

2017

Annual Performance Report

Department of Christian Affairs



Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Introduction

Programmes are implemented by the Department of Christian Religious Affairs with a view to ensure the maintenance and enhancement of Christian Religion and culture

Vision

Taking action for the wellbeing of Christian community

Mission

Promotion of values, ethics and faiths in Christian culture and religion in consistent with the social recognitions

Objective

Formulation and supervision of policies and programs with a view to enhance religious values of people in order to build a moral society

Activities

1. Carrying out development activities at national religious places declared by Catholic Church and Pilgrimages Ordinance.
2. Granting funds for annual church feasts at public religious places.
3. Assistance in Development
4. Providing aids for reconstruction and development activities at Christian churches for which economic assistance has become dire necessity.
5. Enhancement of Christian religious education and evaluation of the services of Christian Sunday School Teachers.
6. Promotion of Christian religious, literature and arts.
7. Conducting quiz competition in order to enhance knowledge in Bible.
8. Making contribution for Easter programs which is highly adored by Christian community.
9. Making contribution for Christmas festival highly respected by Christians and organization of state Christmas festival
10. Organization of ceremonies which are important at national as well as religious aspects.
11. Implementation of spiritual and personality development programs for the benefit of Christian community.
12. Reconstruction and development of Churches.
13. Making recommendations for visa for both foreign laymen and clergies who arrive for religious activities and recommendations for visa for pilgrims.
14. Provision of concessions for religious institutions on water, electricity and duties.
15. Making recommendations for issuance of passports and identity cards for local Christian clergies.
16. Special projects launched by the Department of Christian Religious Affairs
17. Issuance of registration certificates for Catholic Churches, Sunday Schools, and religious Institutions and maintenance of a data base

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Chapter One

Structure of the Department of Christian Religious Affairs

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Even though, the Christian community living in Sri Lanka has conducted religious observances joining with religious centers for centuries, no direct link has been established between such religious organizations and government. However, they always had the freedom of religion under each government.

During the past decade, the role to be performed by the government on Christian community and their religious centers under concept “All religions should be treated at one and the same level ” has been expanded and developed. In the meantime, the attention of government was significantly drawn to the clergy and devotees of Christianity. As a result of this trend, the mutual trust and relationship has been developed systematically within Christian religious body as well as between religious centers and government.

The religious places situated both in urban and rural areas serve as the institutions which lay the foundation to enhance ethics, virtues and morals whilst conducting Christian religious observances. Our service is to provide assistance and sponsorship through government and other institutions, which is necessary to

make a generation enriched with morality and to develop Christian community in spiritual and attitudinal aspects making religious places the center for the purpose whilst joining with Roman Catholic Church and the Christian churches affiliated to national Christian Board.

This Department which was established in May 1999 by a Cabinet Memorandum as the Department of Christian Religious Affairs and Cultural Affairs under the Ministry of Cultural Religious Affairs has seen a gradual evolution facing various changes within later years under different Ministries and Ministers. Since 01st August 2007, the Department of Christian Religious Affairs has been developed in a more proper and systematic way becoming a more active institution. Accordingly, the role of the Department was implemented under following four divisions.

Administration Division

Development Division

Accounts Division

Audit Division

Administration Division

The role of the division is to carry out coordination and supervision in order to achieve the objectives directing the establishments, administrative and management activities of the Department. The role of the Department can be described in the following.

1. Maintaining all establishment activities relevant to personal files of all the officers in the staff.
2. Maintaining systematically the procedures of recruitment and other activities relevant for recruitment of new officers to the vacancies.
3. Providing establishment information and reports which are requested from time to time.
4. Performing duties relating to local and overseas training of officers.
5. Maintaining public Administration Circulars, Department Circulars and all other circulars with necessary updating.
6. Settling of bills connecting to expenses for telephone, water, electricity, building and other miscellaneous purposes and ensuring maintenance.
7. Performing all duties relating to provision of security services, provision of sanitary services, servicing computers, photocopiers and fax machines and duties relating to other contracted services.
8. Maintaining particulars of daily attendance with necessary updating, issuing duty leave, railway warrants, settling and maintaining the file for railway concessionary tickets.
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10. Performing all duties relevant to the subject of Agrahara.
11. Receiving applications for loans and submitting them to the Accounts Division after completion.
12. Performing all duties relation to maintenance of vehicles and transport.
13. Making recommendations for visa for both foreign laymen and clergies who arrive for religious activities and recommendations for visa for pilgrims.
14. Granting concessions for religious institutions on water, electricity bills and granting relief for duty.
15. Making recommendations for the issuance of identity cards and passports for local Christian Priests
16. Issuance of registration certificates for Catholic Churches, Daham Schools, and religious Institutions and maintenance of a data base
17. Provision of information to outside parties under Right to Inform Act.

Staff of the Department 31.12.2017

Serial No	Designation	Approved Cadre	Present staff	Number of vacancies
1	Director(SLAS I)	01	01	00
2	Assistant Director(SLAS III)	01	01	00
3	Accountant(SLAS II/III)	01	00	01
4	Administrative Officer	01	00	01
Administration Division				
5	Unit Head (M.A.1)	01	00	01
6	Public Management Assistant	05	03	02
Development Division				
7	Project Assistant	05	01	04
8	Public Management Assistant	03	03	00
9	Development Officer	33	21	12
10	Information and Communication Technology Assistant III	01	01	00
Accounts Division				
11	Unit Head (M.A.1)	01	00	01
12	Public Management Assistant	05	04	01
Audit Division				
13	Public Management Assistant	01	01	00
Other				
14	Driver	02	01	01
15	Karyala Karya Sahayaka	03	01	02
16	Bungallow Keeper	01	01	00
17	Office Labourer	01	01	00
Toral Staff		66	40	26

Development Division

The role of the Development Division is planning of projects in order to achieve the objectives of the Department utilizing funds received by the Department from the allocations of General Treasury and funds from other sources, reporting the progress organizing and coordinating activities which are implemented relevant to enhance social and religious upliftment and projects implemented with funds which are received centering religious places and providing necessary funds to the projects implemented at divisional and district level and reviewing the progress.

The Development Division performs the above role in the following manner .

1. Carrying out development activities at national religious places declared by Catholic Church and Pilgrimages Ordinance.
2. Granting funds for annual church feasts at public religious places.
3. Granting funds for reconstruction of Christian churches which are maintained amidst severe economic problems and which are more than hundred years old.
4. Providing aids for reconstruction and development activities at Christian churches for which economic assistance has become dire necessity.
5. Enhancement of Christian religious education and evaluation of the services of Christian Daham School Teachers.
6. Promotion of Christian religious ,litreature and arts.
7. Making contribution for Christmas festival highly respected by Christians.
8. Making contribution for Easter programs which is highly adored by Christian community
9. Organization of ceremonies which are important at national as well as religious aspects.
10. Implementation programs with the objective of improving Christian community through spiritual andpersonality

Accounts Division

The role of the accounts Division is to perform and direct accurately the financial responsibility which is the final process of all the tasks performed by Establishments Division and Development Division under the supervision of Director and Accountant of the Department

The above role is performed in the following manner .

- 01 To receive vouchers connecting to all payments, confirm the accuracy in figures, examine as to whether the source documents relevant to voucher are received in sufficient manner, confirm as to whether the proper authority has been received for payment within financial regulations and various limits and finally to submit for certifying the expense.
- 02 To maintain cash book for the purpose of making payments accurately including certified vouchers in the cash books and issuing cheques.
- 03 To carry out activities relating to preparation of salaries and maintain documents for salary deductions.
- 04 To prepare annual appropriate account as per the instructions of the relevant circular and prepare answers for audit queries.
- 05 To maintain petti cash advances and petti cash book including bank transactions. To maintain cash box ensuring the daily cash balance.
- 06 To maintain stores. To issue and receive goods and maintain necessary documents.
- 07 To prepare annual estimates and collect data in respect of relevant parties.
- 08 To maintain expenditure ledger. To reconcile the actual expenditure with the provisions of budget from time to time and transfer allocations as per Financial Regulations 56 if provisions are not sufficient for the coming period. To take action to transfer and obtain additional provisions.
- 09 To maintain general deposit account and take action to send monthly accounts reports before due date.
- 10 To check Treasury printed reports, prepare and send the monthly application for imprest to the General Treasury before due date.
- 11 To carry out all procurement activities and call tenders. To hand over inventoried goods purchased in the above manner to the officer in charge of the subject and to prepare vouchers and submit them for payment.
- 12 To remit stamp charges and withholding tax recovered when making payments to the Department of Inland Revenue before due date.
- 13 To prepare monthly bank reconciliation statement.
- 14 To transfer allocations to external government institutions and take action to account relevant credit notices.

Building of the Department of Christian Religious Affairs

The premises at No 155/10, Castle Street, Colombo 08 has been obtained on monthly rental of Rs. 185,000.000 based on the estimate provided by the Department of Valuation for a period of two years from 08.01.2018 up to 07.01.2020 on the approval of the Secretary of the Ministry of Tourism Development and Christian Religious Development and the Tender board

During year 2017 opportunities have been provided to the staff of the Department for training courses in the following manner .

Serial No	Programme	Date	Officers who participated	Amount
1	Procurement	2017/02/27 -28	M.P.P.S. Pinto	8,500.00
			K.G.N.Hansika	8,500.00
2	Training programme for officers in Grade III in Sri Lanka Administrative Service	2017/04/03 - September	M.C.N.Pinto	(Free of charge)
3	Computer Government Payroll System	15/05/2017-17/05/2017	W.C.R.Fernando	16,500.00
			P.D.S.M.Jayasena	16,500.00
4	Training on Tamil language	105 hours	Officers of the Department	122,400.00
5	E government concept and application of information technology in office management	2017/07/03 - 2017/07/04	M.A.U.D.Nishani	8,500.00
6	Office Management and Office Systems		M.A.S.D.Costa	8,500.00
			W.S.K.P.Fernando	8,500.00
7	Skills on public finance and accounts	2017/08/16-17	M.H.D.Renuka	11,500.00
8	Project Management	2017/09/18-19	M.G.D.Nitrmalin	8,500.00
			W.S.K.P.Fernando	8,500.00
9	Minimizing the audit queries made against government institutions	2017/09/21-22	P.A.S.L.Munidasa	8,500.00
			K.A.S.L.kelepitiya	8,500.00
10	Training programme for management auditors	2017/12/18-19	M.D.H.Renuka	(Free of charge)
Total amount				243,400.00

Chapter Two

Carrying out development activities at national
religious places
Declared by Catholic Church and Pilgrimages
Ordinance

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Carrying out development activities at national religious places declared by Catholic and Christian Churches and Pilgrimages Ordinance.

Under the chapter “Let us build our country” of Government policy manifesto, a pledge has been given to develop infrastructure facilities for the benefit of pilgrims who visit Christian places of worship considering it as a policy. A large number of special projects have been commenced since year 2006 by the Department of Christian Religious Affairs under the guidance of Hon. Minister of Religious Affairs making that pledge a reality.

Accordingly, as the first project, the wiring system of St. Anthony’s Church, Wasalakotte (Wahakotte) which was in a poor condition in Divisional Secretary’s Division, Galewela in Matale district has been renovated spending an allocation of Rs. 725,195.00. In the meantime, an allocation of Rs. 1,388,800.00 has been spent in the same year to construct a building for accommodation for officers and pilgrims at St. Anne’s Church situated in Divisional Secretary’s Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district.

A project for portable water has been completed and opened for the benefit of general public spending Rs. 286,787.00 in order to satisfy the necessities of pilgrims who visit Kalvary Center belonging to St. Anne’s Church, Hiniduma in Divisional Secretary’s Division, Thawalama in Galle district.

Concurrently to the above project, another project for portable water with a water tower has been constructed spending Rs. 713,000.00 at St. Joseph’s Church in the Divisional Secretary’s Division, Medawachchiya in Anuradhapura district for the benefit of pilgrims who stay there on their way to Madu Church.

The first phase of the resting hall at St. Anne’s Church at Thalawila in the Divisional Secretary’s Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district has been completed in 2007 spending an allocation of Rs. 4,834,400.00 in order to provide accommodation facilities for the pilgrims. In the same year, the roof of the historical church at St. Anne’s Church in Wasalakotte in Divisional Secretary’s Division, Galewela in Matale district, which was in dilapidated condition has also been reconstructed spending an allocation of Rs. 1,175,000.00. In the meantime, the first phase for supplying three phased electricity system for the benefit of pilgrims who visit Kalvary Center, Hiniduma in Divisional Secretary’s Division, Thawalama in Galle district has also been completed spending an allocation of Rs. 497,000.00.

The three phase electrical system has been concluded spending Rs. 1,000,000.00 under phase two and spending Rs. 1,497,000.000 under two phases by the project for supply of electricity to Kalvary Center, Hiniduma in Thawalama Divisional Secretary’s Division in Galle District, which was launched in year 2008. The phase two of the construction of resting hall for pilgrims at St. Anne’s Church, Thalawila, which was commenced in year 2007, has been completed spending Rs. 3,255,000.00 and the building was handed over to Church.

Phase one of the resting hall at St. Anne’s Church, Kattimahana situated in the Divisional Secretary’s Division, Udubaddawa in Kurunegala district has been commenced spending Rs. 1,200,000.00 under the programme for special projects in 2008. Concurrently to the above, the phase one of the resting hall at the

Church of Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta in Divisional Secretary's Division, Polpithigama in Kurunegala district has also been commenced spending Rs. 5,055,398.53 for the benefit of pilgrims who visit the church.

Two special projects have been commenced related to religious places declared under the Pilgrimages Ordinance in year 2009.

Accordingly, a water tower has been constructed at St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana situated in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Udubaddawa in Kurunegala district related to the project for portable water in year 2006 for the benefit of the pilgrims who visit the church and phase one commenced spending Rs. 1,200,000.00 in 2008 for improving accommodation facilities to the priests who visit the church has been completed. Rs. 3,400,000.00 has been spent for phase two of the above and accordingly total project was completed spending Rs. 4,600,000.00. Further, phase one of the above project has been commenced granting Rs. 505,398.00 in 2008 under the project for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit Church of Holly Mother of Rosary situated in Grama Niladhari Division No. 403, Morotta in Divisional Secretary's Division, Polpithigama in Kurunegala district. Phase three of the above has been completed in year 2009 with the provision of Rs. 1,000,000.00 and with the total expenditure of Rs. 1,505,398.53. The Church was declared opened by Hon Pandu Bandaranayaka, Minister of Religious Affairs on 05th July, on which the feast of church was held and it was handed over to Most Rev. Raymond Peris, Bishop Emeritus of Kurunegala.

In year 2010, two projects have been commenced at religious places declared under the Pilgrimages Ordinance. In the meantime, phase

one for the improvement of accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anne's Church at Wasalakotte in Divisional Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district has been completed spending Rs. 1,625,000.00. The project for repairing sanitary facilities for the pilgrims who visit Kalvary Center, Hiniduma in Divisional Secretary's Division, Thawalama has been concluded spending Rs. 2,500,000.00.

Five projects have been commenced in 2011 under the development activities of the religious places declared under the Pilgrimages Ordinance and declared by the Catholic and Christian Churches. An allocation of Rs. 2,250,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Puttalam for the construction of a building for accommodation in order to improve the accommodation facilities of the pilgrims who visit St. Anne's Church, Thalawila belonging to the Divisional Secretary's Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalm district and phase one of this project has been completed. An allocation of Rs. 2,250,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Mannar to implement the project which contains water supply facilities, 02 lavatories and resting hall consisting of 03 housing units in order to provide infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who visit Maranda Madu Church, national place of worship in Divisional Secretary's Division, Mannar in Mannar district. This project has been completed. An allocation of Rs. 1,000,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Kurunegala to carry out for phase one of the project for reconstruction of Mahagalgamuwa Church where St. Joseph Vass resided in Divisional Secretary's Division Galgamuwa in Kurunegala district. An allocation of Rs. 1,000,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Matale to carry out phase two of the project for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anthony's Church Wasalakotte in the Divisional

Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district. Further, an allocation of Rs. 1,000,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Gampaha to carry out phase one of the project for reconstruction of Methodist Church, Pethiyagoda in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Minuwangoda in Gampaha district and accordingly the phase one of the project has been concluded.

Three projects have been commenced in 2012 under "Carrying out development activities at national religious places declared by Catholic and Christian Churches and Pilgrimages Ordinance" Accordingly an allocation of Rs. 855,400.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Puttalam to improve accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anne's Church, Thalawila in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district.

In the mean time an allocation of Rs. 1,183,000.00 has been granted to District Secretary, Matale to carry out phase III of the project for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district. Further an allocation of Rs. 2.093 million has been granted to District Secretary, Mannar to improve infrastructure facilities for pilgrims who visit Maranda Madu Church, national place of worship during the period of annual feast.

Three projects have been commenced in 2013 under the development activities of the religious places declared under the Pilgrimages Ordinance and declared by the Catholic and Christian Churches. An allocation of Rs. 5,000,000.00 (Five Million only) has been granted to District Secretary, Puttalam to improve accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anne's

Church, Thalawila in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district. In the mean time an allocation of Rs. 1,300,000.00 (1.3 million only) has been granted to District Secretary, Matale to carry out phase IV of the project for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district. Further an allocation of Rs. 2.5 million has been granted to District Secretary, Mannar to improve infrastructure facilities for pilgrims who visit Maranda Madu Church, national place of worship during the period of annual feast. Accordingly, action is being taken to provide necessary infrastructure facilities for pilgrims.

During year 2014, an allocation of Rs. 4,000,000.00 (Rs. Four million only) has been granted to District Secretary, Puttalam to improve accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anne's Church, Thalawila in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district. An allocation of Rs. 1,200,000.00 (Rs. 1.2 million) has been granted to District Secretary, Matale for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district. Further an allocation of Rs. 2.2 million has been granted to District Secretary, Mannar to improve infrastructure facilities for pilgrims who visit Maranda Madu Church, national place of worship during the period of annual feast. Accordingly, action has been taken to provide necessary infrastructure facilities for pilgrims.

During year 2015, an allocation of Rs. 1,300,000.00 (Rs. 1.3 million only) has been granted to District Secretary, Puttalam in order to construct the vehicle park under the

improvement of accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anne's Church, Thalawila in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Kalpitiya in Puttalam district. An allocation of Rs. 1,300,000.00 (Rs. 1.3 million) has been granted to District Secretary, Matale for improving accommodation facilities for pilgrims who visit St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte in the Divisional Secretary's Division, Galewela in Matale district. Further an allocation of Rs. 1.4 million has been granted to District Secretary, Mannar to improve infrastructure facilities for pilgrims who visit Maranda Madu Church, national place of worship during the period of annual feast. In the meantime an allocation of Rs. 1,000,000.00 has been granted for parish house of Methodist Church, Point Pedro which belongs to Methodist Church. Accordingly, action has been taken to provide necessary infrastructure facilities for pilgrims.

In year 2016 an allocation of Rs. 999,986,.57 has been granted to enhance the facilities required by the devotees who visit St. Anne's Church ,Thalawila.

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This year an amount of Rs. 613,000.00 has been granted to reimburse the amount for bills relating to year 2016 at St. Ann's Church, Thalawila An amount of Rs. 727,000.00 has been granted to enhance the infrastructure facilities for the convenience of devotees of St. Anthony's church, Wasalakotte. An amount of Rs. 2,128,305.20 has been issued to District Secretariat, Mannar for the construction of a residence belonging to the Department at Madu Church in order to make accommodation facilities for the officers of the Department and other officers who visit the Church on official purposes. Further an arreas of allocation of Rs. 118,667.69 has been granted for the enhancement of the Church at Wasalakotte

Chapter Three

Granting funds for annual church feasts at public
religious places

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Making contribution for feasts at public churches declared by Pilgrimages Ordinance and Catholic Church .

With a view to make the concepts in page 01 of policy manifesto of the Government i.e. “My firm resolve is to ensure that children of all religions would be able to obtain an education in keeping with their religious beliefs” and “Preserve our pride of the past for future’ in the chapter “Let us build our country” a reality for the Christian culture, which the government considers as its prime responsibility, the contribution has been made in year 2011 for feasts at places of worship declared by Pilgrimages Ordinance and Catholic Church.

Since 1998 it has commenced to make financial contribution for feasts at public places of worship declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance and accordingly an amount of Rs. 200,000 has been granted to the Kalvary Center, Hiniduma. However, financial contributions were not made to the places of worship in 1999, but an amount of Rs. 25,000/- has been granted in year 2000 to the Church of Our Lady, Matara. Further, an amount of Rs. 80,000/- has been granted in 2001 only to Kalvary Center, Hiniduma and Church of Our Lady, Matara.

In year 2002, Rs. 300,000/- and Rs. 50,000/- have been granted to St. Anne’s Church, Thalawila and Church of Our Lady, Matara respectively. Accordingly, the total of Rs. 350,000/- has been granted in the above year. Further, Rs. 150,000/- has been granted in 2003 only for the use of St. Anne’s Church, Thalawila. In 2003, the number of churches for granting financial contribution has been increased and accordingly an amount of Rs. 360,000/- has been distributed among Church of Madu, Mannar, St.

Anne’s Church, Kattimahana, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta and Church of Our Lady, Matara for conducting annual feast.

In year 2005, the limit of financial aids provided for annual feasts of churches has been increased by 25%. Accordingly, the amount to be granted reached up to Rs. 443,633/- and this amount has been distributed among Church of Madu, Mannar, St. Anne’s Church, Thalawila, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, St. Anne’s Church, Wahakotte and Church of Our Lady, Matara.

Allocation for feasts at churches was done in an irregular manner from year 1998 up to 2005. Further, such contribution was made only to limited number of churches. However, this methodology has been regularized since year 2006 and accordingly such financial allocations were made based on the requests and on fair grounds covering more churches. Under this system, financial grants were made based on the number of pilgrims attended to feasts. In 2006, seven annual feasts at churches were selected for granting financial aids. These grants were used for the provision of infrastructure facilities required by pilgrims.

Accordingly, an amount of Rs. 1,211,189/- has been granted for annual Easter Feast at St. Anne’s Church, Thalawila and for annual feasts at St. Anne’s Church, Kattimahana, St. Anthony’s Church, Wahakotte, Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, Basilica of Our Lady,

Ragama Thewatta, Calvary Center, Mawathagama and Church of Our Lady, Matara.

The allocation made in 2007 for the churches declared under the Pilgrimages Ordinance was limited to Rs. 900,000/-. That amount has been distributed among St. Anne's Church, Thalawila (For feasts in March and August) and churches in Kattimahana, Wahakotte, Morotta and Matara. In year 2008, the limit of allocation could be increased by 75.9% comparing with the limit of 2007. That allocation has been distributed for nine feasts. The amount spent was Rs. 1,583,540/-.

The limit of allocation for the provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who visit churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance has been increased by 78.83% in 2009 comparing with year 2008. That amount has been distributed among ten churches depending on the requests and the necessity. Further, the special feast at the historic national place of worship Maranda Madu, which is widely respected by the Christians of all over the world, was conducted glamorously under the sponsorship of government. Since that fest was conducted

under government sponsorship, it was a very special event a grant of Rs. 1,000,000/- was made. Accordingly, the total amount provided for the provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance was Rs. 2,831,919/- in year 2009.

The total amount provided for the provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance was Rs. 2,700,000/- in year 2010.

The amount of Rs. 5,048,229.15 allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance in 2011 has been distributed among churches.

The amount of Rs4,982,811.68 allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance in 2012 has been distributed among St. Anne's Church, Thalawila for March feast, annual feast, Calvary Center at St. Anne's Church, Hiniduma for Lenten, Calvary Center, Mawathagama, St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte, Kalvary Center, Maggona, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, Church of Madu, Mannar, St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana, St. Joseph Vass Church at Joseph Vasspura, Galgamuwa, National Basilica, Ragama Thewatta and Matara for annual feasts.

The amount of Rs 4,995,000.00 allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance in 2013 has been distributed among St. Anne's Church, Thalawila for March feast, annual feast Calvary Center at St. Anne's Church, Hiniduma for Lenten, Kalvary Center, Mawathagama, St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte, Calvary Center, Maggona, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, Church of Madu, Mannar, for annual feasts, St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana, St. Joseph Vass Church at Joseph Vasspura, Galgamuwa, National Basilica, Ragama Thewatta, Holy Cros Church, Marawila, Church of our God Lady of Good Voyage, Jaffna and Church of Our Lady, Matara for annual feasts.

The amount of Rs 4,750,000.00 allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance in 2014 has been distributed among St. Anne's Church, Thalawila for March feast, annual feast Kalvary Center at St. Anne's Church, Hiniduma for Lenten, The amount of Rs 5,764,626.15 allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities to the pilgrims who participated in the feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance in 2015 has been distributed among St. Anne's Church, Thalawila for March feast, annual feast Kalvary Center at St. Anne's Church, Hiniduma for Lenten, Calvary Center, Mawathagama, St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte, Calvary Center, Maggona, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, Church of Madu, Mannar, St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana, National Basilica, Ragama Thewatta, Holy Cros Church, Marawila, St. Anthony's Church, Periyakadawu, St. Anthony's Church, Kachchathivu, and Church of Our Lady,

Matara for annual feasts Calvary Center, Mawathagama, St. Anthony's Church, Wasalakotte, Calvary Center, Maggona, Church of Our Holy Mother of Rosary, Morotta, Church of Madu, Mannar, St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana, National Basilica, Ragama Thewatta, Holy Cros Church, Marawila, Church of our God Lady of Good Voyage, Jaffna and Church of Our Lady, Matara for annual feasts.

An amount of Rs. 6,000,000.00, which has been allocated for provision of infrastructure facilities for pilgrims, has been delivered among Churches at wasalakotte, Thalawila, Madu, Kachchathivu, Hiniduma, Moroththa, Jaffna, Marawila, Matara and Kalvary Centers at Maggona, Mawathagama, Hiniduma.

An amount of Rs. 6,886,309.20 has been granted for 15 churches for holding annual feasts at Churches published under Pilgrimages Ordinance in year 2017.

Provision of infrastructure facilities for pilgrims who attend the annual feasts held at public religious places declared by Pilgrimages Ordinance and Catholic Church 2017

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	Diocese	Church	Programme	Amount Rs.
1	Kurunegala	St. Joseph Vass Church Mahagalagamuwa	Annual Feats	600,000.00
2	Galle	Kalvary Center, Hiniduma	Feast of March and April	300,000.00
3	Kurunegala	Kalvary Center, Mawathragama	Feast of March and April	200,000.00
4	Colombo	Kalvary Center, Maggona	Feast of March and April	150,000.00
5	Chilaw	St. Anne's Church, Thalawila	Feast of August and March	1,117,625.20
6	Kandy	St. Anthony's Church , Wasalakotte	Feast of June	849,999.00
8	Kurunegala	Church of the Mother of Rosary, Moroththa	Feast of July	200,000.00
9	Mannar	Historicla Marada Madu Church	Feast of July and August	2,000,000.00
11	Kurunegala	St. Annes Church, Kattimahana	Feast of August	320,000.00
13	Colombo	Basilica of our Lady of Lanka, Thewaththa	Annual Feast	498,685.00
14	Galle	The Shrine of Our Lady of Matara	Annual Feast	550,000.00
15	Chilaw	Holy Cross Church , Marawila	Annual Feast	100,000.00
Total amount				6,886,309.20

Chapter Four

Development Assistance

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Development Assistane 203-02-01-2202

Financial assistance is provided under this programme for the reconstructions, new constructions and development of Churches, Sunday Schools and Religious Centers. Main objective of this measure is to provide facilities for the devotees in Christian faith.

	Diocese	Description	Amount granted Rs.
1	Kandy	Digital printing machine and computer system for the National Seminary of Our Lady of Lanka, Ampitiya	170,000.00
2		Construction of Sunday School building at Church of the Sacred Heart in Rattota parish	200,000.00
3	Badulla	For the purchase of 25 mattresses for Holy Family Convent , Bandarawela	118,350.00
4	Colombo	For the purchase of necessary items for the Center Arts and Architecture at Thammita, Negambo.	300,000.00
5		Making of the flag post of St. Theresa Church	50,000.00
6		Modification of the electrical system at Dahama Sevena Seminary, Kalutara	1,000,000.00
7		For the supply of desks and chairs for Sunday School at Dambaduraya	85,000.00
8		For obtaining an electric organ for the Church of Holy Mother of God, kiumbulapitiya	200,000.00
9		Obtaining desks and chairs for the St.Mary's Sunday School. Uswetakeyyawa	100,000.00
10	Rathnapura	Obtaining equipments for the St.Mary's Sunday School, Thanjanthenna	67,830.00
11		Provision of a computer system for the Center for Youth Affairs at Rathnapura Diocese	103,000.00
12	Kurunegala	Provision of a water tank for St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana	69,000.00
13	Anuradhapura	Construction of the building of St. Joseph's Sunday School at Medawachchiya	200,000.00
14	Trincomalee	For the construction of religious conference hall belonging to Trincomalee Diocese	1,900,000.00
15	Other Churches	For flag posts at St. Luke Church	36,450.00
Total amount			4,599,630.00

Development Assistants - Janapathi Nila Mehewara

In addition to the above, grants have been provided by the programme ‘Janapathi Nila Mehewara’ under the vote ‘Development Assistants’ to purchase items and equipment such as desks, cupboards, chairs etc. for 10 Sunday Schools in Kurunegala Diocese, 20 Sunday Schools in Jaffna Diocese, 09 Sunday Schools in Mannar Diocese, 15 Sunday Schools in Trincomalee Diocese.

Serial Number	Diocese	Description	Amount
1	Kurunegala	Sacred Heart Sunday School, Melsiripura	50,000
2		Our Lady of Sorrow Sunday School. mawathagama	50,000
3		Christ the King Sunday School, Hindagolla	50,000
4		Our Lady of Rosary Sunday school, Kadigawa	50,000
5		St. Joseph Vaas Sunday School, Dunakayawaththa	50,000
6		Our Lady of Fatima Sunday School, Yayamulla	50,000
7		Holy Family Sunday School, Mandakondana	50,000
8		Our Lady of Good Health Sunday School, Karawwewa	50,000
9		St. Joseph Sunday School, Prasannagama	50,000
10		St. Joseph Sunday School, Wariyapola	50,000
11	Jaffna	St. Mary’s Sunday School, Wanerikulam	50,000
12		St. Anthony’s Sunday school, Kumulamuni	50,000
13		St. Rogus Sunday School, Wattakachchi	50,000
14		St. Anthony’s Sunday School, Paranthan	50,000
15		St. Sebastian Sunday School, Killinochchi	50,000
16		St. Anne’s Sunday School, Walipadu	50,000
17		St. Anthony’s Sunday School, Palikuda	50,000
18		Our Lady of Rosary Sunday School, Iranaman	50,000
19		St. Fatima Sunday School, Urathipuram	50,000
20		Infant Jesus Sunday School, Udupukkalam	50,000
21		St. Joseph Sunday School, Kulamurippu	50,000
22		St. Sebastian Sunday School, Iranaipali	50,000
23		Our Lady’s Sunday School. Kokilai	50,000
24		St. Joseph’s Sunday school, Kulamurippu	50,000
25		St. Jude Sunday School, Mullaitvu	50,000

26		St. Joseph Sunday School, Vishwamadu	50,000
27		Infant Jesus Sunday School, Ambalpuram	50,000
28		St. Mary's Sunday School, Palali	50,000
29		Our Lady's Sunday School, Welankanni	50,000
30		St Sebastian Sunday School, Palainagar	50,000
31	Mannar	St. Francis Xavier Sunday School,	50,000
32		St. Joseph's Sunday School, Murukkan	50,000
33		St. Anthony's Sunday School, Siruthoppu	50,000
34		Our Lady of Carmel Sunday School, Parappakandal	50,000
35		Our Lady of Perpetual Health Sunday School, Neriyakulam	50,000
36		St. Anthony's Sunday School, Vavuniya	50,000
37		Our Lady of Sorrow Sunday School, Adampan	50,000
38		St. Sebastian Sunday School, Kaddaikadu	50,000
39		Our Lady of Lords Sunday School, Manthai	50,000
40		Trincomalee	Our Lady of Lords Sunday School
41	St John the Baptist Sunday School,		30,000
42	Christ the King Sunday School		30,000
43	Our Lady of Rosary Sunday School,		30,000
44	Our Lady of Perpetual Health Sunday School		30,000
45	St. Joseph Sunday School		30,000
46	Dayakarunawe Sunday School		30,000
47	Our Lady of Lords Sunday school		30,000
48	Scred Heart Sunday School		30,000
49	Infant Jesus Sunday School		30,000
50	St. Anthony's Sunday School		30,000
51	St. Mary's Sunday School		30,000
52	Our Lady of Good Health Sunday School		30,000
53	St. Anthony's Sunday School		30,000
54	Sunday School, Guwadalupe	30,000	
Total amount			2,400,000

Chapter Five

**Granting funds for the development and
reconstruction
of Christian churches and religious centers which
require financial assistance**

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Granting funds for the development and reconstruction of Christian churches and religious centers which require financial assistance

Under this programme, financial assistance is granted for minor scale reconstructions at churches and religious centers which are facing financial difficulties

● Aids for churches. Vote :203-02-01-1508

	Diocese	Church	Programme	Amount(Rs)
1	Chilaw	St. Anne's Church Thalawila	Live boardcast of the Feast	49,975.00
2	Colombo	St. Lucia's Cathedral, Kotahena	Mass in Latin language	1,000,000.00
3		Church of Our Lardy of Carmel, Hendala	Color washing of the church	300,000.00
4	Jaffna	St. Anthony's Church, Kachchativu	Feast	1,500,000.00
5		St. Anthony's Church, Palitivu		50,000.00
6		Sinnamadu Church		200,000.00
7	Chilaw	St. Anne's Church Thalawila	Feast	118,500.00
8	Galle	Weligama Church	Feast	350,000.00
9	Chilaw	Pallekandl Church	Feast	46,139.00
Grand Total				3,614,614.00

Chapter Six

Constructions and rehabilitation works
at Churches and development of infrastructure
facilities

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Constructions and rehabilitation works at Churches and development of infrastructure facilities

203-02-01-10-2502

Serial No	Diocese	Description	Amount granted
1	Colombo	Repairing the roof and celing of the Church of Our Ldy of Perpetual health, Balagala, Wattala	500,000
2		Repairing of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrow , Panadura	100,000
3		Repairing the roof of St. Sebestian's Church, Marandagahamula	93,950
4		Construction of the parish priest's house of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrow, Ja Ela.	500,000
5		Purchasing of a generator for the St. Joseph Vass Church, Pamunuwila in Dalugama parish	500,000
6		Repairing the roof of St. Anthony's Church Kalamulla, Kalutara	300,000
7		For the purchase of an electric organ for St. Lasares Church , Hunupitiya, Negambo	87,000
8		Development activities of St. Anthony's Church, Dalupatha , Negambo	200,000
9		For the constructions of Holy Angels Convent, Kurukulawa, Ragama	200,000
10		Modification of St. Mary's Church, Bolawalana Negambo	200,000
11		Placing an icon at Mental Health Institution, Angoda	250,000
12		Reconstruction of ancient Dominican Convent at Rathmaldeniya, Pannipitiya	515,833.87
13		Reconstructions of Sisters of the Blessed Virgin convent	500,000
14		Reconstruction of the Church of Our Lady of Rosary, Meerigima	500,000
15		Reconstruction of St. Theresa Church, Batepola, Divulapitiya	300,000
16		Reconstruction of Holy Cross Convent	500,000

17		Reconstruction of the Church of Our Lady of Rosary, Badalgama	400,000
18		Reconstruction of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrow, Pallansena	250,000
19	Chilaw	Modification of St. Jude Church, Deduruoya	198,000
20		Modification of St. Anthony's Church, Mellawa	500,000
21		Modification of St. Sebastian's Church, Kammalawella	500,000
22		Reconstruction of the upper cover of the cave of the Mother of Lords connected to the Church of Our Lady of Sindrathi, Waikkala where the mass of Good Friday is held	500,000
23		Reconstruction of St. Benedict Church, Kanjukuliya	466,400
24		Reconstruction of St. Sebastian Church, Godella , Dankotuwa	500,000
25		Reconstruction of St. Theresa's Church, Thalwila	500,000
26	Badulla	Constructoion of the wall of the premises of Church of the Sacred Heart at Hanifa Estate	277,500
27		Construction of Parish hall in Robery estate, Madolsima	1,000,000
28	Galle	Repairing the building at Carmalite Convent , Kalegana	200,000
29	Other churches	Reconstruction of the residence of Methodist Priest , Point Pedro	500,000
30		Reconstruction of the residence of Methodist Priest , Point Pedro	500,000
31		Reconstruction of Dutch Reformed Church , Galle	1,200,000
32		Reconstruction of the Church of the Christ of Church of Ceylon, Thalawa	700,000
33		Reconstruction of Methodist Church, Mandur	500,000
34	Mannar	Supply of electricity for the St. Joseph's Church , Kanthankulam, Mannar	382,400
35		Reconstruction of St. Joseph's Church	100,000

36	Anuradhapura	Purchasing a generator for the Church at Maduruoya	500,000
37		Reconstruction of Nirmalee Church, Polonnaruwa	500,000
38	Rathnapura	Reconstruction of St. Snthoney's Church, Dehiowita	800,000
39	Kurunegala	Reconstruction of Philipnery Church, Metiyagane	500,000
40		Construction of the tower to place water tank at St. Anne's Church, Kattimahana	323222.57
41		Repairing the Church of Infant Jesus, Mahakanda	200,000
42		Construction of the altar of the Church of Our Lady of Lords, Bogawanthalawa	150,000
43		Repairing the residence of the priest, Gampola	150,000
44		Rebuilding of St. Jude's Church , Keliwaththa	300,000
45		St. Joseph's Jumnior Seminary, Kandy	300,000
46		Repairing St. Mary's Church, Bingiriya	150,000
47	Kandy	Repairing St. Anthoney's Church, Atabage	163,640
48		Financial grant for the construction of St. Patric's Church, Thalawakele	300,000
49		Repairing St. Paul's Church, Watwala	150,000
50		Repairing the Church of Our Lady of Rosary, Shannon Estate	150,000
51		Repairing the St. Joseph's Church in Lanondale estate	161,750
52		Repairing St. Sebastian's Church in Farelorn Estate , Maskeliya	200,000
53		Repairing St. Anthoney's Church in Gartmore estate, Maskeliya	400,000
54		Repairing the roof of the church of Our Lady of Good Counsel , Bogawanthalawa	180,000
Total amount			19,999,696.44

Chapter Seven

**Enhancement of Christian religious education and
evaluation
of the services of Christian Sunday School Teachers**

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

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Enhancement of Christian religious education and evaluation of the services of Christian Sunday School Teachers

The concept of the government is that the development of the country should be both in physical and spiritual aspects. With a view to make this concept a reality, programmes were implemented during 2017 in the following manner.

01. Providing uniforms for Daham School teachers.

With a view to enhance Sunday School education according to the policy of the Government, uniforms are provided to Sunday School teachers who are dedicated for the purpose.

Catholic and Christian Sunday teachers are spread in the following manner

Diocese	Number of clergy teachers	Number of male teachers	Number of female teachers	Total
Colombo	333	1152	4876	6361
Chillaw	109	355	2108	2572
Kurunegala	49	119	774	942
Kandy	81	99	648	828
Rathnapura	49	63	356	468
Anuradhapura	31	26	185	242
Badulla	54	18	209	281
Galle	62	24	142	228
Jaffna	86	127	1284	1497
Mannar	45	95	698	838
Batticaloa	49	72	432	553
Trincomalee	31	28	207	266
Total	979	2178	11919	15076

Number of clergy teachers	979
Number of male teachers	2178
Number of female teachers	11919
Total	15076

02. Granting the allowance of Rs. 2000/= to SundaySchool teachers for the purchase of library books

	Diocese	Number of Sunday School Teachers	Allowance for purchasing of library books (Rs.)
1	Colombo	6361	12,722,000.00
2	Chilaw	2572	5,144,000.00
3	Kurunegala	942	1,884,000.00
4	Kandy	8281	1,656,000.00
5	Rathnapura	468	936,000.00
6	Anuradhapura	242	484,000.00
7	Badulla	281	562,000.00
8	Galle	228	456,000.00
9	Jaffna	1497	2,994,000.00
10	Mannar	838	1,676,000.00
11	Batticaloa	553	1,106,000.00
12	Trincomalee	228	456,000.00
	Total	15076	30,575,000.00

03. Granting allowance of Rs. 3000/= to Sunday School teachers (Dehemi Diriya)

Government has taken action to grant this allowance of Rs. 3000/= in the name of “Dehemi Diriya” with a view to appreciate the service of Sunday School teachers as per the proposal of the Government

	Diocese/church	Number of teachers	Dehemi Diriya Amount(Rs.)
1	Colombo	6361	19,083,000.00
2	Chilaw	2572	7,716,000.00
3	Kurunegala	942	2,826,000.00
4	Kandy	828	2,484,000.00
5	Rathnapura	468	1,404,000.00
6	Anuradhapura	242	726,000.00
7	Badulla	281	843,000.00
8	Galle	228	684,000.00
9	Jaffna	1497	4,491,000.00
10	Mannar	838	2,514,000.00
11	Batticaloa	553	1,659,000.00
12	Trincomalee	228	684,000.00
	Total	15076	45,114,000.00

Conducting seminars and workshops for teachers and students of Sunday Schools in order to enhance Christian religious education

Contribution is made each year under the provisions allocated under this vote to various programmes organized with a view to enhance values of Christianity providing Daham knowledge to the Christian community.

For year 2017 contribution has been made for the programmes implemented with the intension to improve the lives whilst enhancing the knowledge of Christian teachers and students covering all over the Island, programmes at Catholic Dioceses levels, Deaneries and Sunday Schools levels, at Churches, and other institutions and in the meantime contribution has been given also to programmes organized at the level of Churches and institutions under traditional Christian churches belonging to National Christianity Board.

In Addition to the above, contribution has been made for the programmes such as rallies camps,

etc. with a view to enhance reconciliation and cooperation among students of Sunday schools and programmes organized by the Development Officers of our Department, who are serving attached to District secretariats and Divisional Secretariats, for Sunday School students and teachers of Catholic and Christian Sunday Schools within their areas.

Accordingly, action was taken to make contribution to maximum number of programmes considering the requests made for the purpose by Catholic Churches in each diocese and traditional Christian Churches affiliated to National Christian Board.

Activities of Daham Schools and religious educational workshops 2017

Dioocese / Institution	Programme	Amount granted for the programme (Rs)
Programmes at national level	National Catechetical and bible service programme	1,500, 000.00
	Sri Lanka Bible Society- Audio recording of the book Isaiah of Holy Bible	100,000.00
	Programmes for religious coexistence (With the Department of Buddhist Affairs)	4,000.00
Colombo	Seminar for G.C.E A/L students-Catholism (Sinhala Medium)	50,000.00

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	Seminar for G.C.E A/L students –Christian civilization	11,930.00
	Residence programme for Sunday Teachers	55,000.00
	Sunday school Teachers’ day	100,000.00
	Catholic teachers’ day	68,700.00
Kandy	Seminar for G.C.E A/L students	30,000.00
	Seminar for G.C.E O/L students at Wasalakotte church	13,500.00
Jaffna	Programmes for Sunday school Teachers of the Deaneries of Avland, Jaffna, Ilawalai, Point Pedro, Mullativu, Killinochchi,	44,000.00
Batticaloa	Conducting Seminar for G.C.E A/L students in April and May – Catholicism	30,000.00
Kurunegala	Training programme for new Sunday school Teachers –Phase I (Residential)	22,000.00
	Training programme for new Sunday school Teachers –Phase II (Residential)	22,000.00
	Programme for enhancement of knowledge on Holy Bible	15,00 .00
	Programme for students who do not learn the subject of religion	10,000.00
Chilaw (Catechetical)	Training programme for new Sunday school Teachers of Deaneries of Bolawalana, Wennappuwa, Puttalam, Chilaw	31,432.00
	Seminar for Dharmacharya –Phase I	8,000.00
Badulla	Seminar for Dharmacharya –Phase II	17,500.00
	Seminar for Dharmacharya –Phase II	10,000.00
	Seminar for G.C.E O/L students	60,000.00
	Seminars for G.C.E A/L students (02) -Catholicism (Sinhala Medium)	40,000.00
Rathnapura	Dharmadutha Rally and evaluation programme	35,000.00
	Seminar for G.C.E O/L students	30,000.00
Galle	Seminar for G.C.E A/L students -Catholicism (Tamil Medium)	20,020.00
	Seminar for G.C.E O/L students	40,000.00
Christian Churches	Camp for Sunday school students –Baptist Church	150,000.00
Christmas programmes	Island wide Christmas programmes at Sunday school s, Churches and institutions -17	1,041,000.00
		3,559,082.00
Total amount		

Programmes organized by the Development Officers of our Department, who are serving attached to District secretariats and Divisional Secretariats, for Daham School students and teachers of Catholic and Christian Daham Schools within their areas.

Serial No	Diocese	Name of the Development Officer and Divisional Secretariat	Programme	Amount	
1	Jaffna	Mrs. C.S Jebanesan, District Secretariat, Jaffna	Daham Education programme, Naranthanai	5000	194,945
2			Daham Education programme, Sinnamadu	5000	
3			Daham Education programme, Melichimunai	5000	
4			Daham Education programme, Mandthivu	5000	
5			Daham Education programme, Allappidi	5000	
6			Daham Education programme, Punguduthivu	5000	
7			Daham Education programme, Delft, For students	5000	
8			Daham Education programme, Delft- For Daham Teachers	5000	
9			Daham Education programme, Kyts- For Students	5000	
10			Daham Education programme, Kyts- For Daham Teachers	5000	
11		Mrs. Louris Mary, District Secretariat, Killonochchi	Daham Education programme, Skanthapuram	5000	
12			Daham Education programme, Wannerikulam	5000	
13			Daham Education programme,	5000	

			Killinochchi		
15		Mr. A.S.Sudhagar, District Secretariat, Killinochchi	Daham Education programme, Pallikuda	5000	
16			Daham Education programme, Walipadu	5000	
17			Daham Education programme, Kaudarimunai	5000	
18			Daham Education programme, Killinochchi	5000	
19			Daham Education programme, Kumulamunai	5000	
20			Daham Education programme, Punagari	5070	
21			Mrs. S. Agnas, District Secretariat, Mullativu	Daham Education programme, Kulamurippu, Oddusuddan	5000
22		Daham Education programme, Amathipuram		4940	
23		Daham Education programme, Therankandal		4965	
24		Daham Education programme, Palinagar		4965	
25		Daham Education programme, Puthukuduyirippu		5000	
26		Mrs. J.Y. Premnath, District Secretariat, Jaffna	Daham Education programme, Championpaththu	5000	
27			Daham Education programme, Manatkadu-For students	5000	
28			Daham Education programme, Manatkadu-For Daham Teagers	5000	
29			Daham Education programme, Mirusuwil-For students	5000	

30			Daham Education programme, Mirusuwil-For Daham Techers	5000		
31			Daham Education programme, ? Kudathanai	5000		
32			Daham Education programme, Point Pedro	5000		
33			Daham Education programme, Champianpaththu	5000		
34			Daham Education programme, Chawakachcheri	5000		
35			Daham Education programme, Nawatkuli	5000		
36		Mr. Jesudasan Jesuratnam, Divisional Secretariat Walikamam West, Chankanai	Daham Education programme, Manipai	5000		
37			Daham Education programme, Urumpirai	5000		
38			Daham Education programme,	5000		
39			Daham Education programme, Pandatharippu	5000		
40			Daham Education programme, Ilawalei	5005		
41	Mannar		Mrs. Jeen Marida, District Secretariat, Mannar	Daham Education programme, Rambekulam	5000	30,000
42				Daham Education programme, Santhipuram	5000	
43		Daham Education programme, Papamotei Parish		5000		
44		Daham Education programme, Siruthopu		5000		
45		Daham Education programme, Katkedanthankulam		5000		
46		Daham Education programme,		5000		

47	Batticaloa	Mrs. Rekha Joseph, District Secretariat, Batticaloa	Daham Education programme, Panichiyadi	6000	38,715
48			Daham Education programme, Thiramadu	5000	
49			Daham Education programme, Weechukalmunai	5915	
50			Daham Education programme, Periyakallar	7000	
51			Daham Education programme, Aythiyamalai	7000	
52			Daham Education programme,	7800	
53			Chilaw	Miss. S.S. Peters, Divisional Secretariat, Wennappuwa	
54	Daham Education programme, Waikkala	5000			
55	Daham Education programme,	5000			
56	Daham Education programme, Ambakandawila	5000			
57	Daham Education programme, Wennappuwa	5000			
58	Daham Education programme, Dummaladeniya	5000			
59	Daham Education programme, Ihala Katuneriya	5000			
60	Daham Education programme, Anamaduwa	5000			
61	Daham Education programme, Puttalam	5000			
62	Daham Education programme, Nainamadama	5000			
63	Mrs. W.N.Fernando, Divisional Secretariat, Dankotuwa	Daham Education programme, Thummodara			5000

64			Daham Education programme, Katuneriya	5000	
65			Daham Education programme, Dummalakotuwa	5000	
66			Daham Education programme, Godella	5000	
67			Daham Education programme, Gonawila	5000	
68			Daham Education programme, Mampuriya, Sethapola	5000	
69			Daham Education programme,	5000	
70			Daham Education programme, Naththandiya	5000	
71			Daham Education programme, Kumarakattuwa	5000	
72			Daham Education programme, Haldanduwana	5000	
73	Kandy	Mrs. M.G.D.N.D. Wijeratna, Divisional Secretariat, Galewela	Daham Education programme, Nikawehera	5000	25,050
74			Daham Education programme, Galewela	5000	
75			Daham Education programme, Rotawewa	5000	
76			Daham Education programme, Rattota	5000	
77			Daham Education programme, Wasalakotte	5050	
78	Kurunegala	Mrs. C.G.A.M. Wijeratna, Divisional Secretariat, Udubaddawa	Daham Education programme, Udubaddawa	5000	30,000
79			Daham Education programme, Daraluwa	5000	
80			Daham Education programme, Mandakondan	5000	

81			Daham Education programme, Kattimahana	5000	
82			Daham Education programme, ?Dunakadeniya	5000	
83			Daham Education programme, Dummalasuriya	5000	
84	Galle	Miss. Duleesha Nirmaleen, Divisional Secretariat, Niyagama	Daham Education programme, Ganegama	5000	21,915
85			Daham Education programme, Kurudugaha	5415	
86			Daham Education programme,	5500	
87			Daham Education programme, Halpatota	6000	
Total amount					



Training programmes for new Sunday school Teachers,



Daham Education programmes in Mannar by Development Officers

Chapter Eight

**Holding National Festival of Christian Literature
under the program for promotion
of Christian religion literature, arts and cultural
traditions**

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Holding National Festival of Christian Literature under the program for promotion of Christian religion literature, arts and cultural traditions

Under this all Island short drama competition was held for year 2017.

- Determination of rules and conditions of the competition

Rules and conditions for the competition have been prepared in consideration of the directions provided by the Rev. Fathers and other laymen who have wide knowledge and experience in such matters and assessing the weaknesses and plus points of the other drama competitions as well as the experience of the competitions held by the Department during last years. These conditions were prepared in Sinhala, English and Tamil languages.

- Designing the poster and publicity campaign

This drama competition consisted of different sections such as submission of drama scripts, conducting workshops, and staging selected dramas. First, applications were called from the applicants in Sinhala, Tamil and English media. For the publicity campaign, action has been taken to print and distribute posters on the drama competition. Nearly 2250 posters were delivered among churches, schools, seminaries and the churches affiliated to National Board of Christianity by Father

Directors of Youth Affairs, Education and Catechism. In addition to the above wide publicity campaign was launched through Christian newspapers.

- Submission of dramas

Accordingly 30 Sinhala medium, 21 Tamil medium and 01 English medium application were submitted for the competition. The closing date has been fixed as 15th June but it had to be extended up to 14th July due to the bad weather condition prevailed at that time. Accordingly numbers were given to all applications received (For Sinhala applications from S-1 to S 32, for Tamil applications from T-01 to T-21 and E-1 for English application.) Then the relevant groups were provided with rules and conditions of the drama competition. All groups then submitted their drama scripts under the given specific number. The closing date for the receipt of scripts was determined as 31st July. Accordingly 22, 07 and 01 scripts were submitted in Sinhala, Tamil and English languages respectively.

- Conducting workshops on dramas

Workshops were organized for the benefit of groups who submitted their scripts for the competition. Two workshops (one day) have

been conducted for a group consisted of nearly 75 participants in Sinhala medium. The responses of the participants were at highly satisfactory level. In the meantime two

workshops were conducted in Tamil medium in Mannar and Jaffna.



Workshops on Short Drama in Sinhala medium



Workshops on Short Drama in Tamil medium

● Supervision on Drama Scripts

Each drama script was evaluated and assessed separately by three veteran artists of Christian drama culture. Results of the evaluations were given under the reference number given to them and the identity of the group was not informed to the panel of judges. Results were issued under reference number.

● Staging dramas

An initial round was held in the evening of 06th October at Negambo and on 08th at Kelaniya for staging dramas in Sinhala medium of which the scripts were at optimum level and 08 dramas selected were submitted for the final round. No first round was held for dramas in Tamil medium and all the dramas (07) were submitted for final round. Since no sufficient number of dramas was submitted in English medium, a final round was not held in English medium. Final rounds of the drama competition were held at the auditorium of Pradeshiya Sabha, Gampaha and

the main hall of Bandaranayaka College, Gampaha and awarding ceremony was held at the auditorium of Holy Cross College on 28th October.. Since it was important to bring the religious values of the teachings of Christianity to the people in the correct context, and further it was expected to deliver the benefits of the programme among a wider community, and further the directions of Rev. Fathers with sound knowledge in the field are also important, through attention was paid in such matters.

The total expenditure of the Short Drama Competition on Holy Bible is Rs. 3,419,243. 50

In addition to the above, an amount of Rs. 120,000.00 was granted for the short film made by the Communication Center of Badulla Diocese and Rs. 423,523.00 has been spent for the competition on Christmas Carol held together with Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation.





Awarding ceremony of Short Drama Competition on Holy Bible

Chapter Nine

Conducting quiz competition
in order to enhance knowledge in Bible

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Conducting quiz competitions on knowledge on the Bible - 2016**203-02-01-1509-09**

Since it is necessary to enhance the knowledge of Christian children on Holy Bible, National quiz competition on Holy Bible has been held. With a view to enhance the knowledge of Christian children on Holy Bible the competitions were held only with the participation of students of Sunday schools consisting with the following events.

Quiz competition

Speech competition

Expenses for Quiz competition and Speech competition were borne by Vote No 203-02-01-09-1508. This competition, which was held under two age categories (Junior-grade 6,7,8,9

and senior-grade 10,11), was held in all three languages. It was held under two phases.

1. Competition at Diocese level
2. Competition at national level

Competition at Diocese level

Competitions at Diocese level were organized by Rev. Father Directors of Catechism. Syllabus was prepared by National Catechetical Center and competitions in all Dioceses were organized according to the syllabus. The group, which won first place at Diocese level, was selected for the competition at National level.

Expenses borne for competitions at diocese level

Diocese	Expenditures
Colombo	537,365.00
Chilaw	43,137.50
Badulla	142,970.00
Rathnapura	167,556.50
Kurunegala	71,680.00
Galle	118,200.00
Jaffna	97,980.00
Mannar	73,217.00
Trincomalee	56,100.00
Batticaloa	255,080.00
National Board on Christianity	206,875.00
Total expenditure	1,770,161.00

National Competition

Competition at national level on Holy Bible was held at Wesley College, Borella on 05th October 2017. This competition was held under two age categories i.e. junior and senior in Sinhala, Tamil and English languages. The groups/students who won at competition at Diocese level were qualified for national competition and accordingly 253 competed at National level.

Transport and accommodation facilities were provided to the students of all the Dioceses except those from Colombo. Accommodation facilities were provided to

students at Pensioners' Resort, Kelaniya, City Mission institute, Fort, Fatima Church, Maradana, John Paul Center, Maeliya, and Ja Ela. Competition was commenced with the registration at 7.00 a.m. There were 69 panels of judges for the competition held at 30 class rooms of the Wesley College and 52 assistants were provided to provide necessary assistance. Breakfast and lunch were provided to students, judges and assistants. The total amount spent for the competition at National level is Rs. 1,123,416/-.



Prize awarding

Prize awarding ceremony of all Island competition on Holy Bible and open Short Drama competition was held at Holy Cross College, Gampaha from 3.30 p.m. on 28th October 2017. The event was gloriously held under the patronage of Apostolic Nuncio to Sri Lanka for Holy See, His Eminence Piere Van Tot, and with the participation of His Eminence Maxwell Silva, Chairman of the National Catholic Commission on Catechetical service, His Eminence Noel Emmanuel, Bishop of Trincomalee and Hon Minister of Tourism

Development and Christian Religious Affairs.

Trophies, certificates and cash prizes were awarded to winners and the value of cash prizes was as follows.

For the group who won first place-Rs. 20,000.00

For the group who won second place-Rs. 15,000.00

For the group who won third place-Rs. 10,000.00



Chapter Ten

**Making contribution for Easter programs
which are highly adored by Christian community**

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Lenten and Easter Programmes 2017**203-02-01-1508-03**

Financial assistance was made for organization of various programmes at level of dioceses for spiritual enhancement of students and teachers of Daham Schools, teachers who teach Christian

religion, youths and leymen in order to inculcate religious values in their lives.

Contribution for conducting 20 Lenten Programmes at Churches with a view to make Easter and Lenten period more meaningful

	Diocese	Programme	Amount	Total
1	Jaffna	Lenten programme for youths and Daham teachers	110,200	110,200.00
3	Chilaw	Programme for Daham School teachers	93,000	168,000.00
4		Lenten drama, Wennappuwa	50,000	
5		Lenten drama, Dankotuwa	25,000	
6	Rathnapura	Programme for Daham School teachers	30,000	150,000.00
7		Programme for prefects	20,000	
8		Youth programme	50,000	
9		Lenten drama at Rambukkana	50,000	
10	Badulla	Programme for Daham School teachers	10,000	10,000.00
11	Kurunegala	Shepherdian center	40,000	70,000.00
12		Lenten drama	30,000	
13	Kandy	Programme for Daham School teachers	60,000	120,000.00
14		Lenten drama	20,000	
15		Psalm programme	40,000	
16	National	Easter Broadcasting programme	52,500	52,500.00

17	Galle	Programme for Daham School teachers	25,000	55,000.00
18		Easter drama	30,000	
19	Mannar	Youth programmes	28,000	28,000.00
20	National Christian Board	Easter programmes	50,000	50,000.00
Grand total				813,700.00



Lenten Drama, Kandy Diocese



Lenten Drama, Galle Diocese

- ◆ Supplement for Good Friday was distributed free of charge with Dinamina newspaper.
Expenditure=Rs.569,250.00
- ◆ Total expenditure for production and telecasting Lenten Drama in Tamil medium at national level (With Sinhala subtitles)=Rs..566 000.00

Chapter Eleven

**Making contribution for Christmas festival
highly respected by Christians
and organization of state Christmas festival**

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Christmas programme -2017

203-02-01-1508-04

Various programs are implemented joining with the people of all over the Island to celebrate the Christmas, birth of Jesus Christ, which is a ceremony highly adored by Christians. Accordingly contributions were made to the programmes of various institutions whilst organizing State Festival for Christmas and the event for issuing two special stamps and first day cover for Christmas, organizing an art competition for Christmas, and printing the Christmas card. Total expenditure of the Christmas festival is Rs. 63 million.

Art Competition on Christmas

This time the art competition has been held under two themes under two categories among 04 age groups.

First Category -

Theme - Christmas is the root for love

Age group – Below 10 years / between 11-15

Second category -

Theme - Samaritan Christmas

Age group - Between 16-20 / over 21 years

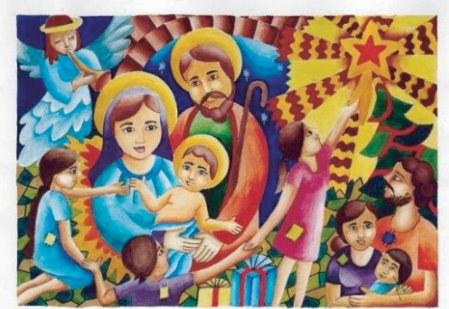
The panel of judges consisted of Rev Farther Director of Catholic and Mass media, an officer from stamps bureau and a designer of stamps. Nearly 1000 paintings have been submitted and two paintings out of these paintings have been selected for Christmas stamp. In the meantime paintings were selected also for the invitation for the ceremony to issue stamps and for the Christmas greetings card of the Department. Further winners for first, second and third places have been selected from each age group and they were awarded cash prizes along with certificates. Further action was taken to award a certificate for those who proved their talents.

Name of the winner	Place held at the competition
Eshaly Nesakya Ranawaka, Battaramulla	Christmas stamp
Vojitha Heshan Herath, Kurunegala	Christmas stamp
Chandira Tharan Luice , Udugampola	Christmas greeting card
Senaya D. De Silva, Nugegoda	Invitation of the ceremony for issuing Christmas stamp
Rashini Vidusha Devthilini , Wattala	Under- 10-First place
Shavini Ameesha Kariyawasam, Waga	Under- 10-Second place
Seja Devthilini Silva, Kaduwela	Under- 10-Third place

Helan LiyaRobinson, Wattala	Between 11-15-First place
Vinuki Hasithma De Siva, Wattala	Between 11-15-First place
Anne Randini Fernando, Wattala	Between 11-15-Third place
Dilmi Charuka Sirisoma, Melpitiya	Between 16-20- First place
Judith Nimanthika, Hettipola	Between 16-20- Second place
Keran Christina Grey, Gampola	Between 16-20- Third place
Dilrukshi Amila Jayasingha, Negambo	Over 21-First place
Roshel Melani Shivanthi, Hapugoda	Over 21-Second place
Paramee Rathnayaka, Dankotuwa	Over 21-Third place



Paintings selected for Christmas Stamp



Paintings which won first place under each category



Painting selected for the Christmas greeting card



Painting selected for the invitation of the ceremony for launching Christmas Stamp

Ceremony for launching Christmas stamp -2017 was held in a grand manner at St'. Anthony's Cathedral, Kandy in the morning of 26th November with the participation of religious and state leaders.

Expenditure of the Competition for paintings to design Christmas Stamp and ceremony to launch the stamp –Rs. 290,740.00

Total expenditure for the printing of Christmas Greeting Card issued by the Department-Rs..71, 106.75

All Island Christmas Carol competition

With a view to promote local Christian Songs and music , Island wide carol competition was organized concurrently to State Christmas Festival-2017 by the Department of Christian Religious Affairs joining with Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation in order to encourage Christians scattered all over the Island for writing of lyrics whilst brining forward their talents.

This competition was held in three languages i.e. Sinhala, Tamil and English and application were received from every part of the Island. First round for selection was held at Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation on 01st and 02nd December 2017. 04 groups were selected from

each medium by the aforesaid round to compete in the final round.

Final round and prize awarding ceremony for these groups were held at Ananda Samarakoon studio on 18th December 2017. This event was held under the auspicious of His Eminence Vincent Fernando, Archbishop and president of Bishops conference of Sri Lanka.

The programme was enriched with the performances of groups who were selected to the final round and singers and dancers who were invited for the occasion. At the end trophies and certificates were awarded to the groups which have won. Total expenditure of the programme is Rs.540,458.90.

◆ State Christmas Festival

State Christmas festival in 2017 was organized centering the Trincomalee Diocese and it was held ceremoniously on 16th December at Hindu Cultural Hall, Trincomalee under the auspicious of H.E. the President. Apostolic Nuncio to Sri Lanka for Holy See and His Eminence Vincent Fernando, President of the Bishops' Conference of Sri Lanka and Rev. Noel Emmanuel, Bishop, Trincomalee also participated as guests of honor.

During this ceremony, which witnessed the participation of a large number of Clergy as well as laymen, various cultural performances were made by the children from schools and churches of the area. This even was telecasted by Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation. Concurrently to

this event, certificates were also awarded to the winners of the painting competition for Christmas, all Island quiz competition on Holy Bible, oratory and drama competition organized by the Department.

The assistance and support of Rev. Christian Noel Emmanuel, Bishop of Trincomalee Diocese, all the Rev. Fathers of the Diocese, District Secretariat, Trincomalee, Sri Lanka Navy, and other security forces of Trincomalee and a large number of institutions were extended to our Department to make this event a success.

Total expenditure-Rs. 4,275,565.24



◆ Contribution for organizing Christmas Festivals at other Institutions

Financial assistance were provided for 18 programmes considering the requests and estimates submitted for obtaining our contribution to the Christmas Programmes organized by Catholic dioceses, churches and various institutions.

Serial No	Institution/Diocese	Programme	Amount Rs.
1	Divisional Secretariat, Dankotuwa	Christmas programme	15,000.00
2	Religious services center, Rathnapura	Christmas programme for Sunday school Teachers	50,000.00
3	Communication Board of Church of Ceylon	Christmas musical entertainment	400,000.00
4	Center for youth Affairs of Rathnapura Diocese	Annual Christmas festival of Children, Catechetical and youth	30,000.00
5	Divisional Secretariat, Galewela	Christmas carol	30,000.00
6	Divisional Secretariat Wennappuwa	Christmas festival	40,000.00
7	Catechetical Center of Jaffna Diocese	Christmas festival in Naranthanai parish	37,000.00
		Christmas festival in Achchuweli parish	
		Christmas programme Sunday school Teachers in Jaffna Diocese	
8	Chaplains of the Hospital in Colombo Diocese	Christmas festival in Government Hospitals in Colombo Diocese	75,000.00
9	Sasanarakashaka Balamandalaya, Negambo	Christmas programme	30,000.00

10	Estate Social Development Service, Galle	Chrisstmas festival	50,000.00
11	Departmentr of Census and Styatistics	Chrisstmas festival	38,000.00
12	Holy Family Convent	Chrisstmas festival	30,000.00
13	St. Luke Church, Rathnapura	Out door Christmas programme	50,000.00
14	Divisional Secretariat, Negambo	Chrisstmas festival	30,000.00
15	Church of Ceylon, Kurunegala Diocese	Christmas carols	38,000.00
16	Christian Services Center, Chilaw Diocese	Christmas programme for Daham Teachers	50,000.00
17	Catholic Students' Movement, Colombo Zone	Carol performance	48,000.00
18	Holy Angles Church, Rawathawaththa	Christmas festival- Sunday schools	72,740.00
Total amount			1,113,740.00



Christmas programme of government hospitals



Christmas programme of Church of Ceylon

Chapter Twelve

Implementation of spiritual and personality development
programs
for the benefit of Christian community

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Implementation of spiritual development programme

This programme was organized with the aim of spiritual and personality development of Christian youths preventing them from drug menace and making their contribution to build a virtuous country. This was conducted by Rev Fathers in charge of youth

affairs in dioceses and Christian churches and Pastors. Requests made by Rev Fathers and Pastors of dioceses and Christian Churches depending on requirements were considered in this regard.

Accordingly financial assistance was made for 47 programmes during year 2017

	Diocese	Programme	Amount
1	Batticaloa	Personality building programme, Haven Estate	59,000
2	National	National Gathering of Families	192,000
3		National Catholic Universities Programme	128,750
4	Kurunegala	Programme for youths , Udubaddawa St. Anne's Shrine	10,000
5		Anti drug programme, Udubaddawa Holy Rosary Church	9,000
6	Rathnapura	Anti drug programme Holy Rosary Church Havadiwela	9,500
7		Family programme, Mother of Lourdes Church, Kudagama	8,500
8		Anti drug programme, Daham Seva Centre	50,000
9	Jaffna	Family programme, Holy Rosary public community centre	10,000
10		Anti drug programme, Our Lady of Holy Rosary public community centre, Annaikoddai	10,000
11		Programme for youths, St. Sebastian public community centre	10,000
12	Batticaloa	Youth programme, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church	10,000
13	Jaffna	Family programme, St. Theresa pastoral centre Kilinochchi	10,000
14		Programme for youths, St. Mary's Community centre, Sillalai	10,000
15		Family programme, Malankavil parish	10,000
16	Chilaw	Family programme, Holy Rosary Church	10,000
17	Jaffna	Family programme, Christ King public community center	10,000
18	Chilaw	Family programme, Thambarawila parish	10,000
19	Kandy	Family programme, St. Michael Church	10,000
20	National	Gathering of Bishops on Coexistence, Kurunagala	30,200

21		Seminar for Rev. Sisters, Jaffna	50,000
22	Rathnapura	Anti drug programme, Daham Seva Center	20,000
23	Kurunegala	Family programme, Hettipola	10,000
24	Batticaloa	Family programme, Veerakalmunai	10,000
25		Anti drug programme, St. Mary's Cathedral	10,000
26	Jaffna	Anti drug programme, Ariyalai	10,000
27		Anti drug programme, Annaikoddai	10,000
28		Anti drug programme, Malankavil parish	10,000
29		Family programme, St. Peter's public community	10,000
30		Anti drug programme, Holy Family public community	10,000
31	Chilaw	Programme for youths, Higher education centre, Wennappuwa	10,000
32	Galle	Programme for spiritual personality, Halpathota	61,000
33		Youth programme, Caritas organization	10,000
34	Jaffna	Programme for youths, St. Theresa pastoral centre Kilinochchi	10,000
35	Kandy	Anti drug programme, Sillalai	10,000
36	Jaffna	Anti drug programme, St. Theresa pastoral centre Kilinochchi	10,000
37		Family programme, Sillalai	10,000
38	Mannar	Family programme, St. Anne's Church	10,000
39		Programme for youths, Manthaii parish	10,000
40		Anti drug programme, St. Lawrence Church	10,000
41	Colombo	Personality Programme, Wesley College	50,000
42	Chilaw	Anti drug programme, Bolawatta	8,000
43	National	Gathering of Bishops on Coexistence, Colombo	30,000
44	Kurunegala	Anti drug programme, Kuliypitiya	40,000
45	Chilaw	Programme for youths, Godalla	10,000
46	Kandy	Family programme, Lay apostolic center	70,000
47	Colombo	Exhibition for St. Joseph Vass Year, Kattuwa	123,660
Total amount			1,239,610



Youths programme, Galle Diocese



Programme for spiritual personality, Jaffna Diocese



Programme for spiritual personality, Batticaloa Diocese

Chapter Thirteen

Special projects implemented by
the Department of Christian Religious Affairs in
2017

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Special Religious and national Ceremonies 2017

203-02-01-1508-05

- Catholic mass for the of 69th independence day celebration was held at St. Theresa Church, Thimirigasyaya and Christian mass for the same was held at St. Luke Church, Borella.

Litergy , Christian arts and crafts and cultural affairs -2017

203-02-01-1405

	Programme	Amount Rs.
1	Launch of the book “Raja thun Kattuwa”	100,000 .00
2	Broadcasting programme- For 81 programmes of Dawase Sithuwilla (Thought of the day)	115,000.00
4	Cultural programme for the children of Daham school at Communication Culture Center of Chilaw Diocese	100,000.00
5	SIGNIS awarding ceremony	400,000.00
6	Cultural programme held by Youth Affairs center, Rathnapura	87,000.00
7	Chrisanas magazine	50,000.00
8	Recording of Karaththa Mangalyaya, Kattimahana	208,000.00
Total amount		1,060,000.00

Purchasing publications on Christian religion in order to assist Catholic and Christian teachers 2018

Under the programme mentioned above, 1000 copies of the book “Thewaththa Jathika Basilica Wansha Kathawa” written by His Eminence Oswald Gomis, Bishop were purchased with a view to assist to the writers. 02 copies of the said

book were delivered to each Daham School of Colombo Diocese (280 Daham schools) and 01 copy has been delivered for each Daham schools in Sinhala medium. (427 Sunday schools).

Total amount spent Rs. 239975/-

Chapter Fourteen

Provision of aids for the development and reconstruction activities of Churches with historical value

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

**Provision of aids for the development and reconstruction activities of
Churches with historical value
(203-02-12-2205)**

	Diocese	Description	Amount
1	Galle	Development of the Shrine of Our Lady, Matara	2,000,000
2		For the development activities of the Church of Christ the Healer Weligama	1,500,000
3	Jaffna	Reconstruction of the Bishpos House, Jaffna	2,000,000
4	Kurunegala	Construction of a new addition to new building at the Church of our Lady of Rosary, Moroththa	2,000,000
5	Colombo	Reconstruction of the Church at Good Shepherd's Convent, Nayakakanda	2,000,000
6	National Christian Board	Reconstruction of Holy Trinity Church, Nuwaraeliya	1,999,566
7	Rathnapura	Provision of financial assistance for modification of inner electrical system of St. Joseph's Church, Balangoda	1,200,000
8		Provision of financial assistance for the repair of 'Japamala Kuti' at the Church of Our Lady of Rosary, Hewadiwela	300,000
9		Provision of financial assistance for the repair of parish priest's residence of St. Anthony's Church, Keerapathdeniya	300,000
10	Kandy	Reconstruction of St. Sebastian Church, Badalgama	500,000
11		Reconstruction of St. Mary's Church, Midland	500,000
12	Badulla	Reconstruction of the Parish Hall and the building of Daham School at St. Anthony's church, Bandarawela	2,700,000
13	Anuradhapura	Reconstruction of the Church of Our Lady of Lourds, Kalaoya	1,000,000
14	Mannar	Reconstruction of the Medical Center at Madu Church	4,560,212.05

Chapter Fifteen

Particulars of Expenditure related to object code
(2017) of
Department of Christian Religious Affairs

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

2017 Provisions under vote			Additional Provisions / Supplementary	Transfer of provisions	Total provision revised (Rs.)	Total expenditure - actual (as at 31. Dec.2017)	Balance of provision (Rs.)	Expenditure as a percentage %
Vote	Description	Provision Rs.						
	<u>Recurrent expenditure</u>	60,679,000.00	126,601,000.00	(200,000.00)	187 080 000.00	159,975,992.28	27,104,007.72	86%
	<u>Personal emoluments</u>	19,175,000.00		170,000.00	19,345,000.00	19,166,564.47	178,435.53	99%
1001	Salaries and wages	12,025,000.00		(850,000.00)	11,175,000.00	11,174,893.46	106.54	100%
1002	Overtime allowance and holiday pay	500,000.00		125,000.00	625,000.00	546,016.28	78,983.72	87%
1003	Other allowances	6,650,000.00		895,000.00	7,545,000.00	7,445,654.73	99,345.27	99%
	<u>Travelling expenses</u>	900,000.00	-	(125,000.00)	775,000.00	734,563.00	40,437.00	95%
1101	Local	500,000.00		(50,000.00)	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00	100%
1102	Overseas	400,000.00		(75,000.00)	325,000.00	284,563.00	40,437.00	88%
	<u>Supplies</u>	1,262,000.00	-	(54,000.00)	1,208,000.00	1,191,102.08	16,897.92	99%
1201	Stationaries and office requirements	450,000.00		(50,000.00)	400,000.00	399,994.68	5.32	100%
1202	Fuel	500,000.00			500,000.00	491,755.00	8,245.00	98%
1203	Meals and uniforms	12,000.00		(4,000.00)	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00	100%
1205	Other	300,000.00			300,000.00	291,352.40	8,647.60	97%
	<u>Maintenance</u>	850,000.00	-	(36,000.00)	814,000.00	746,120.99	67,879.01	92%
1301	Motor vehicles	600,000.00		50,000.00	650,000.00	623,611.99	26,388.01	96%
1302	Machinery and equipment	200,000.00		(75,000.00)	125,000.00	117,240.00	7,760.00	94%
1303	Buildings and Construction	50,000.00		(11,000.00)	39,000.00	5,269.00	33,731.00	14%
	<u>Services</u>	3,642,000.00	1,974,000.00	(273,000.00)	5,343,000.00	5,261,857.98	81,142.02	98%
1401	Transport	50,000.00			50,000.00	44,297.00	5,703.00	89%
1402	Posts and communication	350,000.00		96,000.00	446,000.00	418,684.54	27,315.46	94%
1403	Electricity and water	200,000.00			200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00	100%
140	Lease rent					2,016,000.00	0.00	100

	4	and taxes recovered by local Government institutions	1,542,000.00	474,000.00		2,016,000.00			%
	1409	Other	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	(369,000.00)	2,631,000.00	2,582,876.44	48,123.56	98%
		<u>Transfers</u>	15,350,000.00	-	(30,000.00)	15,320,000.00	15,308,884.25	11,115.75	100%
	1506	<u>Interests for property loans of Public Servants</u>	350,000.00		(30,000.00)	320,000.00	319,344.94	655.06	100%
	1508	<u>Other</u>	15,000,000.00			15,000,000.00	14,989,539.31	10,460.69	100%
1		<u>Allowance for library books granted to Daham School teachers</u>		38,612,000.00	148,000.00	38,760,000.00	38,605,000.00	155,000.00	100%
	1501	<u>Welfare programmes</u>		38,612,000.00	148,000.00	38,760,000.00	38,605,000.00	155,000.00	100%
2		<u>Project for the promotion of Christian religious literature</u>	4,000,000.00			4,000,000.00	3,969,378.50	30,621.50	99%
	1409	<u>Other</u>	4,000,000.00			4,000,000.00	3,969,378.50	30,621.50	99%
3		<u>Uniforms for Daham School teachers</u>	-	39,400,000.00		39,400,000.00	23,188,756.51	16,211,243.49	59%
	1501	<u>Welfare programmes</u>	-	39,400,000.00		39,400,000.00	23,188,756.51	16,211,243.49	59%
4		<u>Publishing main ceremonies in the Gazette under Pilgrims Ordinance</u>	7,000,000.00			7,000,000.00	6,886,310.20	113,689.80	98%
	1508	<u>Other</u>	7,000,000.00			7,000,000.00	6,886,310.20	113,689.80	98%
5		<u>Religious education and Daham School activities</u>	4,000,000.00	10,000,000.00		14,000,000.00	3,999,832.00	10,000,168.00	29%
	150	<u>Other</u>					3,999,832.00	10,000,168.00	29%

	8		4,000,000.00	10,000,000.00		14,000,000.00			
6		<u>Welfare allowance for Daham School teachers</u>	-	36,615,000.00		36,615,000.00	36,615,000.00	0.00	100%
	1501	<u>Welfare programmes</u>		36,615,000.00		36,615,000.00	36,615,000.00	0.00	100%
9		<u>Quiz competition on Holy Bible</u>	4,500,000.00			4,500,000.00	4,302,622.30	197,377.70	96%
	1508	<u>Other</u>	4,500,000.00			4,500,000.00	4,302,622.30	197,377.70	96%
		<u>Capital expenditure</u>	32,170,000.00	25,400,000.00	200,000.00	57,770,000.00	49,435,395.74	8,334,604.26	86%
		<u>Rehabilitation and improvement in capital assets</u>	170,000.00	-	200,000.00	370,000.00	317,545.30	52,454.70	86%
	2002	<u>Machinery and equipment</u>	70,000.00	-	-	70,000.00	25,500.00	44,500.00	36%
	2003	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>	100,000.00	-	200,000.00	300,000.00	292,045.30	7,954.70	97%
		<u>Acquiring of capital assets</u>	600,000.00	400,000.00		1,000,000.00	969,398.73	30,601.27	97%
	2102	<u>Furniture and office equipment</u>	500,000.00	400,000.00		900,000.00	900,000.00	0.00	100%
	2103	<u>Machinery and equipment</u>	100,000.00			100,000.00	69,398.73	30,601.27	69%
		<u>Transfer of capital</u>	7,000,000.00	-	-	7,000,000.00	6,999,630.00	370.00	100%
	2205	<u>Development assistances</u>	7,000,000.00	-	-	7,000,000.00	6,999,630.00	370.00	100%
		<u>Capacity building</u>	400,000.00	-	-	400,000.00	243,400.00	156,600.00	61%
	2401	<u>Enhancement of knowledge and institutional development</u>	400,000.00			400,000.00	243,400.00	156,600.00	61%
10		<u>Development of Churches</u>	20,000,000.00			20,000,000.00	19,999,696.44	303.56	100%
	2505	<u>Investments</u>	20,000,000.00			20,000,000.00	19,999,696.44	303.56	100%
11		<u>Development of</u>	4,000,000.00	-	-	4,000,000.00	3,586,559.13	413,440.87	90%

		<u>infrastructure facilities (T halawila, Wahakotte, Madu)</u>							
	2505	<u>Investments</u>	4,000,000.00			4,000,000.00	3,586,559.13	413,440.87	90%
12		<u>Development of infrastructure facilities at Churches</u>		25,000,000.00		25,000,000.00	17,319,166.14	7,680,833.86	69%
	2205	<u>Investments</u>		25,000,000.00		25,000,000.00	17,319,166.14	7,680,833.86	69%
Total - Recurrent			60,679,000.00	126,601,000.00	(200,000.00)	187,080,000.00	159,975,992.28	27,104,007.72	86%
Total - Capital			32,170,000.00	25,400,000.00	200,000.00	57,770,000.00	49,435,395.74	8,334,604.26	86%
Grand total			92,849,000.00	152,001,000.00	-	244,850,000.00	209,411,388.02	35,438,611.98	86%