogans on a daily basis.'

Also one of the biggest supports for the Aragalaya was the suffering people encountered in fuel and gas queues and these two are no longer issues. "This is why the August 9 protest failed and people now want peace. This peace will allow more tourists to come to Sri

China to Pick 17 African countries for Debt Forgiveness, Offers \$10 bn in IMF Funds

China, the largest government creditor to emerging economies, has said it will forgive 23 interest-free loans to 17 African countries and redirect \$10 billion of its International Monetary Fund (IMF) reserves to nations on the conti-

Foreign Minister Wang Yi announced the cancellations in a meeting of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation, according to a post on the ministry's website, quoted by a Bloomberg report.

In recent years, China has established itself as Africa's largest bilateral lender bankrolling key infrastructure projects on the continent as well as giving out loans.

The Asian super power will also redirect \$10 billion of its IMF to the yet unnamed nations on the continent, according to Yi, who spoke at the coordinator's meeting on the implementation of the follow-up actions of the eighth ministerial conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC).

"China will waive the 23 interest-free

loans for 17 African countries that had matured by the end of 2021.

"We will also continue to increase imports from Africa, support the greater development of Africa's agricultural and manufacturing sectors, and expand cooperation in emerging industries such as the digital economy, and health, green and low-carbon

It's not clear if Nigeria will be included among the benefitting countries, but checks on the Debt Management Office (DMO) showed that as of March 31, 2020, the total borrowing by Nigeria from China was \$3.121 billion.

This amount, it said. 3.94 per cent of Nigeria's total public debt of \$79.303 billion (N28,628.49 billion at USD/N361) as at March 31, 2020.

The Chinese government did not provide details on the value of the loans which it said matured at the end of last year, nor did it state which nations owed the money.

Since 2000, Beijing has announced multiple rounds of debt forgiveness of interest-free loans to African countries, cancel-

lion of debt through 2019, according to a study published by Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. The cancelled

ling at least \$3.4 bil-

debt was limited to mature, interest-free foreign aid loans, with Zambia receiving the most cancellations over that

Meanwhile, developing nations have amassed a quarter-trillion dollar pile of distressed debt that threatens to create a historic cascade of defaults by economies that were struggling even before the Covid-19 pandemic.

Egypt nears deal on new IMF loan

Egypt is nearing an agreement with the International Monetary Fund on a new loan, its prime minister said, signaling more help for the economy may be immi-

nent after a leadershakeup at the central bank. government is in the finalagreements

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financing from the IMF," Premier Mostafa Madbouly said Monday in a statement from his cabinet. There were no further details, including on how much Egypt might borrow. (Bloomberg)

Proposals called for 100 MW AC Solar PV plant in Siyambalanduwa

Ceylon Electricity Board, on behalf of Cabinet Appointed Negotiating Committee of Minthe Develop a 100MW, AC Solar PV Ground Mount Prowler plant in Siyambalanduwa and also for the construction of 132 KW Transmission Facility on turnkey basis from Siyambalanduwa to Monaragala Grid Substation.

The successful bidders would be requested to finance, design, construct istry of Power and Energy has supply, commission and opened proposals from inter- maintain this facility on a ested parties for a project to build own operating model. The project land identified by the investors would be leased to the successful project company for the project period. CEB will also enter into a power purchase agreement for a period of 20 years

Dinesh Weerakkody feted at OPA Awards



Former Chairman HNB and Commercial Bank of Ceylon, Former Director DFCC and Chairman of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Dinesh Weerakkody was feted by the Organization of Professional Associations (OPA) of Sri Lanka at the national APEX awards held at the Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo recently. Here President Ranil Wickremesinghe who was the Chief Guest at the event presents an award to Weerakkody for his contribution to Banking and Finance. Picture by Sudath Malaweera

Food inflation (YoY) upto to 82.5%

Headline inflation, as measured by the al Consumer Price Index (NCPI, year-on-year (Y-o-Y) change in the Nation-2013=100) increased to 66.7% in July 2022



from 58.9% in June 2022. This increase in Yo-Y inflation was mainly driven by the monthly increases of both Food and Non-Food categories. Accordingly, food inflation (Y-o-Y) increased to 82.5% in July 2022 from 75.8% in June 2022, while Non-Food inflation (Y-o-Y) increased to 52.4% in July 2022 from 43.6% in

DIF managed by BOV Capital lead Rs. 205 mn funding round for IFINITY

BOV Capital, through its Digital Innovation Fund (DIF), recently completed a funding round that raised Rs 205 million for IFINITY (PVT) LTD, a financial solutions provider primarily focused on digital transformation within the BFSI

In addition to helping raise funds, BOV Capital will mentor and guide the highly experienced senior team at IFINITY in opening up new global markets, along with access to future follow-on funding opportunities.

According to Kishan Nadarajah, Principal at BOV Capital; "We look forward to nurturing the exceptional promise shown by IFINITY. Already a disruptor at the forefront of taking brick and mortar bank branches digital, IFINITY and its partnership with leading European enterprise software firm TEMENOS is center stage in shaping the future of the local FSI

A first of its kind dedicated technology services provider for the banking and financial service sector, IFINITY embraces a leandigital agile philosophy to allow financial service institutions to bring in digital transformation at an unprecedented scale. It works towards making banking seamless and invisible, which in turn helps people live richer, more vivid lives. IFINITY is a subsidiary of NCINGA, a Technology Solutions

Kishan Nadarajah, Principal at BOV Capital, exchanging Approach to Digital Transformation, which of IFINITY.

grabbed local headlines last year by spinning off its virtual factory operation to a Singapore-based tech unicorn in a landmark deal for Sri Lanka

valued at US\$ 15.5 million. "We are pleased to onboard DIF as our strategic partners to strengthen IFINITY's journey to help banks to become invisible and make banking a seamless lifestyle activity. We are confident that we can build a global services company to transform the banking and finance industry. Prior to IFINITY, we were also very lucky to have DIF in our previous startup nCinga Innovations which built the world's best Apparel MES platform, nFactory," commented Imal Kalutotage, Chairman of IFINITY.



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ICRA Lanka reaffirms [SL]A rating for **Softlogic Life Insurance**

ICRA Lanka Limited has reaffirmed the insurance financial strength rating of [SL]A (pronounced SL A) for Softlogic Life Insurance PLC. The outlook on the rating is Stable.

The rating factors in the Company's position as the second largest life insurance company in Sri Lanka in terms of Gross Written Premium (GWP), its high GWP growth of 28% YoY compared to the industry average of 21% YoY in FY2021, and healthy business performance indicators.

The high growth resulted in a rise in its market share in terms of GWP to 16.1% in December 2021 from 15.2% in December 2020. The rating also factors in the expected operational and managerial support from the Softlogic group. Softlogic Capital PLC (rated [SL] BBB+(stable outlook), a subsidiary holding company of Softlogic Holdings PLC (SHL), owns a 51.72% shareholding in SLI as at March

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COMBANK GEARED TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC REVIVAL OF SRI LANKA – MD/CEO

omestic Systemically Important Banks (D-SIBs) are integral to the economic stability of the country. In an exclusive interview with the *Daily* News Business, Commercial Bank's Managing Director and CEO Sanath Manatunge explains how the Bank plans to continue its role of facilitating exports, imports and remittances, its lending to key sectors including SMEs and shareholder value creation, while meeting all its statutory and governance obligations in the face of the challenges faced by the Sri Lankan economy. **Excerpts:**

The Central Bank has designated Commercial Bank as a domestic systemically important bank. What does this mean?

According to the criteria established in 2019 by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, Domestic Systemically Important Banks or D-SIBs are banks whose failure will have a substantial impact on the financial system due to their size, interconnectedness, lack of substitutability and complexity. The assessment for D-SIBs covers 12 principles, including total exposure, intra-financial system assets, intra-financial system liabilities, securities outstanding, assets under custody, trading volume, payments activity, notional amount of derivatives, level 2 assets as reported under Liquidity Coverage Ratio, cross-jurisdictional liabilities, cross-jurisdictional claims and trading and available for sale securities.

Commercial Bank of Ceylon is in fact categorised as a D-SIB under what is known as "Bucket 2" which is the highest bucket for banks in the country and is the only private sector bank so classified.

Does this designation place extra obligations or pressure on the Bank at times like this?

Yes, it does. As a Bucket 2 Domestic Systemically Important Bank, Commercial Bank is required to maintain a higher loss absorbency ratio, or HLA, of 1.5. HLA is Common Equity Tier 1 or CETI capital as a percentage of risk-weighted assets. CETI includes liquid bank holdings such as cash and stock. Before the global pandemic, Commercial Bank was required to maintain minimum Tier 1 and Total Capital Ratios of 10.00 % and 14.00% respectively. However, these

minimum ratios were brought down to 9.00% and 13.00% respectively due to the adverse impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic. The capital surcharge of 1.5% on D-DIBs represents an additional requirement for Commercial Bank as we have to maintain a higher capital adequacy ratio, while maintaining required StatutoryLiquidity Assets (SLA) ratio, liquidity coverage ratio and net stable funding ratio. This in addition to the pressures affecting all banks, especially in the backdrop of the current adverse economic conditions faced by the country, including the shortage of foreign currency, very high interest rates, depreciation of the Sri Lanka Rupee against the Dollar, the sharp rise in inflation and the impact of increased taxes. We are however confident that the bank has the financial strength to fulfil all the requirements of a D-SIB, and to play its pivotal role in the national economy.

What has the bank done to ensure it can continue to support the national economy amidst the challenges?

As a Domestic Systemically Important Bank, we have been a driving force in partnering and cooperating with national economic development efforts and playing a significant role in the post-pandemic recovery process. This includes granting working capital loans and providing concessions to affected sectors, even beyond the mandated debt moratorium measures and initiating our own COVID-19 financial relief programmes, especially the two separate bank-funded loan schemes for pandemic affected SMEs and micro enterprises.

Between 2020 and 2021, we had extended 49,566 moratorium facilities to a cumulative value of Rs. 217 billion to affected customers. Furthermore, 25% of the total portfolio of advances that came out of the moratorium were restructured through proactive communications and close monitoring by our staff.

We were also able to maintain our net nonperforming loan ratio at a low level of 1.44%, which reflects the high asset quality maintained by the Bank and the success of the initiatives implemented to help our customers tide over the difficult times.

Additionally, Commercial Bank was the largest lender to the SME segment in 2020/21 among all state-owned, private and specialised banks in the country. This is a significant achievement as the SME sector forms the backbone of the Sri Lankan economy, accounting for nearly 80% of all businesses and is a main source of employment generation, covering over 35% of jobs in the country.

How can the bank continue to play its role as a major facilitator of exports and imports with the dollar crisis unresolved?

Despite the current economic climate in the country, we manage our trade flows in an effective manner by accommodating import transactions based on the projected inflows of exchange and understanding the business needs of our clientele. In consideration of the national interest, priority is given to essential commodity imports. We also



encourage importers to contract with us for longer tenor periods, facilitate trade deals to arrange foreign exchange and coordinate with various Development Finance Institutions such as the Asian Development Bank, International Finance Corporation, India Exim Bank and the Saudi Exim Bank. This enables us to provide guarantees and create confidence among foreign correspondents to handle letter of credit confirmations.

Further, borrowing under bilateral and multilateral foreign exchange agreements from institutions like the Commonwealth Development Corporation have helped to fund our trade commitment at maturity. Treasury loans were obtained against trade receivables and future commitments, which provides the necessary strength to sustain trade business. We have also encouraged exporters to explore new ventures in business process outsourcing (BPOs), agriculture-based exports, the apparel and garments sectors to earn much needed foreign exchange in this crisis situation. A larger export market share of over 16% and regular export earnings has enabled the Bank to finance import bills despite the unresolved foreign exchange crisis.

We facilitate importers utilising the Indian credit line by providing necessary guidance and instructions. Use of innovative advance trade tools such as irrevocable reimbursement undertaking, bill avalisation, reimbursement authority financingand acceptance financing help importers to resist any disruption. In addition, we organise trade awareness programmes to educate importers and exporters to find new avenues of doing business and learn of remedial actions to address macroeconomic challenges.

The expertise and experience of our trade staff contribute towards the smooth flow of transactions while conforming to internal and external procedures and regulations. These initiatives introduced and implemented by the bank help importers and exporters to sustain their business activities and be resilient in the market.

How does the bank plan to maintain its support to the SME sector?

The Bank has already taken some important strides that is revolutionizing our approach to the SME sector. Our effort to have a fresh strategy forthe SME segment was initiated with a diagnostic study and a comprehensive transformation project conducted by a top global consultancy firm. While over the past several years the Bank's growth in the SME sector has been steady, we felt a novel approach was needed to cater to the evolving demands of SMEs and to increase our portfolio.

The Bank prioritised a data-driven approach, taking a microscopic look at our portfolio for insights on growing our existing relationships as well as targeting new customers by sector and region. From this central point, leads were generated and then disseminated to the branches to take them forward. These are aimed at understanding the customer needs and experiencing loan sanctioning in a speedier manner.

Commercial Bank already offers state-ofthe-art Digital Banking services to customers, together with a host of services for
their convenience. The Bank also has a
plethora of technology offerings
inclusive of digital banking
services, catering especially to the SME
segment. These
include Internet
Payment Gate-

way Services;

Code based payment solutions, Point-of-Sale solutions catering to smaller businesses, specially designed internet-based payment solutions for SMEs such as "ComBank Simple Pay" and salary payment packages such as our Paymaster app.

Having seen the need for a platform where the SME sector could be recognised and catered to further, we formed such a platform named the 'ComBank Biz Club." It is a platform that focuses on bringing SME customers together in order to create new business opportunities and to provide them support beyond lending. Four

tiers of membership – Premier, Platinum, Gold and Silver – were created to enable the Bank to identify and support the specific requirements of different SME customers. The Bank has also introduced a new loan scheme named 'Biz Loans for SMEs' which is a dedicated product to meet financial requirements of Biz Club members.

Additionally, we conduct our own capacity building Programmes and jointly conduct Financial Literacy Programmes with the Central Bank. The Bank has successfully conducted skill development/financial literacy programmes for over 11,000 entrepreneurs over a period of nineyears. We maintain a very close rapport with institutions such as the EDB, IDB, SEA, CEA and the ITI in order to extend necessary support for this sector.

We are also currently focusing on supply chain financing, where the suppliers of our corporate clients, who are generally SMEs, could be financed based on their cash flows.

What can the bank do to attract more remittances to the country?

Many Sri Lankans who send remittances using informal channels do not understand certain risks involved in such transfers. The Bank is making a concerted effort to educate our migrant workers by publishing messages and videos on social media platforms and making use of our Bank representatives based in overseas markets to educate Sri Lankans not to be influenced by promised short term benefits due to the high risk involved in informal transfers.

The Bank has also introduced an informative remittance App under the brand name "ComBank RemitPlus" which is another initiative to promote remittances to the country. This is a trilingual app where any stakeholder can download and get information about formal Remittance channels, especially our remittance partners located worldwide along with their FX rates, locations and many other services. The RemitPlus app is also integrated with several apps of our overseas partners to facilitate a smoother service to our customers. The main objective of this initiative is to generate wider awareness among Sri Lankan migrant workers and educate them about ways and means of remitting money to Sri Lanka which can be performed on a very secure, convenient and real-time basis. In addition, the Bank has set up a Remittance Processing Centre which operates around the clock, 365 days of the year to serve this important segment. We have also opened a



ucts to this segment such as the Remittance account, where seasonal discounts and low value emergency loans are being offered to our loyal remittance beneficiaries. The latest products that we have introduced to serve this market are the "Forex Plus" Fixed Deposit scheme and "Arunalu" Foreign Currency Minors Account with the intention of increasing the inflows of foreign currency to the country. Our representatives based in main overseas markets support Sri Lankan workers in banking-related services and we have organised eForums to virtually connect with our remittance partners and Sri Lankan professionals in the main remittance markets to promote investments and high value deposits to the Bank. This will stimulate remittance of foreign currency to the country.

What role can the Bank's governance policies and sustainable business practices play in these challenging times?

The Bank's governance policies support the Central Bank's initiatives to stabilise economic fundamentals in areas such as export business, remittances and support to SMEs. Despite the difficult times, the Bank will not compromise on governance for short term gain. As a responsible Bank that has supported the country for over a century, we will continue to prioritise long term strategies that will support the local economy.

On the other hand, in keeping with our ethos of creating value and convenience for our customers, we will continue our empathetic stance towards customer support and solutions with a special focus on struggling export businesses and SMEs that contribute towards the economy.

Furthermore, the Bank's Social and Environmental Management System (SEMS) implemented with the support of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) enables us to assess and manage social and environmental risks systematically and ensures we lend to environmentally sustainable, socially acceptable and economically viable projects.

Our relentless efforts in digitising banking practices too will benefit the country in the long run.

Given the challenges, how does the Bank achieve shareholder value creation?

The Bank has continued to demonstrate remarkable operating resilience throughout the pandemic through customer focus, digital engagement and operational excellence. The results reflect our strong ability to maintain healthy and balanced growth in core banking operations to mitigate the impacts of fluctuations in income.

Each quarter, we have been maintaining or improving on our key performance ratios to become even more financially stable and better positioned to continue our mission as a systemically important bank.

Our consistent commitment to ethical compliance, risk management, the environment and the community, we believe, will continue to position us an attractive and responsible entity in the eyes of our existing and potential shareholders.

Some of the initiatives through which

we create value for our shareholders

include rebalancing the Bank's portfolio to be more sustainable from a risk perspective, protecting and growing the capital base, expanding to overseas operations, digitalization, analytics and IT initiatives to improve efficiencies, investments in key sustainability initiatives that have resulted in becoming a 'Net Zero' bank



Unilever joins 'Manudam Mehewara' initiative by Corporate Sri Lanka

Aiming to assist over 200,000 vulnerable families

Unilever has pledged their support to the 'Manudam Mehewara' emergency relief programme, initiated by Dialog Axiata PLC, MAS Holdings, Hemas Holdings PLC, execution partner Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement and independent auditor PwC Sri Lanka, together with CBL Group, Citi, Sunshine Holdings PLC and Huawei Technologies Lanka Co Pvt Ltd.

Together with its likeminded corporate partners, the 'Manudam Mehewara' initiative aims to provide emergency relief to more than 200,000 vulnerable families across Sri Lanka. Emergency relief is currently being distributed across all 25 districts, where over 100,000 families in-need have been assisted to date. The 'Manudam Mehewara' programme will conduct its relief efforts until a sustainable benefit transfer system is established in the country through an

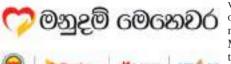
Unilever Sri Lanka
Marketing Director,
Personal Care and Beauty &
Wellbeing Nilushi Jayatileke
said; "It moves us deeply to
see the economic hardships
and unprecedented challenges faced by our fellow Sri
Lankans. At Unilever, we
believe in making sustainable living commonplace.
Many of our purpose-led
brands have always considered it a responsibility to
help build a sustainable Sri

effective economic

recovery plan.



Harsha Samaranayake, Senior General Manager Brand and Media, Group Marketing of Dialog Axiata PLC; Kamal Gamage, Acting Executive Director, Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement; Navin Pieris, Group Chief Officer, Dialog Enterprise, Dialog Axiata PLC; Nilushi Jayatileke, Marketing Director Personal Care and Beauty & Wellbeing, Unilever Sri Lanka; Sharmila Bandara, Marketing Director Home Care and Nutrition, Unilever Sri Lanka; Channa Tennakoon, Head of Media and Activation, Unilever Sri Lanka and Harini Rajadasa, Head of Regulatory and Corporate Affairs and External Communications, Unilever Sri Lanka.



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Lanka by facilitating a better quality of life for our people. Whilst all of us have been doing our part as corporates, the national crisis which we are faced with today is of a much greater magnitude than what a single brand or single corporate can do to make an impactful change. This is where the power of the collective plays an important role. I would like to congrat-

ulate Dialog and Sarvodaya as well as the other founding partners for launching

ners for launching
Manudam Mehewara,
to create a platform to
bring together the
power of the collective, in order to help
our fellow Sri Lankans in a way that
would make a scalable impact."

Dialog Enterprise, Dialog Axiata PLC Group Chief Officer Navin Pieris said, "It is incredible to see corporates step up and assist in bringing marginalised communities relief and assistance during this time of dire need. I would like to thank Unilever for joining this initiative to create real and large-scale impact. Along with our like-minded partners, we are on a mission of reaching 200,000 vulnerable families and to date, we have supported over 100,000 families with emergency relief. I humbly invite Corporate Sri Lanka to stand with us in this united effort, for together we can continue to make a difference."

'Manudam Mehewara' invites all Sri Lankans and corporates to join its shared mission of supporting the most vulnerable families across the country and contribute towards this cause. Individuals can now simply donate to the cause via their credit/debit card on the website - https://dlg.lk/donate or through a bank transfer, Star Points transfer, eZ Cash, genie or via a mobile top-up.

CurveUp offers Digital Workspace Training for Lawyers



The participants of the first batch of the Digital Workspace Training for Lawyers programme

Following its successful turnout and participation in its first ever batch of the Digital Workspace Training for Lawyers programme, CurveUp, a leading technology consultancy and education provider is now calling practicing lawyers islandwide to join its upcoming second batch.

The 6-week programme helps lawyers to upskill to the digital workspace and enhance literacy in Cyber Law and Cyber Security in addition to virtual communication skills

Digital Workspace Training for Lawyers, sponsored by the American Centre Colombo through the U.S. Embassy Colombo, Sri Lanka, is a programme aimed to equip lawyers with a multitude of emerging and contemporary learning and skills required to navigate today's digital landscape.

The programme comprises of best practices for legal communication, digital workspace infrastructure, communication, digital footprint, network-

ing, planning, and collaboration, learnings on digital nomad culture focusing on identity as a digital lawyer, emerging trends, pros and cons of virtual court hearings, and helping digitalize services to create a digital workspace.

It also takes lawyers through the concept and existing cyber laws in Sri Lanka, with the view of understanding the various institutions, legal procedures, mechanisms and challenges with implementing such cyber laws. And on cyber security where one could explore live cyber attack maps, and gain perspectives on the global leadership on cyber security, cyber crimes, fata protection and privacy and e-transation legislations, type of cyber threats, cyber bullying among other interesting topics.

Some of the resource persons of the programme include Dinushka Medagoda, Attorney-at-law and Managing Partner of E-Law Chambers, Naushalya Rajapakshe, Attorney-at-law and

Founding Director of Yeheliya Foundation and Asela Waidyalankara, a renowned cyber security expert with more than a decade of experience in progressive technology, digital strategy and policy in the country.

Digital Workspace Training for Lawyers is conducted via Zoom for six weeks, with the second batch scheduled to commence by the end of this Month. The eligibility criteris for the programme required 2-3 years of experience, basic IT literacy and English language competency.

CurveUp actively works together with numerous schools, global institututions, SME, and NGO communities to develop solutions that are innovative, adaptive, and effective, facilitating meticulously designed learning and development activities through its DDE – Design, Deliver & Engage concept. For more information about CurveUp - visit www.gocurveup.com.

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AIRPORT & AVIATION SERVICES (SRI LANKA) (PRIVATE) LIMITED (AASL)

BID INVITATION

BID NO.: 005/T/2022

BID INVITATION FOR THE PROVISION OF STAFF TRANSPORT FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF AASL,

MATTALA - RAJAPAKSA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - MATTALA

MATTALA - RAJAPAKSA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - MATTALA GROUP 'D'

(2022 – FOR ONE YEAR DURATION FROM AWARD OF THE CONTRACT)

1. Bids are invited from reputed Transport Service Organizations for provision of transport for the employees of the Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited at the Mattala Rajapaksa International Airport at Mattala on the following Group 'D' routes. Bidder should be the current owner as specified in the vehicle registration certificates of the buses offered or the buses offered should be on Finance lease both in the name of the Bidder and the leasing company as the absolute owner throughout the contract period.

ROUTE NO.	GROUP 'D' ROUTES POINT OF COMMENCEMENT AND DESTINATION	MINIMUM NO. OF SEATS (without jumper seats)
D-1	Yodhakandiya (Roster) - MRIA, Mattala	58
D-2	Embilipitiya (Roster) - MRIA, Mattala	58
D-3	Hambantota (Roster) - MRIA, Mattala	58

2. Bidders should quote for all Group 'D' routes as shown above.

- 3. Bidding documents will be issued on weekdays (working days) between **9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. from 25th August 2022 up to 13th September 2022** at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake on payment of a non-refundable bidding document fee of Rs.10,500.00 (Rupees Ten Thousand Five Hundred) in cash per set.
- Pre Bid briefing will be held at 10.00 a.m on 02nd September 2022 at the Office of the Head Human Resources of Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited at New Administration Building, Bandaranaike International Airport, Naikanda, Katunayake.
- Thousand only) for all routes with a refundable bid deposit of Rs. 600,000.00/- (Rupees Six Hundred Thousand only) for all routes with a receipt for payment of cash to the Finance Division of Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited or in the form of a Bid Guarantee issued by a licensed commercial / specialized bank approved by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka operating in Sri Lanka. Bid Bond should be valid for a period of 120 days from the date of closing of bids.
- 6. Completed sealed bids made on forms issued by the Company must be submitted in duplicate. They must be placed in separate sealed covers and marked respectively as:

"Original Bid for the provision of Staff Transport" – Group "D"

"Duplicate Bid for the provision of Staff Transport" – Group "D"

Both envelopes enclosed in one securely sealed cover and marked, "Bid for the provision of Staff Transport" - Group 'D' - (2022 - FOR ONE YEAR DURATION FROM AWARD OF THE CONTRACT) together with Bid Number on the top left hand corner of the envelope should be sent by Registered Post to reach the Chairman, Procurement Committee - 1, Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Supply Chain Management Division, Bandaranaike International Airport - Katunayake or deposited in the Tender Box (Procurement Committee - 1) at the Supply Chain Management Division at or before 2.00 p.m. on 14th September 2022.

- 7. Bids will be closed at 2.00 p.m. on 14th September 2022 and will be opened immediately thereafter at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport and Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport Katunayake. Bidders or their authorized representatives may be present at the time of opening of bids.
- 8. Further information on this Bid Invitation could be obtained from the Office of the Head Human Resources on Telephone No. 2251837 or 2263513

CHAIRMAN

AIRPORT & AVIATION SERVICES (SRI LANKA) (PRIVATE) LIMITED BANDARANAIKE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, KATUNAYAKE.

INVITATION FOR BIDS



AIRPORT & AVIATION SERVICES (SRI LANKA) (PRIVATE) LIMITED

BID NO.: 027/T/2022

APPLY SEALANT FOR JOINTS BETWEEN
CONCRETE PANELS-TOP
ROOF SLAB OF TERMINAL BUILDING
AT BANDARANAIKE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,
KATUNAYAKE

Bids are invited by the Chairman, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited for the **Apply Sealant for Joints Between Concrete Panels –Top Roof Slab** at Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake.

To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and shall be registered for **Grade C6 and above** with the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) former ICTAD with experience in similar works.

Bids should be submitted on Documents obtained from the Division of Supply Chain Management, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake on *cash payment of Rupees Three Thousand (Rs. 3,000.00)* being a *non-refundable Bidding Document Fee*, together with an official letter of request, issued by the Bidder.

Bidding Documents will be issued *between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on any working day from 26.08.2022 up to 19.09.2022* at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. Bidding documents can be inspected free of charge at Supply Chain Management Division.

Bids should be deposited in the box provided for this purpose at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. If bidders are so desire, they may personally hand over the sealed bids to above address.

Bids will be closed at **2.00** *p.m.* on *Tuesday, the 20th September 2022* and will be opened immediately thereafter at the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. Bidders or their duly authorized representatives can be present at the time of opening of Bids.

An on demand *Bid Guarantee* equivalent to *Rupees Fifty Thousand only (Rs. 50,000.00)* in the form of a Bank Guarantee issued by a Bank approved by the Central Bank operating in Sri Lanka and payable to Chairman, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited should be submitted with the bid.

All bidders and their designated representatives are invited to attend a pre-bid meeting on **01.09.2022** at 10.00 hrs. at the Conference Room at Civil Engineering (Maintenance) Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake.

Chairman, Procurement Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any portion of the bid in the best interest of the company without adducing any reason.

Any further information could be obtained from the Supply Chain Management Division, Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake, on Telephone Nos. 011-2264103/011-2264102, e-mail: head.scm@airport.lk or by visiting our web site: www.airport.lk

Chairman

Airport & Aviation Services (Sri Lanka) (Private) Limited, Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake.

SriLankan Airlines Engineering on roll with C-Check for SereneAir

The Engineering division of SriLankan Airlines continues its winning streak with yet another C-Check for a customer airline. The heavy maintenance C-Check was performed on an Airbus A330-202 aircraft owned by Pakistani airline, SereneAir, at SriLankan Engineering's dedicated European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) approvedwide-body hangar.

SriLankan Engineering has carried out a total of six heavy maintenance checksto date this year for several customers, with each generating a significant inflow ofessential foreign currency.

The C-Check performed for SereneAir is unique in two ways. Firstly, it stems from the first exclusive base maintenance agreement that SriLankan Engineering has signed with a customer airline.

The contract grants exclusivity to SriLankan Engineering in carrying out all base maintenance work for current and planned Airbus A320 and A330 aircraft in SereneAir's fleet for a three-



year period. Secondly, it is the first instance where SriLankan Engineering has performed heavy maintenance work on an aircraftengine combination that is atypical of the aircraftengine combinations in SriLankan Airlines'own fleet. SriLankan Engineering has been rapidly advancing its profile and customer portfolio in South Asia and beyond as a highly reliable and capable provider of heavy maintenance services. SriLankan Engineering is

particularly recognized for its outstanding on-time performance; turnaround time (TAT) and workmanship within the industry. This is demonstrated through the increasing number of new customer airlines that have come on board for an assortment of aircraft maintenance services including base maintenance; line maintenance; and component maintenance.

This year alone, SriLankan Engineering has completed several high-value maintenance projects. This consists of numerous C-Checks forcustomer airlines in addition to SereneAirsuch as Nepal Airlines; SalamAir and Air Seychelles. Additionally, SriLankan Engineering has supplied Aircraft On Ground (AOG) base maintenance services to Turkish Airlines and FitsAir; andits fly-away teams provided major maintenance services for Nepal Airlines, Flyme (Villa Air) and Maldivianat overseas

Bank Ceylon inks deal with University of Sabaragamuwa



Bank Ceylon exchange the agreement with officials of the Sabaragamuwa University

Bank Ceylon recently entered into an exclusive partnership with the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka to promote digital payment facilities through the bank's Online Payment Gateway (IPG).

The ceremony took place recently with the patronage of the bank's Assistant General Manager Sabaragamuwa Province, W.M.N.D. Dayawansa, Regional Manager Embilipitiya, J.D. B.W. Jayakody, Manager University of Sabaragamuwa Branch, H.M.S. Herath, Manager Thalduwa Branch, S.N. Dayarathne, Manager Balangoda Branch K.K.J. R. Samarasekara and Indunil Athukorala from Provincial Sales Unit. Meanwhile, University of Sabaragamuwa Vice Chancellor Prof. R.M.U.S.K. Rathnayake, Dean of Faculty of Graduate Studies Prof. H.M.S. Priyanath, Registrar S. Uyangoda, Centre for Open and Distance Learning Director D. Jasingha, Bursar

K.A.R.S. Jayakody Bursar Acting W.A.M.P. Senadheera and Senior Assistant Bursar Salary, R.M.N.K. Rathnayake graced the occasion representing the University.

In leading the country's banking sector in digitization, BOC has been supporting the government to advance the country towards a sustainable developed nation through digitization which is in line with the Central Bank's digitization policy and programme.

In a testimony to its unmatched service excellence, "SLIM-Kantar People's Awards 2022" adjudged the Bank of Ceylon (BOC) as the "Best Service Provider of the year 2022" and "the Best Banking Service Provider of the year 2022" in the country, which were two prominent awards in the ceremony. As a recognition for its contribution towards promoting digital inclusivity in banking, BOC was awarded the prestigious "Overall Gold Award for

Excellence in Interbank Digital Payments" at the LankaPayTechnnovation Awards 2022 organized by the Lanka Clear Pvt Ltd. Over the past 83 years in operations, Bank of Ceylon continued to cement its position as the No.01Bank in the country while serving the national interest, as reflected by numerous global and local accolades. Bank of Ceylon was yet again recognized among world's top 1,000 banks by "The Banker MagazineUK". Despite various challenges, BOC maintains a strong balance sheet compromised of an asset base of over Rs.4 trillion and deposit base of over Rs.3 trillion in commanding its local peers. Bank of Ceylon captured the No.1 Banking Brand in Sri Lanka for the 14th consecutive year in the "Brand Finance Lanka's – Brand Annual" for the year 2022, while also becoming the sole Banking brand to surpass a brand

value over Rs. 50 billion.







Management team members - SDB bank



SDB bank Celebrates 25 Years of Service to Sri Lanka

SDB bank, one of the key players in Sri Lanka's SME-banking landscape, has 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 commenced with an official press conference. which was held at The Balmoral Ballroom at The Kingsbury, Colombo on the 17th of August 2022.









When Nimesh Perera performed the unthinkable against Muralitharan



Spin wizard Muttiah Muralitharan may have many international records under his belt before ending his illustrious career as the first and only man to capture 800 Test wickets.

But the same could not be said about his school records. When Muralitharan, as a promising schoolboy cricketer from St. Anthony's College, Katugastota completed back to back years capturing over 100 wickets each in the 1989-1990 and 1990-1991 seasons, it always seemed a tough record to better

But within the next five years, yet another spinner emerged – this time from St. Sebastian's College, Moratuwa, bettered those schools records by capturing a total of 264 wickets in two seasons.

Modara Muthugalage Don Nimesh Randika Gayan Perera, born September 5 in 1977 in Colombo, was a genuine all-rounder - an aggressive lefthanded middle to lower order batsman and a leg spinner.

Having made his first class debut in 1995-96, Perera captained the Sri

Lankan Under-19 side in a three-Test Samaraweera becoming the runner youth series against India the follow-

SCHOOL CRICKETER

ing season. He was elevated to tour England with the Sri Lankan A team in 1999. In the tour opener against England Cricket Board XI, he made 110 not out and took 4 wickets for 25 runs. He made his Twenty20 debut on August 17, 2004 for Chilaw Marians Cricket Club in the 2004 SLC Twenty20 Tour-

When former Sri Lanka cricketer Thilan Samaraweera of Ananda was well set to become the first ever to win the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year for three successive years - something which no schoolboy cricketer has done in its 44-yearold history, Nimesh Perera sprang the surprise pushing Samaraweera to the second place in 1996.

Samaraweera won back to back titles in 1994 and 1995 and it was Nimesh Perera of St. Sebastian's College. Moratuwa who was unanimously picked as Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year 1996, with

up.
When Nimesh Perera won the title in 1996, Sri Piyaratne Maha Vidyalaya, Padukka skipper Chandana Samarasinghe took away the Outstation Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year adjudged by the panel of umpires from

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the three umpiring associations -Association of Cricket Umpires Association (Sri Lanka), Central Province Cricket Umpires Association and Southern Province Cricket Umpires Association

Besides winning the top award, Nimesh Perera, who had a haul of over 100 wickets for the second successive year, also won the awards for the best bowler and was runner-up in the best all-rounder category.

Nimesh troubled schoolboy batsmen in successive years – capturing 130 wickets in the 1994-95 season and bagging 134 wickets in the following 1995-96 season. He had a haul of 134 wickets for 1,605 runs which gave him an average of 11.97 a piece. He also excelled as a batsman aggregating 764 runs.

In 1995, Nimesh was runner-up in the Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year award to Tilan Samaraweera of Ananda for the second time. However, Samaraweera's dream of becoming the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year which would have been for the third successive year was shattered by Nimesh.

In 1996, Nimesh Perera became the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year while Tilan Samaraweera became the runner-up. Samaraweera however kept the title of best all-rounder which he won in 1995 and Nimesh was runner-up in the previous year.

It was nice to see Trinity College and St. Benedict's College among the winners in that year. Kumar Sangakkara of Trinity, who went on to captain Sri Lanka with distinction, was picked as the best batsman while Benedictine Pradeep Hewage was

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Nimesh Perera, who was the first cricketer from St. Sebastian's to become the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year in 1996.

picked as the best fielder in the All-Island contest. Trinity was also picked as the best team in the Central Prov-

Nimesh Perera, who was the first cricketer from St. Sebastian's to become the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year, is another player to gain recognition for his performances on the Sri Lanka 'A' team tour of England in 1999. In 1996 he had shattered all inter-school bowling records held by Muralitharan in the 1990 and 1991 seasons.

He was an aggressive and adventurous left handed batsman in the middle-lower order and a capable leg spin bowler. He was a member of Upal Chandana's Sri Lanka squad for the Aiwa Cup tournament but he was not given a chance to play a single match.

His performances in the following tour matches against the Australians were a let-down culminating in him being excluded from the pool of players for the upcoming Sharjah tourna-

The excitement of school cricket will reach its climax when the country's top schoolboy cricketers will be rewarded for their efforts after a strenuous 2021-2022 season.

That's when the 44th Observer-SLT Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year gala awards night will be held in Colombo shortly. School cricket's premier and the first inter-school awards show will be sponsored by the country's national mobile communication provider SLT Mobitel, under its dynamic Group Chairman Rohan Fernando.

The rich four decade old history of the Observer-Mobitel Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year contest has given that much-needed inspiration and motivation to the country's budding schoolboy cricketers to extend their playing careers beyond school

There have been many outstanding players who aggregated over 1,000 runs or captured over 100 wickets during a season but only a few have taken such performances to the next level. Playing for a reputed club after ending their school careers and winning the Sri Lanka cap thereafter has been the dream of every schoolboy cricketer but only a handful would eventually fulfill that dream.

It is heartening to see the Mega Show marching towards its fifth decade in six years time. Most importantly, the country's national mobile service provider has been associated with Sri Lanka's first-ever school cricket awards show for 15 years.

Together with Sri Lanka Telecom and SLT Mobitel management, SLT Group Chairman Fernando has extended the fullest support to make the 'Mother of all Shows' a resounding success once again as it continues to remain the dream of every schoolboy and schoolgirl cricketers.

Meanwhile, voting for the Observer-Mobitel Most Popular Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year contest is mov-



Nimesh Perera

ing at a brisk pace as it is due to end by the end of this month.

It's high time to support your alma mater by voting for your favorite school cricketer and motivate the next generation of cricketers. It will be a morale booster for those outstanding young cricketers as the cream of players are preparing to enter the club arena with the hope of proudly wearing that Sri Lanka cap eventually.

It is good to discover that several others too have followed the Sunday Observer's initiative to hold similar awards shows to reward the achievements of schoolboy cricketers after every season. But all other similar shows failed to survive in the last two years during the Covid-19 pandemic. Thus, the Observer SLT School Cricketers of the Year' remains the 'Mother of all Shows'.

Needless to say how important it is for school cricketers to win an award as recognition for their commendable achievements after a strenuous season. It is not just appreciating their achievements but also a big inspiration for them to step into the big

All past winners of this prestigious title have repeatedly said what a big inspiration the award had been to their cricketing careers. Since its humble beginnings at the Nawaragahala in 1978/79, the 'Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year' contest has gone from strength to strength and will continue to prosper.



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Lankan team leaves for UAE in search of glory

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DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

We are ready to take on Asia Cup T-20 Cricket tournament and my team is in good shape to take this challenge, said Sri Lanka cricket team head coach Chris Silverwood at the interview before the Sri Lankan cricket team's departure from the Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) headquarters yesterday.

"We have a good team which led by experienced Dasun Shanaka and all players worked hard to prepare for this Asia Cup, said former England coach Silverwood. Actually T-20 cricket is unpredictable game, the team who perform well can win the game and the team who do less mistakes can win. We have to plan well and all six teams are very strong. Even the first game against Afghanistan we have to pose a good challenge and winning the first game is more important to go forward," added Silverwood.

Actually we had experienced pacemen like Dushmantha Chameera, Kasun Rajitha and Binura Fernando and both Binura and Chameera are white ball experts but all three players couldn't play this match due to injuries and now we have to play with young pacemen like Dilshan Madushanka, Matheesha Pathirana, Nuwan Thushara and Promod Madushan. Madushanka and Matheesha have good potential while they were really bowled well during the recently concluded SLC invitational T-20 league tournament. I was not here to see that tournament as I was away in England with my family for holidays. But I was very keen to followup that tournament to get good knowledge about our players before the Asia Cup. I came here two days before on last Monday and had few training sessions with the team," said Silverwood. "I was in



Sri Lankan cricket team for the Asia Cup T 20 cricket tournament before their departure to UAE (pix courtesy SLC)

Dubai and Sharjah with the England team during last T-20 World Cup and I have good knowledge about the wickets and it is mostly the flat wickets very suite for batsmen and bowlers have to do decent job at this T-20 tournament. My Assistant coach Naveed Nawaz and two specialized coaches Dharshana Gamage (fast bowling) and Piyal Wijethunga (spin bowling) presently doing wonderful job while SLC always doing a fine job and now this is my second home," said Chris Silverwood.

Naveed Nawaz the Assistant coach as well as batting specialized coach who was out of the training due to his injury during the last Pakistan Test series at Galle said he is well recovered from the injury while I was doing training session at Galle. I was never met with this type of injury during my cricket career but everything is all right and looking forward to do well with the team. Nawaz the former National

player who was the Bangladesh under 19 World Cup winning coach said the players have good commitment and preparation is very important to play this Asia Cup.

Sri Lankan skipper Dasun Shanaka said the team is well balanced and hope to make good challenge at this tournament."We missed several experienced bowlers but young bowlers are also in good touch to face this challenge," said skipper Dasun Shanaka.

Sri Lankan deputy Skipper Charith Asalanka who was tested positive for Covid-19 and well recovered after isolation period said my role is very heavy but doing a job as a deputy skipper is not a big pressure for me. "I missed two matches at the last T-20 invitational cricket tournament while my team SLC Blues ended as runners up. I think SLC gave good preparation during this tournament and we are very keen to take part this Asia Cup. I knew T-20 cricket is very competitive but our team had good preparation and ready to play. I don't care my batting position and any position I always like to play for my team and the country," added Charith

The most energetic all rounder Chamika Karunaratne (Unanduwa) said this Asia Cup is good preparation for the T-20 World Cup."I knew I have to bat very crucial stages at number 7-8 position but I always ready to take that challenge. I knew all opponent teams are focusing our team during this tournament but that is no pressure for us," added Chamika Karunaratne.

The champion leggie Wanidu Hasaranga is ready to bowl his best during this tournament. "I used to ball my normal way and making more dot balls and bowl good line and length as usual. I knew most of the team focused on my bowling but that is not a pressure and my role is to get wickets," Wanidu Hasaranga.

The dashing stroke player Bhanuka Raja-



Sri Lankan cricket head coach Chris Silverwood and fast bowling coach Dharshana Gamage near the team bus in front of the SLC headquarters. before their departure. (pix courtesy SLC)

paksha said I am very keen to play this tournament. "We are in good shape to play T-20 cricket. Especially I also have to make additional role as reserve wicket keeper of the side but that is nothing new and I used to do that role earlier. Sharjah and Dubai are two very famous grounds for this T-20 format and we're ready to play and my previous experience with playing this same two venues is an added benefit," said Bhanuka Rajapaksha.

Sri Lankan team led by Dasun Shanaka posed to get official team picture yesterday evening at the SSC grounds and then moved to team bus to Katunayake Airport. They have two day training sessions before the first matches in Dubai and scheduled to be played the first match against Afghanistan on 27 at the Dubai Stadium.

Nestomalt Cycling Challenge on August 28

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Preparations are underway for the Nestomalt Cycling Challenge, which will be held on 28 August at Viharamahadevi Park, Colombo from 8.00 am onwards. Organized by the Cycling Federation of Sri Lanka under the guidance of the Ministry of Youth and Sports for the second consecutive year, Nestlé Nestomalt joins hands as the sponsor for this year as well, to power the progress of cyclists and help them be 100% ready in body and mind.

omprising seven races, the event is expected to draw participation from over 500 aspiring cyclists and offer a platform to fast-track their professional careers.

The races includes Standard Open, Junior Men (Racing), Elite Women (Racing), Under 23 Men (Racing), Elite Men (Racing), Over 40



Men (Racing) and Over 50 Men (Racing). Nestlé has been an integral part of Sri Lankan lives for over 115 years. Being the company's flagship brand, Nestomalt has been trusted and enjoyed by Sri Lankan families for over 60 years.

MCA Open Cricket Sixes from August 30

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

More than 80 teams are expected to take part at the MCA Open Cricket Sixes tournament conducted by the Mercantile Cricket Association. The event once again sponsored by Citizens Development Business Finance PLC (CDB). The MCA Open cricket sixes will commence on August 30 and conclude with the finals at the MCA grounds on September 4.

The Executive Director and Chief Emergent Business Officer Karthik Elangovan said CDB always very keen to associate with cricket and for the fourth consecutive time they are sponsoring this MCA Open Cricket Sixes which attract more than 80 teams at the Mercantile sector. We have own CDB cricket team at Mercantile A division tournament which includes several National cricketers. We are very keen to help MCA which always give fine service to conduct Mercantile cricket tournaments while we, CDB associate with them to make this event a

The President of the MCA Nalin Wickramasinghe said conducting this type of sixes tournament is very difficult but my MCA tournament committee worked for their best to make it a reality while CDB sponsorship is very valuable.



Karthik Elangovan Executive Director and Chief Emergent Business officer of CDB handing over the sponsorship to MÇA President Nalin Wickramasinghe at the press conference held at MCA board room yesterday. Also in the picture Haritha Dissanayske MCA Executive Committee member and chairman Information and Technology Committee, K.D.S Kanishka Secretary sponsorship Committee and the Senior Management MCA, Shashindra Munasinghe executive director and sales and business development and Dharshana Jayasinghe CDB senior deputy General Manger Marketing (pic by Wimal Karunathilaka)

The team participation is very high while more teams are expected to join this tournament. Over 80 teams under Tier A and Tier B segment will compete while A matches will be held at MCA, Thurstan grounds and Colts grounds with 12 teams playing 15 matches at

each location. The tier B segment comprising of 72 teams will play 96 matches at 5 locations MCA, Wesley grounds and D.S Senanayake College cricket grounds as well at Sapper grounds Mattegoda and Dharmapala College grounds Pannipitiya.

Daraz onboards 'IZY' by Isuru Udana

Exclusive athleisure clothing brand IZY by Sri Lankan cricketing star Isuru Udana officially partnered with Daraz Mall, launching a collection of casual, comfortable clothing for men and women on Sri Lanka's leading e-commerce marketplace.

The collection, comprising unique designs of men's gym t-shirts and armcuts as well as ladies' gym crop tops, was launched in an evening of glamour and excitement recently at Hilton Colombo.

Speaking about the partnership, Daraz Sri Lanka Managing Director Rakhil Fernando shared: "We are pleased to welcome the athleisure clothing line IZY by one of Sri Lanka's renowned, all-rounder cricketers, Isuru Udana. As the premium brand channel of Daraz, Daraz Mall offers our loyal customers the best products. With our partnership with IZY, we have broadened our product offering and choices for customers.

Made with high-quality fabric and attention to detail, IZY clothing resonates with Daraz's purpose of uplifting and contributing to society, with a portion of all sales proceeds donated to the Little Hearts national fundraising project to build a Cardiac and Critical Care Complex at Lady Ridgeway Children's Hospital.

IZY Founder and cricketer Isuru Udana noted:



Isuru Udana and Angelo Mathews holding a 'Izy' product (T-shirt) at the launching ceremony.

"IZY is an athleisure clothing brand born out of a passion to bring something unique and purposeful to people. This brand stands for encouraging everyone to lead an active, happy life, taking a break from the fast-paced world that often pushes these very foundational elements of life out of the priority list. We are delighted to partner with Daraz as our brands share that vision to give back to society as well while grow-

England U-19 put pressure on with early wickets

Sri Lanka under-19 chasing a winning target of 273 were 100 for 5 wickets in 31 overs at the final day of the four day game against England played at Chelmsford England yesterday. England under 19 team 387 and 292 all out while Sri Lanka Under 19 were 407 all out and had a victory target of

England undrer 19 team: 387 all out and 292 all out (Ben MacKinney 56, Ross Withfield 110, Mathew Hurst 39, Wanuja Sahan 4/89, Duvindu Ranathunga 3/34, Raveen de

Sri Lanka under 19 team: 407 all out 100 for 5 wickets in 31 overs (Asitha Wanninyake 22, Raveen de Silva 22, Ranuda Somaratne 36 *) (D.R)

Outstanding Man Utd claim first win under Ten Hag

outstanding display to defeat Liverpool and give manager Erik ten Hag his first Premier League victory at a thunderous Old Trafford.

Ten Hag took the bold decision to drop captain Harry Maguire and Cristiano Ronaldo and was rewarded with a performance that lifted the mood of crisis around Manchester United and leave Liverpool still searching for a first win of the season.

Jadon Sancho showed superb control and composure to deservedly put United in front after 16 minutes before Marcus Rashford raced clear to beat Alisson from substitute Anthony Martial's pass eight minutes after the

Mo Salah set up a tense finish when he scrambled in a header with nine minutes left but United survived to give Ten Hag just the sort of triumph he needs to make his mark at Old Traf-

Manchester United were at their lowest ebb after a 4-0 humiliation at Brentford followed an opening day

home defeat by Brighton. And while thousands protested against the ownership of the Glazers before kick-off and the chants continued throughout the game, United's fans rallied behind a performance of

Manchester United produced an left Liverpool bullied for long periods. New £60m signing Casemiro was paraded in front of the Stretford End before kick-off and how he must have relished the magnificent atmosphere inside Old Trafford as United turned the misery of their abject first two league performances on its head.

> Liverpool won 5-0 here last season and 4-0 at Anfield but United mustered more energy and aggression in the first 10 minutes here than in both of those embarrassing performances. Ten Hag employed pace to take

> advantage of Liverpool's high defensive line and they should have been ahead even before Sancho opened the scoring, Anthony Elanga hitting the post after racing clear.

United contested every challenge with a fired up Lisandro Martinez setting the tone early on with a robust challenge on Mohamed Salah. Rashford's form has been indifferent

in recent times but his confidence will surely soar after the composed manner in which he scored what eventually proved to be the winner.

And this was a landmark night for Ten Hag, who knew his decision to leave out Maguire and Ronaldo would have brought scrutiny had United lost. Instead, he enjoyed the sort of night that he will hope gets his Old Trafford fierce intensity and commitment that reign up and running. - BBC

Boli Lions team limited over cricket champs



The champion Boli Lions team with the trophy.

Text and Pictures by: I.L.M.RIZAN, Addalaichenai Central Cori

Boli Lions team, Sainthamaruthu beat Maliga United team, Sainthamaruthu by 10 runs in the final to emerge champions and bagged the "FSK Miandad Premier League -2022 Season-II" champion trophy in the limited over hardball cricket tournament conducted by Miandad Sports Club, Sainthamaruthu at the Sainthamaruthu Public Play Grounds recently.

This inter club tournament was organized by the Miandad Sports Club president A. Faiz to popularize hardball cricket among the clubs. The FSK Miandad Premier League Tournament President A.A.Haleem

presided over the tournament while Shantham Challengers, Maruthoor Warriors, Maliga United and Boli Lions teams from the Sainthamaruthu area participated. Boli Lions team batting first scored 75 runs for the loss of two wickets in their allocated 08 overs. Maliga United team in reply scored 65 runs for loss of three wickets in their allocated 8 over's.

N.L.M.Zahir who represented the Boli Lions Team was adjudged the Man of the Match and Man of the Series award was secured by S.L.Manas of Maruthoor Warriors Team. The Best Batsman award was won by A.H.M.Murshid of Shantham Challeng-

Tomato Fever is misleading name for Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease, say doctors

INDIA: Tomato fever is not a scientific name. It has been loosely used to describe a common mild viral illness called Hand Foot and Mouth disease, as per the experts. "Unfortunately, a recent publication in The Lancet claims that the lesions gradually enlarge to the size of a tomato, which is completely wrong, misleading and alarming," experts said.

According to Dr. Rajeev Jayadevan, a member of IMA in Kochi, "The illness is commonly caused by the Coxsackie virus which results in small 4-6 mm red spots on the skin that later become bubbles with fluid inside. The skin lesions can appear on the hands, feet and buttocks. It spreads by contact between young children and is self-limiting, requiring only supportive treatment. It has no connection with tomatoes."

In the past few days, some reports have emerged from Kerala regarding a new endemic disease, by the name, tomato fever. "The community is just recovering from Covid and is therefore very sensitive and receptive to new endemics. Also, this type of news creates panic," Dr. Dhiren Gupta, paediatric intensivist, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, said.

"It looks like it's a form of HFMD with additional symptoms of joint pains and high-grade fever. Anyway, HFMD itself is a syndrome which can be caused by different enteroviruses. Symptoms vary from type of virus, age group and immunity status of the patient. In general, it's not life-threatening in the general population," Dhiren Gupta said.

The fever can also cause rashes to appear on hands, feet and buttocks and can also cause ulcers in the mouth.

A *Lancet* study revealed on Saturday that India has recorded as many as 82 cases of every time you touch these blisters tomato flu or tomato fever since the virus was first reported in Kerala on May 6.

According to the study, the common infectious disease targeting mostly children aged one to five years and immunocompromised adults could also be a new variant

of Hand, Foot and Mouth disease. Tomato flu and the treatment is similar to other viral infections such as the flu. Recent reports have suggested that the virus is related to Coxsackie A 17, which belongs to the group of enteroviruses, the advisory read.

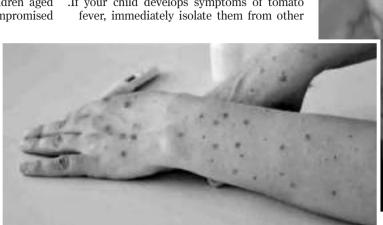
"Isolation should be followed for 57 days from onset of any symptom to prevent the spread of infection to other children or adults," the advisory read.

The Centre also suggested prevention measures to curb the spread of the infection among children. They are:

- Avoid immediate contact with the infected
- Educate your child about the signs and symptoms and its side effects
- Tell your child not to hug or touch children
- having fever or rash symptoms • You should encourage your children about hygiene maintenance and stopping thumb
- or finger sucking habits • Encourage the child to use a handkerchief in case of running nose or coughing to avoid the spread of the disease

Try to keep your child hydrated by motivating them to drink plenty of water, milk, or juice, whatever they prefer

.If your child develops symptoms of tomato



children to inhibit disease progression.

• Take a nutrition-rich, balanced diet to boost

• It is essential to get enough rest and sleep

la's Kollam district on May 6, 2022. The flu

The tomato flu was first identified in Kera-

The advisory has been issued to the states

A recent study by the Lancet Respiratory

sanitized regularly.

to promote healing

bathing the child

immunity

This viral illness has led to an alert in the neighbouring states of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

• All utensils, clothes, and other utility items The Regional Medical Research Centre in (for e.g. bedding) should be separated and Bhubaneswar reported that additionally 26 children (aged 1-9 years) have been reported Always use warm water to clean skin or for as having the disease in Odisha.

The Health Ministry advisory noted: "The name Tomato Flu comes from the main symptom of this disease, i.e, tomato-shaped blisters on several body parts. The blisters start as red-coloured small blisters and resemble tomatoes when they enlarge.'

"Primary symptoms observed in children with Tomato Flu are similar to those of other viral infections, which include fever, rashes and pain in joints. Rashes on skin can also lead to skin irritation," it added.

Symptoms of this disease include mild fever, loss of appetite, malaise and often a sore throat. These are the symptoms experienced in the beginning.

The report mentioned that one or two days after the fever begins, small red spots appear which change to blisters and then to ulcers. The sores are usually located on the tongue, gums, inside of the cheeks, palms and soles.

Tomato flu is a self-limiting infectious dis-

ease as the signs and symptoms resolve after a few days, the ministry said.

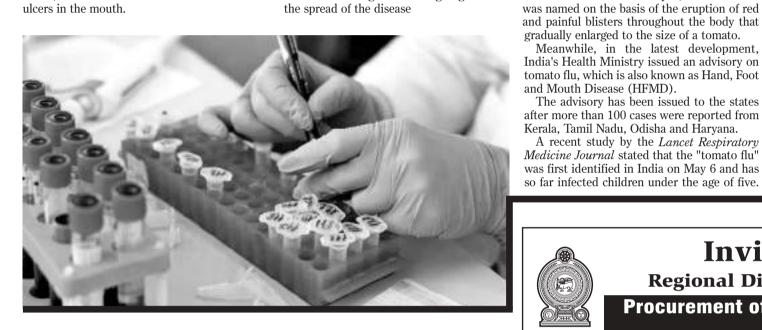
It also mentioned that the disease appears to be a clinical variant of the socalled HFMD that is common in schoolgoing children.

The ministry said: "Infants and young children are also prone to this infection through use of nappies, touching unclean surfaces as well as putting things directly into the mouth. HFMD occurs mainly in children under 10 years of age, but it can occur in adults too.'

The health ministry's statement said that the best way to prevent this disease is by maintaining proper hygiene and sanitisation of the surrounding environment as well as preventing the infected child from sharing toys, clothes, food, or other items with other non-infected children.

The Lancet study mentioned that the rare viral infection is in an "endemic state" and is considered non-life-threatening. But, it added that there's a need to prevent further outbreaks because of the dreadful experience of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- INDIA TODAY



Invitation for Sealed Quotations SUPPLY & DELIVERY OF MICRO BIOLOGY MEDIA FOR LABORATORY



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ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY
Potato Dextrose Agar -500 gm	03 Bottles
Tributyrin Agar 100 ml	525 Bottles
MacConkey Broth (Purple 500 gm)	20 Bottles
Brilliant Green Bile (2%) Broth - 500 gm	03 Bottles
Milk Agar - 500 gm	08 Bottles
Peptone Water - 500 gm	01 Bottle
Agar Bacteriological Powder - 500gm	04 Bottles
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Invitation for Bids - 2022

Regional Directorate of Health Services, Mannar

Procurement of Medical Equipment, Furniture, Electrical Equipment & Civil Works



The Chairman. Regional Procurement Committee (RPC) on behalf of the Regional Directorate of Health Services now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the works described in the table below:

I) Medical Equipment II) Furniture III) Building Works IV) Electrical Equipment 2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding procedure.

3. To qualify for award of the Contract, bidders shall meet the minimum qualifying criteria given in Section 2 - Bidding Data.

- 4. To be eligible for contract award, the successful bidder shall not have been blacklisted and as per the Public Finance Circular No-04/2016(1) dated 30th September 2016. This IFB is limited for bidders who should have valid CIDA registration as mentioned below in the table and possess valid business or company registration within Northern Province for Civil works.
- Qualification requirements are indicated in Section 4 of the bidding document. Additional details are provided in the Schedule/Bidding Data & Contract Data (Section 5) for Civil work.
- 6. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Regional Directorate of Health Services, Mannar (023 222 3114) and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below during office hours.
- Bid documents will be issued from 25.08.2022 till 16.09.2022 between 09.00 AM and 02.00 PM on working days, upon payment of a non-refundable fee for each document on submission of a approved copy of Business Registration request made on their letterhead and
- Bids should be handed over to the below address or deposited in the tender box available at Accountant's Room on or before the closing time of bids: 14.30 hrs on 16th September 2022. Bids will be opened immediately after the closing of bids in the presence of bidders or their
- Procurement Committee will have the right to make final decision with regards to acceptance or rejection of bids.
- 10. Pre bid meeting will be held on 01/09/2022 at 14.30 hrs at Conference Hall, RDHS Office, Mannar.

Bid. No.	Description of Works	Qty	Non- Refundable Fee (Rs.)	Bid Bond (Rs.)	Bid Se Vali up	dity	Required delivery Period	
	Fund - PSSP/PS	SDG/ - Furni	ture, E.E, Med	lical Equipm	ent			
RDHS/Mn/PSDG/ PSSP/ME/2022/108	Slit Lamp	1	2,000.00	20,000.00	17/12	/2022	04 - 06 Weeks	
RDHS/Mn/PSDG/ PSSP/ME/2022/109	Complete set of Dental chair with in-built light cure machine	2	2,000.00	30,000.00	17/12	/2022	04 - 06 Weeks	
RDHS/Mn/PSDG/	Air Conditioner 24000 BTU/ Inventer	2	2 000 00	0.000.00	15/12	/2022	04 - 06	
E.E/2022/110	Air Conditioner 12000 BTU/ Inventer	1	2,000.00	9,000.00	17/12	/2022	Weeks	
	Office Table	7						
	Revolving Chair	7						
RDHS/Mn/PSDG/	Office Low Back Chair (Visitors Chair)	5	2,000.00	2,000.00	.00 15,000.00	17/12/2022	04 - 06	
Fur/2022/111	Computer Table	2					/2022	Weeks
	Executive High Back Chair	2						
	Combined Chair (airport - steel less (4 seats)	3						
		Estimated		Required	Non	Bid	Bid Bond	
Bid No.	Description of Works	Cost/ Million (Rs.)	Contract Period	Grade	Refundable Fees (Rs.)	Security Amount (Rs.)	Security Period up to	
	Civil Works	Fund - Speci	al Recurrent	Project /PSSI	•			
RDHS/Mn/S.R.P/ Works/ 2022/112	Landscaping Works at MOH Musali - Mannar	1.186	60 Days	C8 & C9	2,000.00	12,000.00	17/12/2022	
RDHS/Mn/S.R.P/ Works/ 2022/113	Extension of roof work with floor concrete to ambulance garage at PMCU - Vellankulam - Mannar.	0.217	45 Days	C8 & C9	1,000.00	2,500.00	17/12/2022	
RDHS/Mn/PSSP/ Works/ 2022/114	Renovation of the Wards at DH - Adampan - Mannar.	0.875	60 Days	C8 & C9	1,500.00	9,000.00	17/12/2022	
RDHS/Mn/S.R.P/ Works/ 2022/115	Renovation of Ambulance driver's quarters and garage at DH Erukkalampitty - Mannar.	1.059	60 Days	C8 & C9	2,000.00	11,000.00	17/12/2022	
RDHS/Mn/PSSP/ Works/ 2022/116	Construction of 40'0x25'0 at Respository Building Stage - II at RDHS - Mannar.	1.753	75 Days	C8 & C9	2,000.00	18,000.00	17/12/2022	

Dr. D. Venoden Chairman, **Regional Procurement Committee,** Regional Director of Health Services, Mannar.

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SHARES - COLOMBO STOCK EXCHANGE

SHARES -	COLC)MBO	STO	CK	EXC		ket Statist
Security	Volume	**V.W.A. Previous Close	Open	High	Low	**V.W.A. Yesterday's	Change (Rs.)
Main Board		Close				Close	
A.SPEN.HOT.HOLD.	126,578	50.90	50.90	50.90	47.00	49.80	(1.10)
ABANS	98	168.00	169.00	169.00	166.00	168.00	
ACCESS ENG SL 57,435 ACL PLASTICS XD	98,125 69.30 607	12.60 70.50 450.25	12.90 71.00 450.00	13.00 66.10 459.75	12.50 68.90 445.50	12.80 ((0.40) 446.50	0.20 ACL (3.75)
ACME	1,764,933	6.00	6.10	6.50	6.00	6.20	0.20
AGALAWATTE	749,666	44.10	45.00	46.80	43.80	44.70	0.60
AHOT PROPERTIES	852	40.00	39.50	39.50	37.50	37.50	(2.50)
AITKEN SPENCE	8,076	125.00	127.00	127.00	122.00	123.00	(2.00)
ALLIANCE	24,390	76.50	76.50	79.00	74.00	75.60	(0.90)
AMANA BANK	93,671	2.80	2.80	2.90	2.70	2.70	(0.10)
ASIA ASSET	13	6.00	6.20	6.20	5.90	6.00	0.00
ASIA CAPITAL	14,763	5.10	5.00	5.20	5.00	5.10	0.00
ASIRI	11,820	29.10	29.30	30.00	29.00	29.10	0.00
ASIRI SURG	28,493	14.60	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.10	(0.50)
AUTODROME	501	104.75	107.00	107.00	95.00	95.20	(9.55)
BAIRAHA FARMS	4,363	179.25	178.25	182.75	175.00	178.50	(0.75)
BALANGODA BUKIT DARAH	4,363 496,526 692	179.25 100.00 309.00	109.75 305.00	117.50 305.00	103.00	178.50 114.25 305.00	(0.75) 14.25 (4.00)
M HOLDINGS	27	74.20	74.90	74.90	67.00	74.20	0.00
CT HOLDINGS	2	155.50	157.00	157.00	157.00	155.50	0.00
CARGILLS	2,685	170.75	180.00	180.00	175.00	180.00	9.25
CARSONS	861	305.50	301.75	301.75	295.00	295.00	(10.50)
CDB	16,140	183.75	179.50	209.75	179.50	180.00	(3.75)
CDB (CDB.X0000)	6,336	62.50	62.50	62.70	62.30	62.50	0.00
CENTRAL FINANCE	3,104	66.40	65.10	67.00	65.10	66.50	
CENTRAL IND. CEYLINGO INS.	66,931 2 2	65.70 2,003.00	68.50 2,090.00	69.70 2,090.00	65.00 2,090.00	67.30 2,003.00	1.60 0.00
CEYLON GUARDIAN CEYLON INV. CEYLON TOBACCO XD	14,198 9,182	60.50 28.90 619.75	63.90 28.60 620.00	63.90 28.60 622.50	63.60 27.70 601.00	60.50 27.80 619.75	0.00 (1.10) 0.00
CHEMANEX	7,139	83.40	86.90	86.90	79.00	79.80	(3.60)
CHEVRON	89,204	94.70	95.00	95.00	93.50	93.60	
CIC	383,690	68.20	67.00	68.00	66.00	66.60	(1.60)
CIC (CIC.X0000)	302,588	47.50	47.50	47.50	45.00	45.80	(1.70)
CITRUS LEISURE	11,178	7.10	6.90	7.10	6.80	6.90	(0.20)
COLD STORES	37,951	33.40	33.00	33.50	32.00	33.10	(0.30)
COLOMBO LAND	39,907	21.30	21.10	22.00	20.20	21.80	0.50
COMMERCIAL BANK	22,547	52.50	52.50	53.00	52.00	52.10	(0.40)
COMMERCIAL BANK (CON		40.10	40.50	40.70	39.70	40.00	(0.10)
CONVENIENCE FOOD	23	1,176.25	1,025.50	1,192.75	1,025.50	1,176.25	0.00
DANKOTUWA PORCEL	189,089	14.40	14.40	16.00	14.40	15.50	1.10
DFCC BANK PLC DIALOG DIMO	705 235,736 459	34.60 8.50 460.00	34.70 8.50 460.00	34.70 8.50	34.50 8.40 448.00	34.70 8.50	0.10 0.00 (4.25)
DIPPED PRODUCTS DOCKYARD	235,709 449	42.30 62.40	42.00 63.90	469.00 42.00 64.00	40.10 63.90	455.75 41.00 63.90	(1.30) 1.50
OOLPHIN HOTELS	227,293	26.10	27.90	30.00	25.00	25.20	(0.90)
DURDANS		130.25	130.25	135.50	130.00	130.25	0.00
E B CREASY	38,404	18.60	20.00	20.00	18.00	18.20	(0.40)
EASTERN MERCHANT	188,076	8.90	9.00	9.00	8.40	8.60	(0.30)
EX-PACK	308,901	15.80	15.80	16.00	15.40	15.40	(0.40)
EXPOLANKA	1,244,603	229.00	225.50	227.25	219.00	220.75	(8.25)
FORT LAND	556,358	16.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.60	(0.40)
BALLE FACE CAP	11,401	17.40	17.40	17.40	16.60	17.20	(0.20)
BESTETNER	400	49.80	51.90	51.90	49.20	50.70	0.90
GRAIN ELEVATORS	11,276	77.20	77.20	78.80	75.00	78.00	0.80
HAYCARB	38,871	74.10	75.00	75.00	71.20	73.00	(1.10)
HAYLEYS	218,486	108.50	109.00	109.00	104.75	105.75	(2.75)
HAYLEYS FABRIC	503,978	39.30	39.30	39.40	37.90	38.10	(1.20)
HAYLEYS FIBRE	64,078	76.70	76.70	76.70	70.70	71.80	(4.90)
HAYLEYS LEISURE	58,636	20.60	22.00	22.00	19.30	19.90	(0.70)
HELA	178,987	12.70	13.00	13.00	12.60	12.70	0.00
HEMAS HOLDINGS	117,115	51.70	52.00	52.50	50.60	51.50	(0.20)
HNB	12,471	81.30	83.40	83.40	80.00	82.60	1.30
HNB ASSURANCE	52,379	39.80	40.00	40.80	39.00	40.00	0.20
INB (HNB.X0000) HORANA	32,379 3,762 1,931,630	74.00 50.20	74.00 53.00	74.00 59.00	73.00 52.10	73.10 57.50	(0.90) 7.30
HOTEL SIGIRIYA	118,386	47.30	49.40	49.50	42.50	43.10	(4.20)
HOTELS CORP.	114,052	14.80	15.20	15.20	13.80	13.90	(0.90)
HUNTERS	4	695.25	695.25	695.25	695.25	695.25	0.00
NDUSTRIAL ASPH.	1,190,343	0.40	0.30	0.40	0.30	0.40	0.00
IAT HOLDINGS	226,637	12.20	12.20	12.40	11.90	12.00	(0.20)
KH	1,320,453	125.00	125.00	125.00	123.50	124.75	(0.25)
KANDY HOTELS	15,177	8.40	8.30	8.30	8.10	8.30	(0.10)
KAPRUKA	65,163	10.50	10.50	11.30	10.00	10.70	0.20
KEGALLE	6,657	199.50	200.00	200.00	192.00	198.75	(0.75)
ELANI CABLES XD	41,837	261.00	269.75	269.75	251.50	258.75	(2.25)
ELANI TYRES	39,539	60.50	60.00	60.00	57.10	58.00	(2.50)
ELANI VALLEY	362,462	102.50	103.00	107.00	100.00	104.75	2.25
(INGSBURY	43,193	9.50	9.50	9.60	9.10	9.20	(0.30)
(OTAGALA	20,086,444	8.70	9.00		8.70	9.50	0.80
. O L C HOLDINGS	97,562	603.75	610.00	610.00	585.00	589.25	(14.50)
.AKE HOUSE PRIN.	1	220.00	219.00	219.00	219.00	220.00	0.00
ANKA ALUMINIUM	1,078,148	16.70	17.40	20.90	16.30	20.10	3.40
ANKA HOSPITALS	61,415	58.50	59.50	59.50	58.00	59.00	0.50
ANKA IOC XD	2,407,826	179.50	180.00	183.00	176.25	179.50	0.00
ANKA REALTY	5,204	16.10	16.20	16.20	15.50	15.50	(0.60)
ANKA TILES	100,581	51.40	52.00	52.00	49.10	50.10	
ANKA VENTURES	468	44.70	44.00	44.90	44.00	44.90	0.20
ANKA WALLTILE	144,095	64.40	66.00	66.90	61.30	64.70	0.30
ANKEM DEV.	2,191,828	25.90	26.00	26.50	24.80	25.90	0.00
AUGFS GAS	266	19.60	20.00	20.00	19.80	19.80	0.20
AUGFS GAS (LGL.X0000)) 6,535	12.50	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.90	(0.60)
AXAPANA	28,780	18.90	18.90	19.00	17.00	18.00	(0.90)
B FINANCE	78,969	42.20	42.50	44.00	42.10	42.90	0.70
EE HEDGES	4	71.30	77.50	77.50	77.50	71.30	0.00
ION BREWERY	2	527.00	527.00	527.00	527.00	527.00	
MF XD	47,871	147.00	150.00	159.50	148.00	153.25	6.25
VL ENERGY	180,435	7.50	7.90	7.90	7.30	7.40	(0.10)
MALWATTE	15,529	63.00	77.90	77.90	66.00	70.50	7.50
MALWATTE (MAL.X0000)	8,467	41.40	42.00	43.40	42.00	43.30	1.90
MELSTACORP	136,938	50.00	49.90	50.00	49.00	49.70	(0.30)
MERC. SHIPPING	44	207.75	205.00	205.00	204.75	207.75	0.00
MERCHANT BANK	47,980	3.80	3.80	3.90	3.70	3.80	
/IULLERS	16,208	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.20	1.20	(0.10)
NAMUNUKULA	4,687	441.75	440.00	457.25	410.00	446.00	4.25
NAT. DEV. BANK	4,954	35.70	35.70	36.00	35.60	35.90	0.20
NATIONS TRUST	1,355	34.50	35.60	35.60	35.40	35.40	0.90
NAWALOKA	82,408	6.00	6.40	6.40	5.80	6.00	0.00
OVERSEAS REALTY	66,154	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.40	15.70	(0.30)
PAN ASIA	43,787	9.10	9.10	9.10	8.90	8.90	(0.20)
PANASIAN POWER	161,418	3.90	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	(0.10)
PEOPLE'S INS	19,906	19.80	20.70	20.70	20.00	20.10	0.30
PEOPLES LEASING	270,725	6.60	6.60	6.70	6.50	6.50	(0.10)
PGP GLASS	142,408	13.70	14.20	14.20	13.50	13.50	(0.20)
PRINTCARE PLC	321,933	61.70	61.50	65.00	58.50	63.40	1.70
R I L PROPERTY	1,866,342	8.50	8.90	8.90	8.30	8.40	(0.10)
REGNIS	5,813	47.40	50.00	52.00	48.60	50.60	3.20
RENUKA AGRI	2,577,440	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.60	7.80	(0.30)
RENUKA CITY HOT. XD	1,513	365.50	365.50	366.00	356.25	357.50	(8.00)
RENUKA FOODS	56,718	23.50	24.10	24.50	23.10	23.90	0.40
RENUKA FOODS (COCO.X		16.10	16.10	16.30	16.10	16.30	0.20
RENUKA HOLDINGS		14.60	14.70	14.80	14.70	14.80	0.20
RENUKA HOLDINGS (RHL	X0000) 7,322	11.80	12.60	12.60	11.80	11.80	0.00
RESUS ENERGY	83,045	15.70	15.80	16.00	15.30	15.80	0.10
RICHARD PIERIS	563,152	21.00	21.00	22.50	20.50	21.70	0.70
ROYAL CERAMIC	493,067	33.10	33.50	34.10	32.50	32.90	(0.20)
S M B LEASING	7,145,600	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.70	0.70	0.00
S M B LEASING (SEMB.XO		0.20	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.30	0.10
SAMPATH		32.40	32.20	32.40	31.60	31.90	(0.50)
SAMSON INTERNAT.	937	211.25	213.00	219.00	210.00	213.50	2.25
SANASA DEV. BANK	6,107	22.00	22.50	23.00	22.50	23.00	1.00
SARVODAYA DEVFIN	13,412	11.40	10.90	11.10	10.90	11.10	(0.30)
SEYLAN BANK	746	29.30	29.10	29.90	29.10	29.40	0.10
SEYLAN BANK (SEYB.X00	000) 14,117	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.80	15.80	(0.20)
BEYLAN DEVTS	116,031	15.30	15.50	15.50	14.00	14.40	(0.90)
BHAW WALLACE	166,057	7.90	7.60	7.90	7.60	7.70	(0.20)
SIERRA CABL	21,175	10.00	10.00	10.40	10.00	10.10	0.10
SIGIRIYA VILLAGE	781	55.00	54.00	54.00	48.10	48.20	(6.80)
SINGER FINANCE SUNSHINE HOLDING SWISSTEK	71,561 188,659 1 139 421	10.60 41.10	10.70 42.50 15.90	10.70 44.90	10.50 40.50	10.50 41.00	(0.10) (0.10)
SWISSTEK	1,139,421	16.20	15.90	18.50	15.90	17.50	1.30
FALAWAKELLE	37,691	87.70	89.00	89.00	84.00	85.30	(2.40)
FANGERINE	632	61.30	58.50	62.90	58.00	58.50	(2.80)
EA SMALLHOLDER EEJAY LANKA XD	18,626 168,709	51.00 43.00	58.50 50.70 43.50	53.00 43.50	49.90 42.50	50.70 42.70	(0.30) (0.30)
HREE ACRE FARMS	785	151.25	153.00	153.00	152.00	152.50	1.25
OKYO CEMENT	40,276	31.90	31.50	31.80	30.90	31.00	(0.90)
TOKYO CEMENT (TKYO.XI JNION BANK JNISYST	539,446	25.20 6.80 6.00	25.00 6.80	25.00 7.00	23.80 6.70 5.80	24.00 6.80 7.30	(1.20) 0.00 1.30
JNISYST	840,520	6.00	6.20	7.50	5.80	7.30	1.30
JNITED MOTORS	10	50.00	53.50	54.50	53.50	50.00	0.00
/ALLIBEL	124,380	6.80	6.90	7.00	6.80	6.90	0.10
/ALLIBEL FINANCE	151,985	24.20	24.50	24.50	23.20	23.50	(0.70)
/IDULLANKA	7,542	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.70	6.70	(0.10)
VIDULLANKA (VLL-X-0000) WATAWALA WINDEORCE	69,089	4.80 82.70	4.60 84.50	4.80 84.50	4.10 81.90	4.60 82.30	(0.20) (0.40)
WINDFORCE	55,221	16.00	16.10	16.70	16.00	16.00	0.00
YORK ARCADE	355	141.50	141.00	141.00	126.50	128.75	(12.75)
SENID BIZ	171,785	20.00	20.40	20.70	20.00	20.30	0.30
		_0.00	20.40	20.70		20.00	0.00

on 24.08.2022							
Security	Volume	**V.W.A. Previous	Open	High	Low	**V.W.A. Yesterday's	Change (Rs.)
		Close				Close	
SECOND BOARD							
ABANS FINANCIAL	100 337,071	21.20	23.80	23.80	23.80	23.80	2.60
BROWNS BEACH	5,951	10.80 12.00	10.80 12.00	11.00 12.00	10.40 10.80	10.70 11.10	(0.10) (0.90)
DIALOG FINANCE	9	74.70	67.00	67.00	67.00	74.70	0.00
DISTILLERIES XD	46,413	14.30	15.20	15.20	14.40	14.80	0.50
KOTMALE HOLDINGS	26	401.25	401.50	401.50	400.00	401.25	0.00
LOLC DEV FINANCE	9,873	202.75	208.00	208.00	190.00	197.50	(5.25)
MADULSIMA	509,276	19.30	19.70	19.90	18.60	19.20	(0.10)
ODEL PLC	3,800	18.30	18.60	19.10	18.00	18.00	
ORIENT FINANCE SELINSING	3,771	8.10 557.50	8.30 601.25	8.30 601.25	7.90 601.25	7.90 557.50	(0.20)
SINGER SRI LANKA	740,671	9.40	9.50	10.80	9.50	9.80	0.40
SLT	95,127	52.30	50.00	51.90	48.70	50.20	(2.10)
TRANS ASIA	570	50.40	50.10	50.10	49.00	49.10	(1.30)
EMPOWER BOARD							
CHRISSWORLD	16,990	14.60	14.60	14.90	14.60	14.70	0.10
EML CONSULTANTS	836,865	5.10	5.40	5.40	5.10	5.10	0.00
EXTERMINATORS	55,932	6.80	6.60	6.90	6.20	6.40	
DIRI SAVI BOARD							
	0.750.076				40.70	44.20	0.00
AGSTAR PLC	2,759,876	14.10	14.40	14.70	13.70	14.30	0.20
ALUMEX PLC	1,477,519	7.50	7.80	8.70	7.50	8.30	0.80
AMANA LIFE	805	30.10	27.40	32.00	27.40	28.00	(2.10)
AMANA TAKAFUL	4,252	9.40	9.50	9.50	9.10	9.20	(0.20)
AMBEON HOLDINGS	913	39.70	39.00	40.00	39.00	39.90	0.20
AMF CO LTD	5,307	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.20	9.30	(0.30)
ARPICO INSURANCE	58	16.40	18.70	18.70	16.60	16.40	0.00
ASIA SIYAKA	16,775,498	3.80	3.80	4.20	3.80	4.10	
BANSEI RESORTS BERUWALA RESORTS	5,281 136,881	11.50 1.30	11.40 1.30	11.40	9.70 1.20	11.10 1.30	(0.40)
BOGALA GRAPHITE	396,613	69.30	72.00	84.00	67.30	79.90	10.60
BOGAWANTALAWA	328,878	59.90	59.00	69.00	57.00	63.70	3.80
BPPL HOLDINGS	236,357	28.90	28.70	28.90	27.60	28.00	
BROWNS	54,976	168.75	168.00	168.00	163.00	165.50	(3.25)
BROWNS INVSTMNTS	8,902,891	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.80	8.00	(0.10)
C T LAND	601	25.20	27.90	27.90	26.90	27.00	1.80
C.W.MACKIE	17,126	70.90	70.00	71.00	69.90	70.00	
CALT	67,377	13.20	13.40	13.50	13.10	13.20	0.00
CEYLON TEA BRKRS	4,224,570	4.60	4.60	5.70	4.50	5.50	
CFI	2,555	49.40	54.00	54.00	52.00	52.10	2.70
CITRUS HIKKADUWA	37,072	5.50	5.70	5.70	5.40	5.50	0.00
CITRUS WASKADUWA	292,386	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.80	2.80	(0.10)
COM.CREDIT	72,668	31.20	31.00	31.50	30.00	30.30	(0.90)
COMMERCIAL DEV.	429	95.00	95.00	96.00	93.00	93.80	(1.20)
COOP INSURANCE XD	329,394	3.30	3.30	3.40	3.20	3.30	0.00
DILMAH CEYLON	78	1,488.50	1,402.00	1,402.00	1,401.00	1,488.50	
E - CHANNELLING	51,990	12.00	11.30	11.40	10.50	10.70	(1.30)
EDEN HOTEL LANKA	234,121	20.00	20.00	20.10	19.00	19.20	(0.80)
ELPITIYA FC TREASURIES	60,348 215,190	94.40 14.30	97.00 14.30	98.00 14.30	90.20	91.40 14.10	(3.00)
FIRST CAPITAL	19,518	11.00	11.10	11.40	11.00	11.30	0.30
FORTRESS RESORTS	44,341	18.20	18.50	18.50	17.70	18.00	(0.20)
GALADARI	196,593	14.90	15.50	15.50	14.00	14.10	(0.80)
HAPUGASTENNE	25,621	57.10	59.40	61.80	57.00	58.80	1.70
HATTON	213,314	30.60	30.90	33.00	29.00		0.30
HNB FINANCE	364,316	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.00	6.00	(0.30)
HNB FINANCE (HNBF-X-000	00) 59,982	6.80	6.10	6.10	5.90	6.00	(0.80)
HVA FOODS	65,705	4.50	4.50	4.60	4.40	4.50	0.00
JANASHAKTHI INS.	601	21.00	21.90	21.90	20.70	20.90	
JETWING SYMPHONY JOHN KEELLS	20,645 802	13.60	14.00 63.10	14.00	12.10 63.10	13.90	0.30
KAHAWATTE	3,612,996	66.80 35.00	36.50	63.50 39.90	36.50	63.10 38.80	(3.70) 3.80
KEELLS HOTELS	19,672	15.60	15.60	15.90	15.00	15.20	(0.40)
LANKA CERAMIC	2,371	118.50	117.00	117.00	117.00	117.00	(1.50)
LANKEM CEYLON	29,902	51.60	50.00	54.00	50.00	50.30	(1.30)
LAUGFS POWER	479	9.70	9.90	9.90	9.70	9.70	0.00
LAUGFS POWER (LPL-X-00)	00) 9,005	7.30	7.20	7.20	7.10	7.10	(0.20)
LCB FINANCE PLC	104,421	2.00	2.00	2.10	1.90	2.00	0.00
LIGHTHOUSE HOTEL LOLC FINANCE	800	35.00 7.90	36.90 7.90	37.40 8.10	36.90 7.60	37.00 7.70	2.00
LOLC GENERAL INS	3,475,233 413,667	7.50	7.70	7.70	7.20	7.50	0.00
LOTUS HYDRO	7,715	9.00	9.10	9.30	8.80	8.80	(0.20)
LUMINEX	11,788	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.00	7.10	(0.10)
MACKWOODS ENERGY	4,798	2.50	2.70	2.70	2.50	2.60	0.10
MAHAWELI COCONUT	3,158	38.00	38.20	45.10	38.20	43.50	5.50
MAHAWELI REACH	603	14.30	14.90	14.90	14.50	14.50	0.20
MARAWILA RESORTS	162,086	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.60	2.60	
MASKELIYA	499,513	61.20	60.00	67.40	57.00	64.90	3.70 (0.30)
MILLENNIUM HOUSE	671,630	4.30	4.50	4.90	3.80	4.00	
WILLENNIOW HOUSE WYLAND NESTLE	2,171	12.70	12.60	12.60	12.50 930.00	12.50	(0.20)
NUWARA ELIYA	652	935.25 1,213.50	935.25 1,215.00	949.00 1,215.00	1,215.00	930.00	(5.25) 0.00
PALM GARDEN HOTL	18,070	66.50	73.90	73.90	62.10	64.50	(2.00)
PEGASUS HOTELS	877	29.20	28.00	31.80	27.30	31.30	2.10
PEOPLE'S MERCH	2,600	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.90	4.90	(0.10)
PRIMERESIDENCIES	2,197,042	8.70	8.70	9.00	8.10	8.30	(0.40)
RAIGAM SALTERNS	23,195	6.20	6.40	6.40	6.00	6.10	(0.10)
RAMBODA FALLS	9,929	34.50	34.20	34.20	28.20	28.90	
RENUKA HOTELS XD	12,021	74.50	73.00	78.00	73.00	73.00	(1.50)
RICH PIERIS EXP	2,120	846.25	835.00	850.00	820.00	834.75	(11.50)
ROYAL PALMS	73	25.00	27.90	27.90	23.20	25.00	0.00
SATHOSA MOTORS	18,885	183.25	181.75	181.75	181.75	183.25	0.00
SERENDIB HOTELS		14.00	14.80	14.80	13.10	13.20	(0.80)
SERENDIB HOTELS (SHOT.	45	9.20	9.10	10.00	9.10	10.00	0.80
SERENDIB LAND		1,027.25	1,194.00	1,194.00	1,194.00	1,027.25	0.00
SINGER IND.	2,189	36.10	38.50	39.80	36.00	38.30	2.20
SINGHE HOSPITALS	11,000	2.90	2.60	2.80	2.60	2.60	(0.30)
SOFTLOGIC	587,695	31.20	31.00	31.30	29.00	29.70	(1.50)
SOFTLOGIC CAP	1,014,117	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.80	8.00	
SOFTLOGIC FIN	18,108	14.30	14.50	14.50	11.80	12.70	(0.10)
Softlogic Life	198,722	80.70	81.90	81.90	77.20	78.70	(2.00)
TAL LANKA	18,181	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.10	18.30	(1.70)
UDAPUSSELLAWA	17,608	117.00	120.25	124.75	113.00	119.75	2.75
UNION ASSURANCE	313	26.00	26.00	26.40	26.00	26.40	0.40
VALLIBEL ONE	171,333	47.10	47.10	47.50	45.60	46.00	(1.10)
WATCH LIST							
EAST WEST	32,642	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.30	7.30	(0.30)
HUNAS HOLDINGS	43,046	29.70	29.10	30.90	28.50	29.70	
MULTI FINANCE	43,046 14,426	12.50	12.50	13.10	28.50 12.00	12.50	0.00
NATION LANKA RADIANT GEMS	566,865 500	0.60 20.00	0.60 20.10	0.70 20.10	0.60 20.00	20.00	0.00
SERENDIB ENG.GRP	15,611	5.70	5.80	6.20	5.80	6.00	0.30

COCONUTS

Coconut	Products -	 Prices 	on 24.08.2022	

1. FRESH CO	CONUT		
Market Price (5th Aug. to 1	1th Aug. 2022(Source-HAR	TI)
		Wholesale	Reta
(a)Large Size	Rs/Nut	75.00-80.00	90.00-110.0
Small Size	Rs/Nut	65.00-70.00	70.00-85.0

(b)Coconut Development Authority - Colombo Auction 18/08/2022 (For Average Price65,311.04 T – Offers 1,061,961 - Nuts Trated 589,239 Next Auction on 25/08/2022 10.00 a.m. at Coconut Development Authority (3rd Floor), No. 11, Duke Street, Col-01.

(d)Locally Traded (Farm-gate price) Re 1000 Nuts Rs/Mt (Husked E

	RS. 1000 Nuts	RS/IVIT (HUSKED EX-
Mill)		
Kurunegala Dist.	50,000-58,000	100,000-105,000
Puttalam Dist.	60,000-62,000	104,000-108,000
Gampaha Dist.	55,000-63,000	100,000-110,000
Hambantota Dist.	50,000-52,000	89,000-100,000
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Copra (At Colombo Auction) Quality of Copra Offered Quality of Copra Sold (Kg) (Kg) (Rs.250Kg M.S. No.1 Copra (Top Price)

M.S. No 1 Copra (Single Average Price) (Rs.250Kg)
M.S. No.1 Copra (Mart Price) (Rs.250Kg)
(Rs.250Kg) M.S. No.2 and 3 Copra(Single Average Price)(Rs.250kg)
M.S. No.2 and 3 Copra (Market Price) (Rs.250kg) 2. COPRA - (Locally Traded) 24.08.2022 (Rs./250 Kg)

daily Copra - Edible M.S. No. 1 Copra (Rs./250 Kg) MS No. 2 Copra (Rs./250 Kg) 82.500 3. DESICCATED COCONUT Fine Sri Lanka (Domestic) (Rs/Kg) 490-530 N 4. COCONUT OIL Local Wholesale Price Philippines (CIF-Rott) (Rs/Mt) 600,000-700,000 N (Oil World) (19/08/2022) (Rs/Mt) 490.398 5. POONAC 6. MATTRESS FIBRE (Rs/Mt) 80,000 - 92,000 T (Rs/50kg) (Rs. /50 Kg) (Rs. /50 Kg) 1.000-1.250 T 7. OMAT FIBRE (FAQ) 8. MIX FIBRE 4,000-4,250 7 1,250-1,400 T 9. BRISTLE FIBRE 1 TIE (Rs. /50 Kg) (Rs. /50 Kg) 5.500-6.000 T 10. BRISTLE FIBRE 2 TIE 11. COCONUT HUSKS (15.08.2022) Rs/per 1,000 husks District Puttalam 3.500-5.000 Gampaha

4,000-4,500 Matara 5,000-5,500 Kurunegala 4.000-5.500 Coir Fibre (Moisture is more than 50%) Rs/Kg 7.00 Rs/Kg Rs/Kg 7.50 9.50 10.50 Coir Fibre (Moisture is 40%-50% Coir Fibre (Moisture is 40%-30% Coir Fibre (Moisture is 30%-40% Coir Fibre (Moisture is 20%-30% Rs/Kg Coir Fibre (Moisture is 10%-20% 11.50 Coir Fibre (Moisture is less than 10% 12. COCONUT SHELL (Rs./MT)

33,000-35,000 T 13. COCONUT SHELL CHARCOAL (Rs/MT) (05.08.2022-11.08.2022) Moisture-12%, Dust 3% 14. COCONUT EKELS 145,000 T (Rs/MT) 85,000-95,000 T

T - Traded N - Nominal (Courtesy: Coconut Development Authority)

EXCHANGE RATES

International Operations Department

(1) The average rates of the following currencies quoted by commercial banks in Colombo for Telegraphic Transfers (TT) at 9.30 a.m. are as fol-

	Currency	Buying Rate	Coming Rate
	Australian Dollar	244.8442	256.6355
	Canadian Dollar	273.2326	286.2832
•	Chinese Yuan (Renmink	oi) 51.1959	54.3673
•	Euro	353.6692	368.7722
	Japanese Yen	2.6009	2.7069
	Singapore Dollar	254.5633	265.6022
	Sterling Pound	419.7935	437.0128
	Swiss Franc	367.6208	385.0641
•	US Dollar	357.4017	368.7116
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(2) The approximate exchange rates of GULF Currencies based on previous day's market weighted average rate for the US\$ are as fol-

Country	Currency	Indicative Rate		
Bahrain Kuwait Oman Qatar Saudi Arabia UAE	Bahrain Dinar Kuwait Dinar Oman Rial Qatar Riyal Saudi Arabian Riyal UAE Dirham	957.5216 1,173.0301 937.6502 98.5047 96.1180 98.2821		
(3) The Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) and the Low-				

est Prime Rate (LPR) during the week ended 19-Aug-2022, by all commercial banks was 25.68 percent and 16.00 percent respectively. (4) The Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR) of commercial banks for the month of Jul-2022 was 9.56 percent.

MARKET STATISTICS

EQUITY DETAILS	TODAY	
VALUE OF TURNOVER(RS.)	2,549,373,859.15	4,933,804,616.50
VOLUME OF TURNOVER(NO.)	115,990,347	154,439,763
TRADES(NO.)	31,133	38,606
MARKET CAPITALIZATION(RS.)	3,968,782,358,513.40	4,014,436,789,847.80
GOVT. SECURITIES	TODAY	PRV.DAY
VALUE OF TURNOVER(RS.)		
VOLUME OF TURNOVER(NO.)		
TRADES(NO.)		-
MARKET CAPITALIZATION(RS.)	-	
CORPORATE DEBT	TODAY	
		21-Jan-04
VALUE OF TURNOVER(RS.)	100,741,948.00	1,267,962.10
VOLUME OF TURNOVER(NO.)		1,200,000
TRADES(NO.)	1	3
EQUITY INDICES	TODAY	PRV.DAY
PRICE INDICES CSE ALL SHARE INDEX		
CSE ALL SHARE INDEX	9,011.24	9,071.53
S&P SL 20 INDEX	2,944.50	2,989.78
TOTAL RETURN INDICES		
TRI ON ALL SHARES (ASTRI)	12,105,26	12,186.25

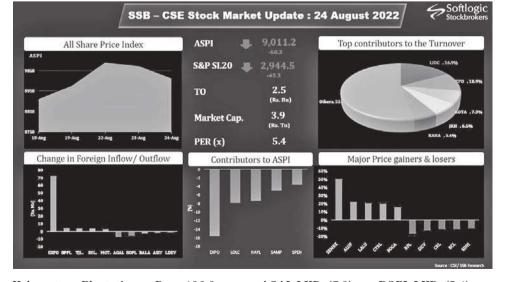
Bourse slips further on speculation of domestic debt restructuring

Colombo bourse witnessed profit taking further yesterday on index heavy counters and most banking sector counters due to a speculation of domestic debt restructuring.

On the other hand, both Central Bank Governor Nandalal Weerasinghe and the co-cabinet spokesperson have said that a local debt restructuring will not take place as it will collapse the already illiquid banking system.

Thus, All-Share Price Index decreased by 60.3 points (-0.7%) to close at 9,011.2 for the day whilst S&P SL20 Index also dropped by 45.3 points (-1.5%) to close at 2,944.5. Expolanka Holdings, LOLC Holdings, Hayleys, Sampath Bank and Aitken Spence remained as the top negative contributors to the ASPI during the day. Further, broader market's total turnover stood at Rs. 2,549.4 mn against the 12-month average daily turnover of Rs. 4,469.7 mn, whilst the volume traded for the day was 115,990.3k against the 12-month average daily volume of 213,744.9k. Diversified Financials and Telecommunications mostly contributed to yesterday's turnover.

The top turnover generators for yesterday were Lanka IOC Rs.430.9 mn (+0.0%), Expolanka Holdings Rs. 227.4 mn (-3.6%), Kotagala Plantations Rs. 187.2 mn (+9.2%), John Keells Holdings Rs. 164.7 mn (-0.2%), and



Kahawatte Plantations Rs. 136.8 mn (+10.9%). Foreigners recorded a net inflow of Rs. 68.9 mn yesterday. Foreign purchases stood at Rs. 94.8 mn whilst total foreign sales amounted to Rs.25.9 mn. Top foreign buying counters EXPO LKR. 72.2 mn, BPPL LKR. 3.9 mn, TJL LKR. 3.6 mn, SHL LKR. 3.6 mn, MGT LKR. 2.3 mn and HOPL LKR. 1.6 mn whilst top foreign selling counters were

AGAL LKR. (7.2) mn, BOPL LKR. (5.4) mn, BALA LKR. (2.4) mn, ASIY LKR. (1.9) mn, LDEV LKR. (1.1) mn and EML LKR. (1.0) mn. Further, off-board transactions were witnessed in John Keells Holdings (Rs.159.2 mn), Kahawatte Plantations (Rs.36.5 mn) and Horana Plantations (Rs.30.5 mn) yester-

Courtesy Solftlogic Stockbrokers

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

- 01. I hereby give notice under Section 04 of the Land Registers Reconstructed Folio Ordinance (Cap. 120) that Land Register Folios, particulars of which appear in Column 1 of the schedule hereto, affecting the land described in Column 2, thereof which have been found to be missing or torn, have been reconstructed in full in provisional folios and relate to the connected deeds, particulars of which are shown in Column 3 of the said schedule.
- 02. The provisional folio will be opened for inspection by any person or persons interested therein at the Office of the Registrar of Lands Mathale, 02.09.2022 to 16.09.2022 between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on all working days.
- 03. 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 23.09.2022. 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
Folio No. 72 of Volume 119 of A Division of the Land Registry Mathale, Mathale District.	All that allotment of land Lot 01 in Plan No. 6228 dated 04.09.2005 made by E.V. Sirisumana, Licensed Surveyor of the land called 'Kabal Kosgahamula Watta' situated at Dodandeniya in the Mathale within the Municipal Pattu Mathale District and Central Province the land bounded on the, North by: The land of Asst. No. 52 belonging to D.M. Rathnaseela Banda East by: Circular Road South by: Road West by: The land of Nandani Manike Extent: A:00 R:00 P:06.05	1) Deed of Transfer No. 12213 written and attested by A.M. Vijethilake, Notary Public on 18.10.2005.
		PSP Abeyyyardhana

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

P.S.P. Abeywardhana **Registrar General**



MINISTRY OF FINANCE EMPLOYEES'TRUST FUND BOARD



SUBMISSION OF FORM II RETURNS (CONTRIBUTION DETAILS) FOR THE 1st HALF OF 2022

Relevant For

Employers who remit contribution using R1 Forms

Due Date

Before 31st August 2022

To Be Submitted

- Accurate and clear duly completed 2022 1st half Form II return
- Summary sheets
 Reconciliation statement

Your Special Attention

The ETF Act No 46 of 1980 as amended by Act No 18 of 1993 Empowers to surcharge at a rate of one percent (1%) of the contribution to which the return relates for every completed month or part thereof from the employers who fail to send the return or who do not send accurate and complete set of Form II returns before the due date.

Address of offices to submit Form II

* Head Office

Manager - Member Accounts - LC Employees'Trust Fund Board P.O. Box 807, 20th Floor, Mehewara Piyasa, Narahenpita, Colombo 05

TP:011-7747216 Fax: 011-2369779

Colombo Fort Office

E.T.F Office No 85, Ceybank, Hemas Building, York Street Colombo 01

TP:011-2321184 Fax: 011-2321184 * Kandy Regional Office - For E.P.F No (D, E, F)

Regional Manager Regional Office - Kandy Employees' Trust Fund Board, No 79, Housing Secretariat, Yatinuwara Street, Kandy

TP:081-2232446 Fax: 081-2233793

* Hambanthota Regional Office - For E.P.F No (G,H,W)

Regional Manager

Regional Office - Hambanthota Employees' Trust Fund Board No 57, Wilmot Street, Hambanthota

TP:047-2222462 Fax: 047-2222460

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EMPLOYEES'TRUST FUND BOARD

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Supply of Janitorial Services to the

Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited

Bid No. LPA/21/2022

Sealed bids are invited from potential service providers for supply of daily Janitorial Services to the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd.

Bid documents can be obtained between 9.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 22 August 2022 up to 02 September 2022 from the Procurement Dept. of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd, on a written request and payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 500/= .

All bidders are required to conduct a site inspection which could be arranged during working days up to 02 September 2022 from 9.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Bids shall include a reference list of similar contracts performed by the bidder in the recent past and all supporting documents to be attached to prove the contracts performed by the bidder.

All bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope marked as "JANITORIAL SERVICES" on the top left-hand corner addressed to Head of Procurement. The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd., No. 35, D.R. Wijewardene Mawatha, Colombo 10 to reach at or before 05 September 2022 at 2.30 p.m.

Bids may be sent by post under registered cover or may be deposited in the Bid Box kept in the Procurement Dept. of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd., Lake House, No. 35, D.R. Wijewardene Mawatha, Colombo 10.

Bids will be opened immediately after closing time of the bids. Bidders or their authorized representatives will be permitted to be present at the time of opening.

However, The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd., reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers without assigning any reason whatsoever.



Head of Procurement THE ASSOCIATED NEWSPAPERS OF CEYLON LTD. No. 35, Lake House, D.R. Wijewardene Mawatha, Colombo 10.

COLOMBO LOTUS TOWER MANAGEMENT COMPANY (PVT.) LTD

For details: 2429422, 2429451

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

Design and Build Projects

We hereby inform you that Major Procurement Committee on behalf Chief Executive Officer, Colombo Lotus Tower Management Company (Pvt) Ltd has invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the above contract.

Contract No.	Name of the Contract	Non Refundable Fee (Rs.)	Bid Security Requirement (Rs.)	Date and Time of Bid Closing / Bid Opening	
CLT/WK/2022/009	Ticketing building	10,000.00	100,000.00	13-09-2022 14,00 Hrs	

- 1. Bids should be submitted on the forms available from 25-08-2022 up to 13-09-2022 @ 14.00 on a payment of non-refundable tender fee.
- The eligible bidders shall comply with the following qualification criteria.
- 3. You may obtain further information from, and inspect and acquire the bidding documents at, Finance Division, Colombo Lotus Tower Management Company (Pvt) Ltd, 320, D.R. Wijewardana Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
- 4. Bidding Documents may be inspected free of charge at Finance Division, Colombo Lotus Tower Management Company (Pvt) Ltd, 320, D.R. Wijewardana Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
- Bids shall be valid up to 90 days.
- Bids must be accompanied by a bid security mentioned above for the contract.
- 7. Sealed bids may be delivered to the Finance Division, Colombo Lotus Tower Management Company (Pvt) Ltd, 320, D.R. Wijewardana Mawatha, Colombo 10, Sri Lanka.
- The construction period is One Month.
- The deadline for submission of bids will be on 13-09-2022 at 14.00 Hrs and will be opened soon after
- 10. Bidders or their authorized representatives are requested to be present at the opening of bids.

DIRECTOR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COLOMBO LOTUS TOWER MANAGEMENT CO. (PVT) LTD. 320, D.R. Wijewardana Mawatha,

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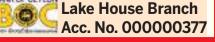


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INVITATION FOR BIDS



Division and Branch Province	Bid No. / Item Description & Quantity MAT	3 Bid Closing Date & Time	Place of Purchase of Bidding Documents & Contact TP. Nos.	5 Price of Bid Document (LKR)	6 Type of Bid ICB/ NCB	
Generation (LPP)	LV/T/2022/0194 Procurement of air operated double diaphragm positive displacement pumps for Lakvijaya Power Plant	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Procurement Division, 4th Floor, Admin Building, Lakvijaya Power Plant, Ceylon Electricity Board, Narakkalliya, Norochcholai 61342. TP: 032 226 8964/77 / 071-5777171 Fax: 032 226 8980	1,000.00	NCB	
Generation (LPP)	LV/T/2022/0208 Procurement of household and kitchen items for proposed LVPP restaurant at Daluwa Housing Complex	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 01 (CC)	DD1/DGM(CC)/CE(M)/ICB/2022/001 Supply & Delivery of Transformer Oil (200L Per Barrel) – 75 Barrels	05/10/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 04.10.2022, 011-2575930.	1,000.00	ICB	
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/2022/169 Supply & Delivery of meter enclosure steel - bulk supply type d - 100 Nos.	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	DGM(WPN)'s Office, CEB, No.280, Kandy Road, Kiribathgoda Tel.011-2911071/72	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 03 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1/RC/2K22/078 Supply & Delivery of 200 Nos. of 8.3m/500kg Reinforced Concrete Poles (CEB Spec:44-1:1996) to Uva Province	14/09/2022 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	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 03 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1/RC/2K22/079 Supply & Delivery of 1000 Nos. of 8.3m/100kg Reinforced Concrete Poles (CEB Spec:044-1:1996) to Uva Province	14/09/2022 15.00 hrs.	Same as above	3,500.00	NCB	
DD 04 (SP 1)	SP1/DGM/C5/223/22(N) Printing, Supply and Delivery of Non Payment Disconnection Order Letter Forms 250,000 Sheets. (1,000 Sheets in each packet) Not less than 60 GSM, Imported White Bond Paper (Wood Free)	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	DGM (SP-1)'s Office, CEB, 167, Matara Road, Galle. T.P.091-2232095	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 04 (SP 1)	SP1/DGM/C5/226/22(N) Supply and Delivery of 8.3m/100kg Reinforced Concrete Poles100 Nos.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB	
DD 04 (SP 1)	SP1/DGM/C5/227/22(N) Supply and Delivery of 9m/500kg Pre Stressed Concrete Poles100 Nos.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	3,000.00	NCB	
DD 04	SP1/DGM/C5/228/22(N)	14/09/2022	Same as above	3,000.00	NCB	
(SP 1) DD 04	Supply and Delivery of 8.3m/500kg Pre Stressed Concrete Poles100 Nos. SP1/DGM/C5/229/22(N)	14.00 hrs. 14/09/2022	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB	
(SP 1) DD 04	Supply and Delivery of 13m/500kg Pre Stressed Concrete Poles25 Nos. SP1/DGM/C5/230/22(N)	14.00 hrs.				
(SP 1) AM (W&AS)	Supply and Delivery of Stay Assembly Complete LT Galvanized 1.8 m x 16 mm -250 Nos. WAS/CWG/BID/G/2021/142 Supply of 13734 Nos. Flat Iron 30 mm X 6 mm X 5.8 m for Fabrication of D Brackets.	14.00 hrs. 15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above Office of the Deputy General Manager (Workshop & Ancillary Services), Ceylon Electricity Board, Meetotamulla Road, Kolonnawa.	2,000.00	NCB NCB	
CS (R&D)	DGMR&D/CC/2022/T05 Fabricating pcbs, Supply and Soldering Components for Electronic Cards- 100 Nos.	14/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Research & Development - CS), Ceylon Electricity Board, Meethotamulla Road, Kolonnawa. 0112 69 70 33/44	1,000.00	NCB	
		TRUCTION	0112 69 70 33/ 44			
Projects	PSRSP/PMU2/Tenders/2022/06 Construction of barbed wire – boundary fence around proposed Kalawana GSS land of Power System Reliability Strengthening Project (PSRSP)	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Project Director, Power System Reliability Strengthening Project, Ceylon Electricity Board, 759, Thalangama South, Pelawatta, Battaramulla 10120. TP: 011-2888495/96	500.00	NCB	
Projects	PSRSP/PMU2/Tenders/2022/07 Construction of barbed wire – boundary fence around proposed Negombo GSS land of Power System Reliability Strengthening Project (PSRSP)	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	500.00	NCB	
Generation (AMHE)	AMHE/DGM/003/032/15-2022/01 Obtaining service of hiring motor car for Asset Management hydro electrical, CEB year 2022/2023	15/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Deputy General Manager (Asset Management Hydro Electrical), Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 40/20A, Ampitiya Road, Kandy T.P.: 0812224424, Email.: dgmamhe@ceb.lk	1,000.00	NCB	
Generation (AMHM)	DGM/AMHM/PROC/SS/22/01 Provision of Security Service for the Asset Management Hydro and Protection Generation Office Premises	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Deputy General Manager (Asset Management Hydro Mechanical), Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 40/20A, Ampitiya Road, Kandy T.P.: 0812200242 / 0812200243, Email.: dgmamhm@ceb.lk	1,000.00	NCB	
Generation (LPP)	LV/T/2022/0205 Hiring of mechanical supporting service under the civil section for one year	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Procurement Division, 4th Floor, Admin Building, Lakvijaya Power Plant, Ceylon Electricity Board, Narakkalliya, Norochcholai 61342. TP: 032 226 8964/77 / 071-5777171 Fax: 032 226 8980	3,000.00	NCB	
Generation (LPP)	LV/T/2022/0178 Staff transport service for Lakvijaya Power Plant (Buses and Lorries)	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	3,500.00	NCB	
DD 01 (CC)	DGM(CC)/CE(EM)/PPC/2022/003 Rent /Lease of a Building for Cinnamon Garden Depot of Government Installations Unit.	14/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 13.09.2022, 011-2575930.	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 01 (CC)	DGM(CC)/CE(CE)/PPC/2022/004 Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Colombo East) Unit of Colombo City for 02 years.	14/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 01	DGM(CC)/CE(CE)/PPC/2022/005	14/09/2022	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
(CC) DD 01	Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Colombo East) Unit of Colombo City for 02 years. DGM/NCP/COM/C1/HV/2022/033	10.00 hrs. 08/09/2022	Office of the DGM (NCP), Ceylon Electricity Board, Maithreepala	500.00	NCB	
(NCP) DD 01	Hiring of a Three wheeler for Hingurakgoda CSC of Chief Engineer (Minneriya) for 01 Year Period. DGM(NCP)/CE(Com)/C4/2022/11/E Bill	15.00 hrs. 15/09/2022	Senanayaka Mawatha, Anuradhapura. TP. 025 - 2222552	1,000.00	NCB	
(NCP) DD 01	Printing, Supply & Delivery of Consumers Electricity Bill Forms DGM/NP/CE(Com)/VH/T/2022/106	15.00 hrs. 08/09/2022	Same as above Deputy General Manager (NP) Office, Ceylon Electricity Board, Old			
(NP)	Hiring of a Car for Deputy General Manager (Northern Province) on Dry Lease Basis	14.00 hrs	Park Road, Jaffna. T.P No: 021 222 0496	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 01 (NP)	DGM/NP/CE(Com)/VH/T/2022/107 Hiring of a Motor Car for Electrical Engineer (AMU) – Vavuniya on Wet Lease Basis	08/09/2022 14.00 hrs	Deputy General Manager (NP) Office, Ceylon Electricity Board, Old Park Road, Jaffna. T.P No: 021 222 0496	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 01 (NWP 2)	CEB/NWP2/NCB/HV/22/0151 Hiring of a Car for the Official Use of CE (Commercial).	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	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/22/0152 Hiring of a Car for the Official Use of EE (Commercial).	15/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Same as above	2,000.00	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/165 Hiring of a Van for ECSC at Hataraliyadda of Galagedara Area for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial – CP1), CEB, CP1,No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. T.P 081-2234324	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/167 Hiring of a Van for CE (Distribution Maintenance) Unit-CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/169 Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit - CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/172 Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit - CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/178	14/09/2022	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
(CP 1) DD 02	Hiring of a Van for ECSC at Akurana of Katugastota Area for a Period of 02 Years. CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/182	14.00 hrs. 14/09/2022	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
(CP 1) DD 02	Hiring of a Van for Area Maintenance Sub Unit Dambulla of Dambulla Area for a Period of 02 years. CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/183	14.00 hrs. 14/09/2022				
(CP 1) DD 02	Hiring of a (4WD) Van for ECSC at Weragama of Matale for a Period of 02 Years. CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/193	14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
(CP 1)	Hiring of a Van for CE (Construction) Unit – CP1 for a Period of 02 Years.	14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/173 Rent / Lease Building for Use as Official Quarters of Electrical Superintendent(Galewela) in Dambulla Area for a period of 02 years. CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/179	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Self-prepared detailed application to be forwarded with expected monthly rental. T.P 081-2283442 / 081-2234324	-	NCB	
DD 02 (CP 1)	CP1/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/179 Rent / Lease Building for Use as ECSC Galewela of Dambulla Area for a period of 02 Years.	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	-	NCB	
DD 02 (PHM)	PHM DD2/DGM/(CE (LCM)/DPC/2022/18 Soil Investigation of Towers at Gala Junction to Mabola Primary Substation,33kV DC Lynx Tower Line	07/09/2022 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 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/252 Hiring of a Van for Commercial Sub Unit in Nuwara-Eliya Area for a Period of 02 Years.	21/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Chief Engineer (Commercial)-CP2, CEB, No.431, Colombo Road, Pilimathalawa, T.P 081-2270070	1,000.00	NCB	
DD 02	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/253	21/09/2022	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB	
·~-	Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Peradeniya) for a Period of 02 Years.	14.00 hrs.		,		
(CP 2) DD 02 (CP 2)	CP2/CE(COM)/PPC/2022/258 Supply & Delivery of Brass Bolt and Nut for CEB Provincial Ware House of CP2 (2000 Nos.)	21/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	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 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/G-V155/2022/137 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center - Ganemulla	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/D-V81/T/2022/142 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center - Divulapitiya	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/COM-V13/2022/174 Hiring of a Motor Car for Electrical Engineer – (Commercial)	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/DGM-V07/2022/33 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) Unit	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/DGM-V10/2022/178 Hiring of a Motor Car for Chief Engineer (Energy Management) Unit	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/DM-V19/2022/176 Hiring of a Motor Car for Site Engineer II (Distribution & Maintenance)	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/G-V69/2022/175 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center - Gampaha	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/K-V66/2022/179 Hiring of a Van for Consumer Service Center - Delgoda	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/NCB/P&D-V158/2022/177 Hiring of a Van for Chief Engineer (Planning & Development)	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/FA/Dis&Rec/2023 Registration of contractors for disconnection & reconnection activities of service connections in Western Province North 2023	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/FA/CONST. & MAINT./2023 Registration of contractors for construction & maintenance of MV electricity distribution lines & substations 2023	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/FA/NEW SC/MV LV/2023 Registration of contractors for New service connections and LV/MV maintenance work 2023	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/FA/LRP/EM/2023 Registration of contractors for Loss reduction program in electricity distribution network-WPN 2023	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 02 (WPN)	WPN/FA/WL/2023 අධිසැර/අඩු සැර විදුලි රැහැන් මාර්ග සහ උප පොළ අවට මංවර හෙළි කිරීම සඳහා කොන්තුාත්කරුවන් ලියාපදිංචි කිරීම බස්නාහිර පළාත උතුර – 2023	07/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/KAH/C16/CL.S/2022/02 Cleaning Service for the office of Kahawatta area and Kahawatta, Blangoda, Opanayake, Kalthota sub units for a period of one year	12/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Area Engineer's Office (Kahawatta), CEB, 206, Rathnapura Rd., Pelmadulla. 045-2274405/ 045-2274401	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EE(EMB)/Building/2022/02 Renting a Building to be used as Kolonna C.S.C. for a period of 03 years.	15/09/2022 14.00. hrs.	Area Electrical Engineer's Office, Ceylon Electricity Board, New Town, Embilipitiya.	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (SAB)	SAB/EE(EMB)/Building/2022/03 Renting a Building to be used as A.M.U. Embilipitiya for a period of 03 years.	15/09/2022 14.00. hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 03 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/BUILDINGS/DEO1/2K22/11 Lease of a house for Electrical Engineer (Diyathalawa) Unit, Electrical Superintendent- Ella Quarters, around Kumbalwela or Demodara Town (for 2 years)	14/09/2022 15.00 hrs.	Office of the Electrical Engineer (Diyathalawa), Ceylon Electricity Board, Diyathalawa. Tel: 057-2229084	500.00	NCB
DD 03 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/BUILDINGS/DEO1/2K22/12 Lease of a Building for Electrical Engineer (Monaragala) Office, around Monaragala Town (for 2 years)	14/09/2022 15.00 hrs.	Office of the Electrical Engineer (Monaragala), Ceylon Electricity Board, Monaragala. Tel: 055-2277350	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (AFM)	AFM (DD4)/Vehicles/2022/01 Hiring of a Motor Car for the AFM Branch, DD 04	07/09/ 2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Addl.Fiannce Manager (DD4), 2 nd Floor, Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 25, Council Lane, Dehiwala. 10350 (+9411) 4204014	500.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/vehicle/V11/2022/44 Hiring of a Dual Purpose Van for the usage of Electrical Superintendent (Office), Chief Engineer (Commercial & Consumer Services) Unit	14/09/2022 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	1,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP02/CE(C&CS)/ vehicle /V23/2022/45 Hiring of a Three wheel for the use of Consumer Service Center (Hakmana), Chief Engineer (Matara) Unit	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
DD 04 (SP 2)	SP2/CE(C&CS)/ vehicle /V54/2022/46 Three wheeler for the use of Disconnection Team (Office) Chief Engineer (Tangalle),	14/09/2022 14.00 hrs.	Same as above	1,000.00	NCB
AM (W&AS)	CEPP/BID/S/2022/20 Repairing the Old Soundproof Canopy of the Generator PP/09/05 (Gen No. 03).	21/09/2022 10.00 hrs.	Office of the Chief Engineer (Power Plants) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, Meethotamulla Road, Kolonnawa. 011 257 2411	1,000.00	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 the prospective Bidders or their accredited Agents. Wherever necessary, they should get registered in terms of the Public Contracts Act No. 03 of 1987.

Bidding Documents could be purchased by any prospective bidders or their accredited Agents 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 day 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 bidders 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 or 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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The Information copy of the Bid document may be downloaded from the CEB Corporate website www.ceb.lk

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Registrar General's Department,

Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha.,

No. 234/A3,

Battaramulla.

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

- 01. I hereby give notice under Section 04 of the Land Registers Reconstructed Folio Ordinance (Cap. 120) that Land Register Folios, particulars of which appear in Column 1 of the schedule hereto, affecting the land described in Column 2, thereof which have been found to be missing or torn, have been reconstructed in full in provisional folios and relate to the connected deeds, particulars of which are shown in Column 3 of the said schedule.
- 02. The provisional folio will be opened for inspection by any person or persons interested therein at the Office of the Registrar of Lands Anuradhapuraya, 02.09.2022 to 16.09.2022 between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on all working days.
- 03. 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 23.09.2022. 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

SCHEDULE						
Particulars of Damaged Folios of the Land Register	Particulars of Land	Particulars of Deeds Registered				
Extract bearing LDC 73/51 of the Lan- Registry Anuradhapura in Anuradhapura District	Plan No. I.S.P.P.2 made by the Surveyor General of the	1) අනු/නැතුප/පු/483 & 05.12.1995 grant and presented by the Secretary to the President.				

P.S.P. Abeywardhana Registrar General

PEOPLE'S BANK

AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES

Articles pawned up to 31.12.2020 at the undermentioned Branches and Service Centers of the People's Bank in Polonnaruwa Region and will not be redeemed up to 16.09,2022, will be sold by Public Auction on the date and premises given below.

Auctions will commence at 9.00 a.m. each day.

Date and Place of Auction	17 / 18.09.2022 Polonnaruwa Main Branch
Branches Pawned	Polonnaruwa, Hingurakgoda, Habarana, Medirigiriya, Polonnaruwa Town, Bakamuna, Aralaganwila, Welikanda, Dehiattakandiya, Thambala.
Service Centres Pawned	Kaduruwela, Diyasenpura, Lankapura, Jayanthipura, Polonnaruwa Hospital Premises, Diyabeduma, Manampitiya, Sewanapitiya, Sandunpura, Siripura.

The Bank reserves the right to change the place, cancel, amalgamate or postpone these auctions without further notice to the public.

Regional Manager, People's Bank, Regional Head Office, New Town, Polonnaruwa.

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AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES

Articles pawned up to 31.12.2020 at the undermentioned Branches and Service Centers of the People's Bank in Ratnapura Region and unredeemed up to 16.09.2022, will be sold by public auction on the dates and premises given below.

The Auction will commence at 9.00 a.m. each day.

Date of Auction	17.09.2022 , 18.09.2022		
Place of Auction	People's Bank Ratnapura Town Branch - 1st Floor (Kudugalwatta)		
Branches Pawned	Balangoda, Embilipitiya, Eheliyagoda, Ratnapura, Rakwana, Kahawatta, Pelmadulla, Nivithigala, Kalawana, Godakawela, Kuruwita, Kiriella, Kalthota, Udawalawa, Ratnapura Town, Pallebedda.		
Service Centres Pawned	Pambahinna, Weligepola, Kolonna, Sewanagala, Padalangala, Eheliyagoda, Ratnapura New Town, Opanayake, Karawita, Ayagama, Welioya, Wewelwatta.		

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Regional Manager People's Bank, **Regional Head Office** Ratnapura.

Telephone No. 045-2223084





SRI LANKA TELECOM TENDER NOTICE

TENDER FOR REPAIRING OF CUSTOMER PREMISES EQUIPMENT (CPEs)

(Tender No: L/0880/2022)

Tenders for the captioned subject will be accepted by the undersigned, up to 14:00 hrs on 12th September 2022.

Tender documents could be obtained via e-mail during office hours commencing from 09:00 hrs. on 25th August 2022, till 7 working days from the date of publishing of this tender notice by e-mailing duly signed Non-Disclosure Agreement AND the receipt obtained after payment of the non-refundable Tender Fee of Rs 1,000.00 + VAT to any teleshop or cash counter of Sri Lanka Telecom PLC.

Tenderers should upload their proposal to SLT iSupplier portal, an online tendering system of SLT PLC, on or before 14:00 hrs on 12th September 2022. Tenders will be opened electronically through the system and acceptance of the bids will be notified to bidders via iSupplier portal itself.

For further details regarding Non-refundable deposit, Non-Disclosure Agreement, collecting of tender documents and online bidding please call during office hours, at 011 3090662 or E-mail e_proc@slt.com.lk

CHAIRMAN - JUNIOR TENDER BOARD PROCUREMENT DIVISION, 9th FLOOR, SLT/HQ - A Building, SRI LANKA TELECOM, LOTUS ROAD, COLOMBO 01.

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Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited **INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Procurement of 500 MT's of Soya Beans for Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited

Bid No: SLTL/TB/13/2022

- 1. The Chairman, Department Procurement Committee (Major) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for supply of 500MT's of Soya Beans for Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited.
- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) method.
- 3. To be eligible for contract award, the Bidder shall not have been blacklisted and bidder shall be incorporated under the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007.
- 4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Senior Manager, Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited on working days between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. Tel. 011-2236588 / 0112237418.
- 5. A complete set of bidding documents in English Languae may be purchased by interested bidders from the Senior Manager at the Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited, P.O. Box 17, Negombo Road, Kapuwatta, Ja-Ela. (011-2236588 / 011-2237418) on working days between 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. up to 14.09.2022 on submission of a written request to the address below together with the PCA3 issued by the Registrar of Contracts and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 27,500.00 by cash.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 15.09.2022 at 2.30 p.m. Late bids will be rejected. Bids shall be valid for 91 days from the date of bid opening :15.09.2022 up to 15.12.2022.
- 7. All bids must be accompanied with a Bid Security issued by a commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka approved by the Central Bank, **amounting to Rs. 2,250,000.00.** The validity period of the Bid Security **shall be 119 days** from the date of bid opening 15.09.2022 up to 12.01.2023.
- 8. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' authorized representatives at the address below immediately after the time mentioned above (15.09.2022 at 2.30 p.m.).

Address referred to above is:

Chairman **Major Procurement Committee,** Sri Lanka Thriposha Limited, P.O. Box 17,

Kapuwatta, Ja-Ela.

PEOPLE'S BANK

AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES Kalutara Region

Articles pawned up to 31.12.2020 at the undermentioned Branches and Service Centers of the People's Bank in Kalutara Region and will not be redeemed up to the dates given below.

The Auction will commence at 9.00 a.m. each day.

No.	Name of the Branch/ Service Center	Articles not redeemed up to	Auction Date and Place
01	Kalutara, Aluthgama, Neboda, Kalutara North, Central Junction, Bombuwala, Katukurunda, Nagoda, Darga Town	16.09.2022	17.09.2022 / 18.09.2022 Kalutara Branch
02	Horana, Bulathsinhala, Ingiriya, Millaniya, Moragahahena, Gonapola, Pokunuwita, Handapangoda	16.09.2022	17.09.2022 / 18.09.2022 Horana Branch
03	Mathugama, Baduraliya, Pelawatta, Agalawatta, Dodangoda, Meegahatenna	23.09.2022	24.09.2022 / 25.09.2022 Matugama Branch
04	Wadduwa, Maggona, Beruwala, Moronthuduwa	09.09.2022	11.09.2022 Wadduwa Branch
05	Panadura, Bandaragama, Panadura Town Keselwatta, Eluwila, Alubomulla, Modarawila	23 09 2022	24.09.2022 / 25.09.2022 Panadura Branch

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Regional Manager (Kalutara) Regional Head Office, People's Bank.

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CENTRAL PROVINCE 1

CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD

REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS & CONTRACTORS FOR THE YEAR 2023

DGM (CP1)/CE(COM)/R/2023

Applications are invited from Manufacturers, Distributors, Agents, Suppliers and Contractors who wish to register themselves for the supply of items and provide services to the Central Province of Ceylon Electricity Board for the year 2023.

- **Item Category Materials**
- MCCBs, MCBs, ELCBs, RCCBB, RCCB, Cutouts (Agents or Authorized Dealers M-1
- Network Accessories (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- M-3 Computers, Printers, UPSs, Photocopiers, etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- Computer Accessories, Printer Accessories, Dot Matrix Printer Ribbons (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- Line Matrix Printer Ribbons & Cartridges (Agents or Authorized Dealers only) M-6
- Safety Equipment Safety Ladders, Safety Shoes, Safety Belts, Safety Helmets, Safety Gloves, Gum Boots, Raincoats and Safety Overall etc. (Manufacturers, Agents or
- All types of Copper & Al. Cables, Conductors and Binding Wires (Manufacturers only) LT & HT Cable Tiles. (Manufacturers only)
- Stationery, Office Equipment etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- M-10 Supply & Delivery of Reinforced Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only)
- M-11 Supply & Delivery of Pre Stressed Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only) M-12 Supply & Delivery of Spun Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only)
- M-13 Electrical fittings, Halogen fittings, Flood light fittings, Street lamps, Main switches, Electrical appliances etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- M-14 Bimetallic Lugs, Copper Lugs, Compression Connectors, C Connectors and Ground Connectors. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- Small tools and measuring equipment. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
- **Item Category Services**
- S-1 Providing of service connections (Kandy City, Kundasale, Katugastota, Matale, Galagedara, Dambulla,)
- Clearing of Way leaves of Low Voltage lines, Medium Voltage lines & Distribution Substations (CE(DM-CP1), Kandy City, Kundasale, Katugastota, Matale, Galagedara,
- Construction & Maintenance of Low Voltage lines & Maintenance of Distribution Substations. (CE(Cont-CP1), Kandy City, Kundasale, Katugastota, Matale, Galagedara, Dambulla)
- Construction & Maintenance of Medium Voltage lines, Low Voltage lines & Distribution Substations. (CE(Cont-CP1), CE(DM-CP1), Kandy City, Kundasale, Katugastota, Matale, Galagedara, Dambulla)
- Replacing of Perished Meter Boxes & Defective Meters (CE(EM-CP1), Kandy City, Kundasale, Katugastota, Matale, Galagedara, Dambulla)
- S-6 Refurbishment of 3phase -30A & 60A Services & Meter Points-CE(Energy
- Management-CP1) Unit
- Underground Cable Laying. (CE-Kandy City) S-8 Electricity Disconnection & Reconnection Works
- S-9 Transportation of Poles
- Chartered Electrical Engineers Inspection & Issuance of Certificates for Electrical Installations
- S-11 Janitorial Services. Civil Construction (ICTAD, C9 or above).
- Printing Works.
- Security Services. S-14

Conditions:

A complete set of assessment documents for registration of suppliers could be obtained from this office on any working day until 2022-09-28 between 9.00 am. and 3.00 pm. on payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 500/= by cash to the Counter at Accountant (Revenue)'s Office, CEB, Lamagaraya Road, Kandy or by a bank draft drawn in favor of "General Manager", Ceylon Electricity Board, Colombo for each item category as mentioned above.

The words, "Application for (Relevant description)" should be indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope & tender sealed, marked and addressed to Deputy General Manager, Central Province 1, Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 04, Asgiriya Road., Kandy could be deposited in the tender box kept at the office of the Chief Engineer (Commercial - CP1) or could be sent under registered post to reach Deputy General Manager (CP1) office on or before 2022-09-29

Terms and conditions for registration of suppliers will be provided along with the assessment document

Deputy General Manager (Central Province 1) Ceylon Electricity Board, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy Tel. No: 081-2234324 Fax: 081-2228603



AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED GOLD ARTICLES

Notice is hereby given that if the articles remained unredeemed as at 31st July 2022 will be auctioned by public auction on 06th October 2022, at Head Office, BOC Merchant Tower, 28, St. Michael's Road, Colombo 03. The Auction will be started from 10.00 a.m.

Kadawatha, Gampaha, Negombo, Kottawa, Kalutara, Moratuwa, Galle, Nugegoda, Kotahena, Kurunegala, Anuradhapura, Ratnapura, Ambalangoda, Ampara, Ambalantota, Avissawella, Bandarawela, Batticaloa, Chilaw, Dambulla, Deniyaya, Embilipitiya, Tissamaharama, Hindurakgoda, Horana, Hatton, Ja-ela, Jaffna, Kandy, Kiribathgoda, Kilinochchi, Kekirawa, Kuliyapitiya, Maharagama, Malabe, Matara, Mathugama, Monaragala, Nittambuwa, Puttalama, Panadura. Trincomalee, Vauniya, Wattala, Wennappuwa, Head

MBSL reserve the right to cancel, postpone and /or amalgamate the auction or change the venue for This auction without any further notice. A fee of Rs. 5,000/- non refundable & Rs.1,000,000/- Refundable deposit will be charged up on entrance to the auction. Senior Manager Gold Loan, BOC Merchant Tower, 9th Floor, No. 28, St' Michael's Road, Colombo 03. 011 4 711 711





- ISLANDWIDE -

SABARAGAMUWA PROVINCE

KEGALLE. 035-5677210, 035-2222427 M.M. Salgado & Sons, Salgado Bakery & Hotel

KEGALLE. 035-4926489, 035-2231716 Red Rose Book Shop, Royal Shopping Complex, Main St,

RATNAPURA. 045-2223883, 0777-221939 Lake House Advertising Centre, No. 88, Main Street,

RATNAPURA. 045-2230730 G.G. Karunaratne, No. 16, Church Road

SOUTHERN PROVINCE

AMBALANGODA. 091-2255744 / 4382034 H.D. Mendis, 96 B 1/1, Galle Road,

AMBALANGODA. 091-2258483, 0779639214 "Royal Book Shop", No. 152, Main Street,

BADDEGAMA. 091 2292263, 091 3926084 Gamage Book Shop,

034-2270090, 034 2270572 Sumudu News Papers, No. 117, Galle Rd,

ELPITIYA. 091-2290746, 077-2609456 Chandima Groceries,

091-2232733, 091-5627646 New Aradhana Traders, 81, Maha Veediya,

0914-385548/0914-924261 Paranagama Traders, No. 28, P & J City, Gamini Mw. HAMBANTOTA. 047-2220808, 0716-370337

Misiriya Stores, No. 37, Mahajana Pola, HIKKADUWA. 091-2277792, 091-2277285

Gallage News Agencies, No. 270A, Galle Rd, MATARA. 041-2222185, 0414921530

Nilmini Stores, 69, Dharmapala Mawatha,

TANGALLE 047-2240402 No. 158, Matara Road,

WALAHANDUWA 091-2222915 Madola Velendasela, Ihalagoda

Muthiyangana Clock Tower,

UVA PROVINCE

BADULLA 055 2225616, 0777-444678 Lake House Advertising Office, No. 14, Opp.

BANDARAWELA, 057-2232145, 071 8269555 Nayana Book Shop, No. 34B,..

MONARAGALA. 055-2276397, 055-2276108 No. 19, Siri Ramya Stores,

CENTRAL PROVINCE

KANDY 081-4476362, 081-2222780 Jayakody Agencies, No. 229/A, Peradeniya Road,

GAMPOLA 081-2352379, 081-4485628 No. 24, Nuwara Eliya Road,

GAMPOLA 081-2352346, 081-2354547 Dawasa Centre, No. 14, Station Road,

MATALE 066-2222126 Malaka Traders (Pvt) Ltd. 55-57, Main Street

066-2255292 RATTOTA S.J. Enterprises, No. 6, T.D. Jayarathne Mw.

066-2244225 Coranation Hotel & Bakery, No. 09, Kalpitiya Rd,

EASTERN PROVINCE

TRINCOMALEE. 026-222558 Trincomalee Lake House, 447, Dockyard Road,

classified@lakehouse.lk 011 2 429 342 | 011 2 429 343

Fax - 011 2 429 375 / 011 2 429 380





SRI LANKA PORTS AUTHORITY

Invitation for Bids (IFB)

. The Chairman, Department Procurement Committee on behalf of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the items given below.

Tender No.	Name of the Tender	Bid Security Amount (Rs.)	Document Fee (Inclusive of VAT)	Closing Date & Time
CES/FP/07/PT/6363(MP)	02 Nos. Complete Engine (OM 906 LA, Mercedes Benz) for the Terberg Yard Tractors	240,000.00	3,500.00	22.09.2022 10.00 hrs
CES/FP/02/PT/6364(MP)	Engine spares for Terberg Terminal Tractors	80,000.00	1,000.00	22.09.2022 10.00 hrs
CES/FP/06/PT/6368(MP)	100 Nos. Hydraulic Tank Mounts for RAM Spreaders at JCT	22,500.00	1,000.00	22.09.2022 10.00 hrs
CMS/LP/22/PT/01/016	01 No. Server for Payroll	50,000.00	1,000.00	15.09.2022 13.30 hrs
CMS/LP/22/PT/03/017	02 Nos. 30 KVA Online UPS Units	50,000.00	1,000.00	15.09.2022 13.30 hrs
CMS/LP/21/PT/13/058	66 Nos. of Sea Water Gate Valves for M/T Suranimala & M/T Gotaimbara	32,000.00	1,000.00	16.09.2022 13.30 hrs
CMS/LP/21/PT/04/055	Trouser Black, Blue & White - 1700 Nos.	30,000.00	1,000.00	16.09.2022 13.30 hrs

- 2. Bidders are hereby informed that the provisions of Public Contracts Act No.3 of 1987 are applicable to tenders total Cost exceeding Rs. 5 million. Accordingly, all parties involved in each aforementioned tender are required to strictly abide by the said Act throughout the duration of contract. Furthermore, any bidder who wishes to act as an agent, sub-agent, a representative or a nominee for and on behalf of any foreign manufacturer or a supplier is required to register himself with the Registrar of Public Contracts and submit the duly completed registration certificate along with his bid documents.
- 3. Bidders should have been in the business of supplying similar goods given above at least during the last Five (5) years.
- 4. Interested bidders may obtain further information from The Chief Manager (Supplies & Material Management) and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below during office hours.
- 5. A complete set of bidding documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee indicated in Column 04 from 26th August 2022 between 9.00 a.m. and 03.00 p.m. on working days, up to day prior to the closing date. The method of payment will be in cash.
- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before closing time. Late bids will not be accepted. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below at closing time. All bids must be accompanied by the amount of above mentioned Bid Security.

Chief Manager (Supplies & Material Management),

Supplies Division,

Sri Lanka Ports Authority,

No. 45, Leyden Bastian Road, Colombo 01.

Telephone Nos: 2482231, 2483338, 2482499, 2482832, 2482409, 2482652, 2483024, 2482638 Fax Nos: 2381652, 2470443



Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Mullaitivu

INVITATION FOR BIDSSupply of Medical Equipment - 2022

Sealed bids are invited by the Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee of the Office of the Regional Department of Health Services from eligible and qualified suppliers of Medical Equipment for the supply of following goods.

Reference No.	Description	Qty	Bid Security (Rs.)	Reference No.	Description	Qty	Bid Security (Rs.)
	Cylinder Stand	12			Tongue Depressors	10	
PSSP/MEP	Stretcher	04	200,000.00		Bathroom Scale	01	
/2022/ LOT/E	Ward Round Trolley	13			Knee Hammer	01	
LOT/ L	Medicine Trolley	06			Air Mattress	04	
	IV Stand	20			Vision Card	03	
	Patient Trolley	08		PSSP/MEP /2022/	Snellen Chart	12	150,000.00
	Wheel Chair	08		LOT / G	Knee Hammers	10	
	Assisting Trolley	05			Tuning Fork	05	
	Over Bed Trolley	10			Digital Weighing Scale	07	
	Spirometer	01		1	Thermometer- Digital	06	
PSSP/MEP	Otoscope	02	150,000.00		Thermometer For	01	
/2022/ LOT/F	Examination Lamp	02			Surgeon Stool	07	
LOT/I	Stethoscope	03			Dispenser Chair	03	
	Multipara Monitor	02			Near Vision Tamil & Sinhala Chart	02	
	ECG Machine	04					
	Nebulize Machine	04					
	BP Apparatus	05					

- * Bidder should be an individual or institution having a business registration for the supply of medical
- Every bid should be accompanied by a relevant bid security as mentioned above. Bids without the bid security will be rejected.
- ❖ Interested bidders may obtain bid documents prepared in English language between 09.00 hrs and 15.00 hrs from 19.08.2022 until 02.09.2022 on submission of the perfected "Application for Bid Documents" available in this office upon payment of a nonrefundable bid fee of Rs. 2000/ = in cash for each bid.
- ❖ Bids may either be sent by registered post or deposited in the Bid Box kept in the Finance Branch of the Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Mullaitivu to receive before 10.30 a.m. on 05.09.2022. Bids will be opened at 10.30 a.m. on 05.09.2022 in the presence of the authorized bidders or their representatives.
- ❖ Eligible and interested bidders may obtain further information from the Regional Department of Health Services, Mullaitivu during office hours. (T.P. 021 229 0111, Fax: 021 229 0104)
- ❖ Chairman of the Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept or reject the bids received or to accept part thereof or to cancel the bid process at any time without any liability to the bidders.

Chairman Regional Procurement Committee Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Mullaitivu



REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is to inform the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the General Public that the Special Power of Attorney dated 16th October 2021 and attested by P. Kayilasanathan Barrister and Solicitor of Ontario, Canada in favour of KANDIAH NAGASELVAM RAJAKANTHAN (holder of National Identity Card No.743473629V) of Vaddu South, Vaddukoddai, Sri Lanka in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and granted by us Mr. JAMES AMIRTHAPALAN THANABALASINGAM and Wife DODDILDAH **USHAINE AMIRTHAPALAN** both of College Road, Vaddukoddai, Sri Lanka and presently of 132, Baycliff Drive, Whitby, Ontrario, LIP IV5, Canada is cancelled and revoked with effect from 18.08.2022 and henceforth shall not be liable for any act or deed under the said Power of Attorney. Mr. JAMES AMIRTHAPALAN THANABALASINGAM Mrs. DODDILDAH USHAINE AMIRTHAPALAN

BANK OF CEYLON

INVITATION FOR BIDS

BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR 32 STORIED HEAD OFFICE BUILDING, COLOMBO 01, GENERAL MANAGER'S BUNGALOW, COLOMBO 07 AND BOC CARD CENTER AT WORLD TRADE CENTER, COLOMBO 01

BID NO. P/PROC/2022/188

 The Chairperson, Corporate Procurement Committee, Bank of Ceylon, No 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 now invites sealed bids from Janitorial Service Providers for Building Maintenance and Janitorial Services for 32 Storied Head Office Building, Bank of Ceylon, No. 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01, General Manager's Bungalow, No.75, Ananda Coomaraswami Mawatha, Colombo 07 and BOC Card Center at World Trade Center, Colombo 01 as described below.

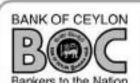
The works consist of carrying out of cleaning, up-keeping and maintenance of these premises.

The janitorial services shall be provided to the highest standards and performed to the entire satisfaction of the Management of the Bank of Ceylon.

The Contract period is two (02) years.

- 2. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Procedure
- 3. To be eligible and qualify for contract award, the successful bidder,
 - a) shall not have been placed in the List of Defaulting Contractors / Suppliers of the Government of Sri Lanka or of the Bank.
 - b) shall be registered as a legal person in Sri Lanka.
 - should have minimum five (05) years' experience in providing janitorial services including at least one assignment for multistoried building having floor area not less than 50,000 Sq.ft during last two (02) years.
 - d) shall have an average annual turnover of Rs.30.00 million for last five (05) years.
 - e) shall have minimum amount of Liquid Assets and/or Credit facilities not less than Rs.3.5
 Million
- Bidding document may be inspected free of charge at the Office of the Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement), Bank of Ceylon, 14th Floor, No 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha Colombo 01, on any working day from 0900 hrs to 1430 hrs from 25.08.2022 until 14.09.2022.
- A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement), Bank of Ceylon, 14th Floor, No 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 on any working day from 0900 hrs to 1430 hrs from 25.08.2022 until 14.09.2022 upon payment of a non refundable fee of Rs.20,160.00 only (Rs.18,000.00 + Rs.2,160.00 VAT 12%) including VAT. The Method of Payment will be in Cash.
- Bids should only be submitted on the Bidding Documents obtained from Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement), Bank of Ceylon. Duplicated Bidding Documents are not allowed to submit Bids.
- Sealed Bids in duplicate shall be deposited in the box available at the Ground Floor, Bank of Ceylon, No. 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 for this purpose or sent by registered post addressed to Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement) of the above address to reach him on or before 1000 hrs on 15.09.2022. Late bids will not be accepted. Bids shall be opened soon after closing of the Bids. Bidders or their representatives may attend the bid opening.
- 8. Bids shall be valid up to 91 days from the date of closing of bids.
- Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security of Rs.1,070,000.00 (Rupees One Million Seventy Thousand only) in the form of bank guarantee; irrevocable, unconditional and on demand, obtained from a licensed commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka other than Bank of Ceylon, which shall be valid up to 12.01.2023 or cash deposit slip / bank draft for the same amount. Personal Cheques drawn by the bidder will not be accepted.
- The Pre- Bid meeting will be held at 1100 hrs on 06.09.2022 at the Conference room, 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01.
- PCA 3 FORM should be accompanied with the Bid as per provision set out in the Public Contract Act No 3 of 1987 or any amendments thereof.
- Authorized person who signed the Bid should be declared by a Board Resolution / registered Power of Attorney as appropriate and the document should be submitted along with the Bid.
- The Bank reserves the right of rejecting any or all Bids and the right of accepting any portion of the Bid without adducing any reason.
- 14. The bidders should declare whether spouse or close relations in the case of individuals; spouses or close relations of partners in the case of partnership; spouses or close relations of Directors in the case of Limited Liability Company; are employed / not employed in the Bank.
- For further details, please contact Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement), Bank of Ceylon, 14th Floor, No 01, "BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 on Telephone Nos. 0112544310 / 2204270.

The Chairperson,
Corporate Procurement Committee,
C/o Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement),
14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, No.01,
"BOC Square", Bank of Ceylon Mawatha,
Colombo 01.



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BANK OF CEYLON

INVITATION FOR BIDS

COURIER SERVICE FOR BANK OF CEYLON

BID NO: BOC/PROC/P/2022/215

 The Chairman, Corporate Procurement Committee, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 now invites sealed bids from Courier Service Providers for Courier Services for Bank of Ceylon as described below.

The works consist of following activities.

- Collect courier bags from Head Office and deliver to Province Offices, Regional Loan Centers and Branches
- Collect courier bags from Province Offices and deliver to Regional Loan Centers and Branches
- Collect courier bags from Branches, Regional Loan Centers and deliver to Province Offices and to Head Office.
- d. Collect courier bags from Province offices and deliver to Head Office.
- Collect courier bags from Head Office and deliver to Metropolitan Branch, Taprobane Branch, Pettah Branch, BOC Premier Center at Kollupitiya and Ginthupitiya Stores and collect courier bags from these places and deliver to Head Office.

The courier services shall be provided to the highest standards and performed to the entire satisfaction of the Management of the Bank of Ceylon.

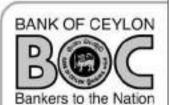
Initial Contract period shall be two years and it may be extended for further period of one year as required by the Bank with the same terms & conditions and prices subject to satisfactory performance of the Service Provider.

- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding (NCB) Procedure.
- 3. To be eligible and qualify to contract award, the successful bidder,
 - a. should not be currently placed in the list of defaulters by the Bank of Ceylon.
 - should hold a valid business registration at least for the past 03 years' in providing courier services.
 - should have completed at least one courier service assignment covering minimum 200 locations island-wide for a single institute during last 03 years.
 - should have at least one regional service center at each administrative province covering services island-wide.
 - e. should provide sufficient number of vehicles for the methodology proposed by the Bidder with dedicated transport arrangements
 - f. should have following financial capabilities
 - minimum average annual turnover of courier services performed in last 03 years should be at least Rs.50 Million.
 - ii. minimum Rs.10 Million liquid assets and / or credit facilities.
- Bidding documents may be inspected free of charge at the Office of the Chief Manager (Properties & Procurement), 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No. 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 during working hours from 0900 hrs until 1400 hrs from 25.08.2022 until 14.09.2022.
- 5. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English language may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to The Chief Manager, Properties and Procurement Department, 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 on any working day from 0900 hrs to 1400 hrs from 25.08.2022 until 14.09.2022, upon payment of a non refundable fee of Rupees Twenty Two thousand Four Hundred (Rs.22,400.00) including VAT (Rs. 20,000.00 + Rs. 2,400.00 VAT). Method of payment shall be in Cash.
- Bids should only be submitted on the Bidding Documents obtained from Chief Manager (Properties and Procurement), Bank of Ceylon. Duplicated Bidding Documents are not allowed to submit Bids.
- 7. Sealed Bids in duplicate shall be deposited in the Box available at the Ground Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square" No.01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 or sent by registered post addressed to the Chief Manager, (Properties & Procurement), 14" Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01 to reach on or before 1000 hrs on 15.09.2022. Late bids will not be accepted and returned unopened. Bids will be opened soon after closing in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend.
- 8. Bids shall be valid up to 91days from the date of closing of bid.
- The Pre- Bid meeting will be held at 1100 hrs on 05.09.2022 at the Conference room, 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01.
- 10. Bidders are required to furnish a Bid Security in the form of Bank Guarantee; irrevocable, unconditional and on demand, along with the Bid for a sum Rs. 1,600,000.00 (One Million Six Hundred Thousand Rupees) from a licensed commercial bank operating in Sri Lanka other than Bank of Ceylon, valid up to 12.01.2023. Cash Deposits / Bank Drafts for the same amount are also accepted in lieu of Bank Guarantee. Personal Cheques drawn by the bidder will not be accepted.
- PCA 3 FORM should be accompanied with the Bid as per provision set out in the Public Contract Act No 3 of 1987 or any amendments thereof.
- Authorized person who signed the Bid should be declared by a Board Resolution / registered Power of Attorney as appropriate and the documents as proof of above should be submitted along with the Bid.
- 13. The bidders should declare whether spouse or close relations in the case of individuals; spouses or close relations of partners in the case of partnership; spouses or close relations of Directors in the case of Limited Liability Company; are employed / not employed in the Bank of Ceylon.
- 14. The Bank reserves the right of rejecting any or all Bids and the right of accepting any portion of the Bid without adducing any reason.
- Interested Bidders may obtain further information and all clarifications from the Chief Manager (Properties & Procurement), 14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon, "BOC Square", No 01, Bank of Ceylon Mawatha, Colombo 01, Tel. Nos. 0112204260 / 0112544310, Fax. 0112449629, E-mail: properties@boc.lk

The Chairman,

Corporate Procurement Committee,
C/O Chief Manager (Properties & Procurement),
14th Floor, Bank of Ceylon,
No.01, "BOC Square",
Bank of Ceylon Mawatha,
Colombo 01.

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CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD CENTRAL PROVINCE 02

REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS & CONTRACTORS FOR THE YEAR 2023

DGM (CP2)/CE(COM)/R/2023

Applications are invited from Manufacturers, Distributors, Agents, Suppliers and Contractors who wish to register themselves for the supply of items and provide services to the Central Province of Ceylon Electricity Board for the year 2023.

01. Item Category - Materials

M-1	MCCBs, MCBs, ELCBs, RCCBB, RCCB, Cutouts (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-2	Network Accessories (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-3	Computers, Printers, UPSs, Photocopiers, etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-4	Computer Accessories, Printer Accessories, Dot Matrix Printer Ribbons (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-5	Line Matrix Printer Ribbons & Cartridges (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-6	Safety Equipment - Safety Ladders, Safety Shoes, Safety Belts, Safety Helmets, Safety Gloves, Gum Boots, Raincoats and Safety Overalls etc. (Manufacturers, Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-7	All types of Copper & Al. Cables, Conductors and Binding Wires – (Manufacturers only)
M-8	LT & HT Cable Tiles. (Manufacturers only)
M-9	Stationery, Office Equipment etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-10	Supply & Delivery of Reinforced Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only)
M-11	Supply & Delivery of Pre Stressed Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only)
M-12	Supply & Delivery of Spun Concrete Poles. (Manufacturers only)
M-13	Electrical fittings, Halogen fittings, Flood light fittings, Street lamps, Main switches, Electrical appliances etc. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)
M-14	Bimetallic Lugs, Copper Lugs, Compression Connectors, C Connectors and Ground Connectors. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)

M-15 | Small tools and measuring equipment. (Agents or Authorized Dealers only)

02. Item Category - Services

S-1	Providing of service connections (Applications should be submitted separately for each unit)
S-2	Clearing of Way leaves of Low Voltage lines, Medium Voltage lines & Distribution Substations (Applications should be submitted separately for each unit)
S-3	Construction & Maintenance of Low Voltage lines & Maintenance of Distribution Substations. (Applications should be submitted separately for each unit)
S-4	Construction & Maintenance of Medium Voltage lines, Low Voltage lines & Distribution Substations. (Applications should be submitted separately for each unit)
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S-8	Electricity Disconnection & Reconnection Works
S-9	Transportation of Poles
S-10	Chartered Electrical Engineers – Inspection & Issuance of Certificates for Electrical Installations
S-11	Janitorial Services.
S-12	Civil Construction (ICTAD, C9 or above).
S-13	Printing Works.
S-14	Security Services

Note - The units under above S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4, S-5 Categories are as follows :

1 Nawalapitiya 2 Kegalle 3 Peradeniya 4 Mawanella 5 Ginigathhena 6 Nuwara Eliya 7 Hanguranketha 8 CE(Construction) unit CP 02 9 CE(Distribution Maintenance) Unit CP 02 10 CE(Energy Management) Unit CP 02

Conditions:

A complete set of assessment documents for registration of suppliers could be obtained from this office on any working day until **2022-09-29** between 9.00 am. and 3.00 pm. on payment of a non-refundable fee of Rs. 500/= by cash through a paying voucher obtained from Chief Engineer (Commercial) – CP 02 and making payment to any CEB POS counter or any branch of People's Bank or by a bank draft drawn in favor of "General Manager", Ceylon Electricity Board, Colombo for each item category as mentioned above.

The words, "Application for (Relevant description)" should be indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope & tender sealed, marked and addressed to Deputy General Manager, Central Province 02, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.431, Colombo Road., Pilimathalawa could be deposited in the tender box kept at the Office of the Chief Engineer (Commercial) – CP 02 or could be sent under registered post to reach Deputy General Manager (CP 02)'s Office on or before 2022-09-30 at 10.00 am.

Terms and conditions for registration of suppliers will be provided along with the assessment document.

Deputy General Manager (Central Province 02)
Ceylon Electricity Board, No.431, Colombo Road, Pilimathalawa.
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