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Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs

Vision

“Sustainably developed Sri Lanka”

Mission

“Based on the religious principles espoused by Buddhism, to cultivate a virtuous, disciplined, and spiritually developed future generation and promoting art, culture, & heritage conservation by formulating and implementing necessary policies and programs to ensure a better future”

1.0 Introduction and objectives

The Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs is the key ministry connected with human development and culture. Accordingly, the ministry bears the inescapable responsibility of preserving, maintaining and passing on to future generations a civilization and culture that spans more than 2500 years. Whilst placing Buddhism at the forefront, our primary responsibility is to implement programs necessary for the conservation, promotion and propagation of cultural elements to create a socially and culturally nourished society working to establish coexistence among all religions.

For this, we are committed to formulating policies, identifying programs and projects, implementing and monitoring them to create an environment necessary for developing a spiritually, morally and culturally enriched individual, based on national policies implemented by the government.

Accordingly, whilst implementing projects for the development of sacred sites and the prosperity of the clergy, we execute projects to establish religious harmony. Various projects are also being implemented to nurture artistic elements, protect and nurture cultural aspects to create morally upright citizens who are spiritually fulfilled.

In planning the policies, programmes and projects of our Ministry, the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs has been entrusted with the challenge of creating a society filled with citizens who are virtuous, disciplined and culturally refined in line with the new state policy theme of “A Thriving Nation, A Beautiful Life”.

To achieve these objectives, we coordinate the functions of all divisions, departments and statutory institutions under the ministry whilst implementing the ministry’s scope, collaborating with other relevant ministries, departments and institutions and whenever possible, obtaining support from international organizations, other nationally active organizations, private sector and community participation to ensure the sustainability of our activities.

1.1. Introduction of the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs and affiliated departments/ institutes

- Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs Division
- Buddhasasana Fund
- Department of Buddhist Affairs
- Department of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs
- Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs
- Department of Christian Religious Affairs
- Department of Public Trustee
- Cultural Affairs Division
- Department of Cultural Affairs
- Department of National Museums
- Department of National Archives
- Department of National Library and Documentation Services
- National Film Corporation
- Public Performance Board
- J. R. Jayewardene Center
- Selacine Media Solutions PVT LTD
- Art council of Sri Lanka
- National Heritage Division
- Galle Heritage Foundation
- Inter statutory board for the protection of Kandyn Heritage
- Department of Archaeology
- Gramodaya Jana kala Kendraya
- Tower Hall Foundation
- Ape Gama premises
- National Performing Art Theatre (Nelum Pokuna)
- Central Cultural Fund
- Ranmihithenna National Tele-Cinema Park

1.2. Role

- I. Formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policies, strategies, programs and projects related to Buddhasasana, religious and cultural affairs subjects and subjects under the departments, statutory institutions and state corporations under the ministry, based on national policies implemented by the government.
- II. Provision of public services under the purview of the ministry in an efficient and people friendly manner.
- III. Reforming all the systems and procedures using modern management techniques and technology, thus ensuring that the functions of the ministry are fulfilled while eliminating corruption and waste.
- IV. Assuring the right to practice Buddhism and all the other religions.

- V. Protecting all the rights granted to all the religions and taking actions against religious extremism.
- VI. Provision of facilities to promote Dhamma School education.
- VII. Conservation and development of sacred areas.
- VIII. Implementation and monitoring of programs in relation to religious and taking affairs.
- IX. Development of religious places in remote areas.
- X. Creation of a digital archaeological encyclopedia for all the religions.
- XI. Systematic management and preservation of state records
- XII. Effective administration of the Central Cultural Fund.
- XIII. Adoption of necessary measures for the advancement of all the aspects of the national culture of Sri Lanka.
- XIV. Maintenance of cultural relations with foreign countries.
- XV. Giving necessary cooperation for tourism promotion programs that shows the pride of cultural and national heritage in a manner that protects cultural and archaeological heritages.
- XVI. Identifying trends in the cultural contribution in building inter – ethnic cooperation and taking necessary measures to implement them.
- XVII. Following necessary measures for the conservation of historical, archaeological and cultural heritages.
- XVIII. Taking necessary steps for the promotion of modern and traditional cultural creations and to encourage craftsmen.
- XIX. Identification and implementation of relevant measures for the improvement in fields of drama, music and dance.
- XX. Introduction of a mechanism for the payment of royalties in line with international conventions.
- XXI. Establishing a national fund for literature, cinema, drama and other arts that have been sponsored continuously by the both government and private sectors.
- XXII. Establishing cultural zones in every major city in collaboration with the institutions of arts and culture.
- XXIII. Encouraging the translation of world literature and drama scripts to national languages.
- XXIV. Modernizing and reorganizing national archives by providing latest technology.
- XXV. Creating a structured plan to promote theatre from ground level to national level through a network of multipurpose cultural centers.
- XXVI. Establishing a national institute for research and training in contemporary theatre arts.
- XXVII. Activities relevant for all the other subjects that assigned to the institutions under this ministry.
- XXVIII. Supervision of all the institutions under the ministry.

2.0 Obtaining information on special programs implemented in the year 2025

2.1 Cultural Affairs Division

National Heritage Conservation and Promotion Programmes –

- **“Sri Lankan Day” National Festival**

Arrangements are being made to hold the "Sri Lankan National Festival" on December 12, 13, and 14, centered in Colombo, reflecting the cultural heritage and diversity, in order to foster social cohesion and national reconciliation in Sri Lanka.

- **Promoting the cultural rights of persons with disabilities**

A “Human Library” has been successfully conducted for a period of 04 days from 27th to 30th September at the S.W.R.D. Bandaranaike National Memorial Complex to fine-tune social attitudes through physically challenged unique personalities in line with the Colombo International Book fair.

2.2 The Department of National Museums

- Holding a program with the participation of people of South African Kaffir descent to celebrate International Museum Day
- Various competitions for children and a special programme for children were held at the museum auditorium on 12.10.2025 to mark World Children's Day
- Opening of the Furniture Gallery at the Colombo National Museum
- An exhibition of sculptures related to the character of Buddha was held at the Department of Museums in collaboration with the Indian High Commission in conjunction with the Poson festival.

2.3 Department of National Archives

- **Renovation of the main building**

Construction activities have been commenced from June 2024 after receiving Cabinet approval for the extension of the project period and the revised estimate on 28 May 2024. (About 72% of the activities have been completed so far)

- **Installation of a Mobile Racking System in the main building**

Establishment of a Mobile Racking System in the main building of the Department of National Archives is being carried out under this project in order to expand the facilities for the safe storage of documents Work is underway to prepare the floor of the repository for the installation of mobile racks.

- **Setting up of a Trusted Digital Repository (Phase 01)**

Since the Total Cost Estimate of this project had increased and the tasks of the project had been revised, a revised project plan was submitted to the Department of National Planning and the revised project plan was approved by the Department on 26.12.2024. Relevant activities are being carried out to initiate the project.

2.4 Department of Cultural Affairs

- Educating Kurunegala District Cultural Officers on the documentation of intangible heritage in accordance with the UNESCO Convention on the Promotion and Conservation of precious heritage.
- Programs have been conducted at the Veyangoda and Kundasale training centres to build film clusters in connection with cultural centres.
- Workshops have been held to educate school children in Homagama, Gampaha and Malabe on the importance of using radio media as an educational tool.
- Conducting workshops (for dance teachers) to standardize local dance.

2.5 Arts Council of Sri Lanka

- Thudu - Appreciation of 3 Musicians Mahinda Bandara, Upatissa Perera and D.D. Gunasena for excellence in the music industry under the Vadyabhimani Uphara Awards.
- Providing financial prizes for Sahitya Ratna Award which is given only once in a life time in recognition of the artistes of the national level under the financial sponsorship for the state festivals run by the advisory councils.
- Conducting a two-day workshop to standardize and promote dance creations by the Panel of Dance and Ballet, conducting workshops on modern global radio for professional communicators in the radio sector by the Panel of Radio, Newspapers and social media and the Panel of Music has prepared a database of Sri Lankan songs.
- Conducting workshops and providing writing assistance to improve the language and creative writing skills of writers who have demonstrated talent at the district level and creators who have won divisional and district literary competitions in 09 selected districts to develop accurate language use and creative writing skills.

2.6 National Film Corporation of Sri Lanka

- **Diploma Course in Cinematography**
 - Applications have been invited, interviews have been conducted and recruitment has been made for the 2025
 - Commencement of the 2025 Cinematography Diploma Course and Completion of the initial activities related to it.
 - Commencement of the 2025 Cinematography Certificate Course and completion of the initial activities related to it.

- **Cinema Publications**

- On the recommendations of the Board of Experts, arrangements have been made to publish the book "Documentary Film Genealogy" of Mr. Namal Prasantha as a corporate publication on the corporate anniversary date of 21.01.2025
- A cinema publication store was jointly operated with Nine Publishing, in line with the Colombo International Book Fair.

- **Film Magazine**

- The first volume of the Film Magazine 2025 has been published, articles have been compiled for the second volume, and the second volume of the Film Magazine is scheduled to be published under a new editor.

- **Educational Workshops**

- A Master Class on Film Conservation was held at the Tharangani Cinema Hall on 27.09.2025 in collaboration with the French Embassy.

- **Conducting film education programmes and film festivals.**

- 2025-01-30 David Lynch Retrospective Film Screening was held on 30.01.2025

- **Enhancement of the Film School**

- Currently, the Cinematography Diploma Course has been initiated and is being conducted at the Corporation's head office premises in connection with the Film School. Committees to prepare syllabi have been appointed to start 05 new certificate courses in the year 2026, and 04 committees have prepared and provided syllabi by now.

2.7 National Library and Documentation Services Board

- UNESCO Memory of the World (MOW) Programme
Documents related to the "Panadurawadaya" (The Great Debate) and trilingual inscription were inscribed on the international list called UNESCO Memory of the World on 17.04.2025.

- Conducting Annual International Research Conference
Title: "Building a Smart Nation through Smart Libraries"
- Publication Assistance Project
During this period, financial support of Rs. 646,250.00 has been provided for 10 new publications.
- Publication Activities
Publishing the Sinhala medium book "Book Composition Methodology" as a guide for new writers engaged in book composition.
- Digitization of Government Gazette from 1975 to 1985

Input the digitized information based on 200,000 pages of government gazettes published from 1975 to 1985 from the old gazette collection of the National Library of Sri Lanka to the D-space database.

2.8 Selacine Media Solutions Pvt Ltd.

- Location/event Management
 - Managing locations to celebrate Tourism Day organized by the Tourism Development Authority in 2025.
 - Setting up of exhibition stalls for location management carried out by the National Innovation Institute.
 - Carrying out the tasks of launching “Jaya Sampatha” lottery introduced by the Development Lotteries Board.
 - Conducting the Awarding Ceremony of Industrial Development Board.

3.0 Special projects implemented for income generation

3.1 Department of National Museums

- Providing the Colombo Museum Garden for photography on (weddings, birthdays, etc.) and various concerts.
- Providing a space from the Museum Arcade building to Coffee Bean
- Providing the Lotus Gallery of the Colombo National Museum for various exhibitions

3.2 Department of Cultural Affairs

- Provision of Rs. 3 million has been released for the improvement and renovation of facilities at North and South Mithuru Sevana Resort- Mihintale
- Provision of Rs. 1.87 million has been released for the improvement and renovation of the facilities of the Kundasale National Art Resort

3.3 National Library and Documentation Services Board

Revenue is generated through the following activities;

- Recruiting members to the National Library
- Providing information to readers
- Providing published indexing data
- Preservation of Ola Leaf books of external institutions
- Holding the international library conference
- Maintaining the National Library Bookstore
- Making book recommendations
- Classification of Libraries
- Publication subscriptions
- Issuance of ISBN/ISSN/ISMN numbers

- Rental of auditorium, Conference Hall and external restaurant (Good market)
- Conducting training workshops and new courses

3.4 Public Performances Board

Generating revenue by granting permission for film previews (local and foreign), play script reviews (long and short), and performances (local and foreign).

3.5 J. R. Jayawardena Centre

The J. R. Jayewardene Centre does not receive any annual financial allocation from the Treasury. The institution generates income from the following sources of income for its operational activities;

- Rental of buildings.
- Rental of function halls
- Interest income from fixed deposits
- Sale of library books

4.0 Programs implemented to strengthen foreign relations

4.1 Cultural Affairs Division

- Donating books to the Qasr Misr Egyptian Library
- Holding discussions with the Honorable Minister in charge of the subject and Ambassadors and High Commissioners of foreign countries
 - Netherlands
 - India
 - Egypt
 - Palestine
 - Pakistan
 - Thailand
 - Korea
 - America
 - Nepal
 - Saudi Arabia
- Discussions with the UN Residential Coordinator and the Honorable Minister
- Holding the Third International BIMSTEC Conference
- A discussion between the Honorable Minister and Mr. Firmio Edouard Motoko, who is expected to compete for the position of Director-General of UNESCO, and the Minister of Culture of the Government of Congo.
- 6 drummers participated in the first BIMSTEC Traditional Music Festival held in New Delhi, India
- Participation of an artiste in the 2025 Asian Screen Dance Committee meeting & Side Event held in Korea.

- Participation of a dance troupe for 25th Round of Ismalia International Festival for Culture and Art in Cairo, Egypt.
- Participation of the Honorable Minister in charge of the subject for the 8th Silk Road (Dunhuang) International Cultural Expo held in Dunhuang City, Gansu Province from 20th to 22nd September 2025
- Participation of the Additional Secretary (Promotion & Foreign Relations) for the Cultural Heritage Digitalization Forum 2025 held on 16 and 17 September.

4.2 Department of National Museums

- Providing training on wood and metal conservation to subject-related officers at the “Rijks Museum” in the Netherlands.

4.3 Arts Council of Sri Lanka

- A representative of the Arts Council of Sri Lanka participated in the 10th World Summit on Arts and Culture held in Korea in May 2025 by the International Federation of Arts Councils and Cultural Agencies (IFACCA).
- Processing of renewal of IFACCA membership for 03 years 2025-2027 (AUD 3,000).

4.4 National Library and Documentation Services Board

- Maintaining relationships with national libraries and libraries in other fields in various countries of the world, as well as the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA).
- Carrying out the necessary activities to maintain cooperation with the following countries: Taiwan, Maldives, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines and Kazakhstan regarding the sending of books under the International Exchange Service.
- Handing over the books to the foreign embassies that are requested by foreign countries under the International Exchange Service for deliver them to those countries.
 - National Library of Japan - 04
 - National Library of Singapore - 10
 - National Library of Korea - 16
- Sending 19 books to the Sri Lankan High Commission in Singapore through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Sri Lankan collection of the National Library of Singapore under the International Exchange Service.
- Providing 17 books suitable for donation to the Egyptian Arabic Qasr Misr Library to the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs.
- A ceremony jointly organized by the Embassy of Thailand and the National Library was held to donate 80 copies of the Roman translation of the Tripitaka to the National Library on 14.02.2025. The ceremony was attended by about 80 distinguished persons, including the Ambassador of Thailand, the Ambassador of Myanmar, the Ambassador of Indonesia,

and the Secretary of the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, A.M.P.M.B. Atapattu, led by local and foreign monks.

- Participation in the Silk Road International Library Alliance (SRILA) 2025 Conference organized by the National Library of China.
- Hold a program on 15.05.2025 under the theme of “Commemoration Day of the Persian Language, Iranian poet Hakeem Ferdowsi” and hold a cultural book exhibition in parallel to the event.

5.0 Special policy decisions (revising acts/ preparation of acts/ special cabinet memorandums)

Serial No	Policy decisions/ cabinet decisions	Progress
01	National Heritage Policy	.A workshop for the formulation of the National Heritage Policy was conducted on 24 th , 25 th , and 26 th September 2025, in coordination with the Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO, with the participation of external stakeholders representing the public sector, private sector, and non-governmental organizations. The National Heritage Policy, which was drafted and finalized during the workshop, has been referred for translation. Subsequently, arrangements will be made to obtain public and external stakeholder comments.
02	The Antiquities Ordinance No. 9 of 1940 and the Antiquities (Amendment) Act No. 24 of 1998.	Approval has been granted as per the Cabinet Decision No.අමප/25/1219/822/030 and dated 05/08/2025, received for the Cabinet Memorandum No. MBRCA/CA/CP/2025/21 and dated 03/07/2025. Accordingly, an expert committee has been appointed for the amendment of the Act.
03	Amendment to the Galle Heritage Foundation Act.	The Legal Draftsman has informed that the approval of the present Cabinet of Ministers should be obtained for the amendment of the Galle Heritage Foundation Act. Accordingly, by letter dated 27.08.2024, the Galle Heritage Foundation was informed to submit to the Ministry the necessary Cabinet Memorandum and the relevant Concept Paper for the amendment of the Act. The Galle Heritage Foundation, by letter dated 04.12.2024, has informed that, after appointing the representatives of the Board of Management and making them aware of the proposed amendments to the Act, action will be taken to prepare a Cabinet Memorandum and a Concept Paper in accordance with the decision made after resubmitting the matter to the Board of Management.

04	Implementation of development projects within Ape Gama premises.	The Cabinet of Ministers has instructed that the premises of “Ape Gama” be brought under the purview of the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, and that the relevant functions be carried out utilizing the income currently generated within the premises of “Ape Gama” based on the existing provisions. Approval has been granted for the business plan as per Cabinet Decision No. අම/25/1485/822/038 dated 04.09.2025. Accordingly, further actions are being carried out.
05	Amendment to the Tower Hall Theatre Foundation Act, No. 1 of 1978 (Parliamentary Act)	The proposals prepared in accordance with the clarifications made during the discussion held with the Assistant Legal Draftsperson of the Legal Draftsman’s Department, regarding the amendments proposed by the committee appointed for this purpose to the Sections mentioned in the revised Bill, were recommended by the Secretary to the Ministry on 27.08.2025 and referred to the Legal Draftsman for approval.
06	Charging fees for providing additional services during events or performances held at the Nelum Pokuna Mahinda Rajapaksa Theatre	A Committee, including a representative of the Ministry of Finance, has been appointed in this regard, and the said committee met on 30/10/2025 and prepared the relevant report to proceed with obtaining the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers.
07	Revising Buddhist Temporalities Ordinance, No 19 of 1931	The revised bill that has been prepared by the committee including amendments only for section 41 and 42 as per the request dated 28.03.2024 of Most Ven. Maha Nayaka Thereros, has been directed to Legal Draftsman on 14.05.2024 with informing to make the final bill prepared. Accordingly, revised bill has been directed to the ministry with letter No L.D.-O. 46/2022 dated 10.06.2024 of the Legal Draftsman. It has been submitted again to Maha Nayaka Thereros and has been revised several times according to the instructions of Maha Nayaka Thereros. It has been directed again to Legal Draftsman with informing to make the final bill prepared.
08	Revising Muslim Mosques and Charitable Trusts or Wakfs Act No 51 of 1956	Amendments have been made to this Act in 1962 and 1982 and a committee has been appointed on 07.02.2024 to make further amendments of this. The bill has been drafted and submitted for recommendations of the committee.
09	Preparing Hajj and Umrah Worship Act	The bill that has been prepared by the committee appointed in this regard has been directed for the cabinet approval

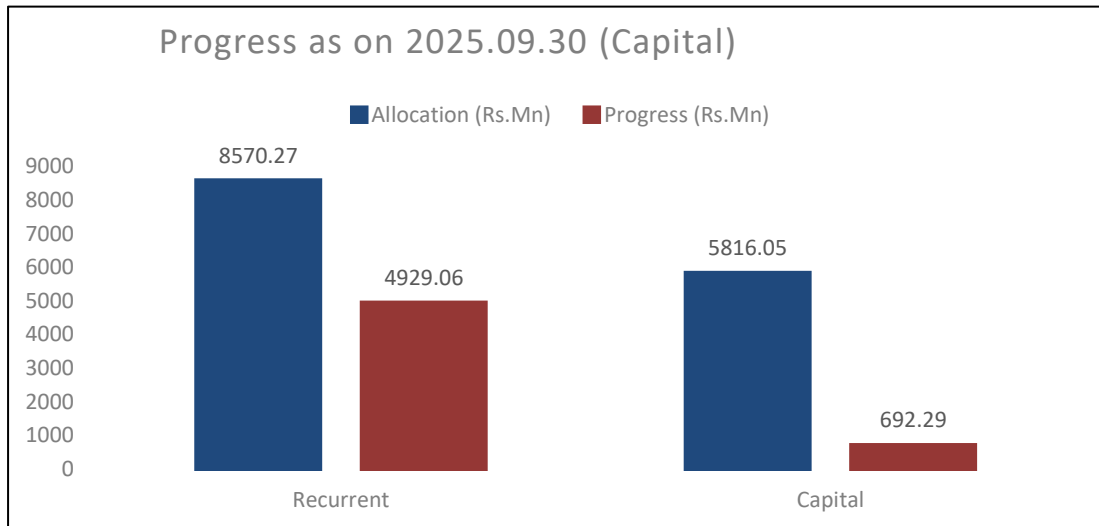
10	Publishing Sabrimala pilgrimage as a pilgrimage recognized by the government of Sri Lanka and facilitating	The cabinet approval has been received to publish the pilgrimage to Ayyappa Kovil of Sabrimala located in Kerala of India conducted by Hindu devotees of Sri Lanka as a pilgrimage recognized by the government of Sri Lanka. Actions are taken to publish it through a gazette paper by the Department of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs
11	Amending the existing provision regarding the payment of SAARC contributions	So far, an amount of Rs.25 million of provision were to be paid and from 2025 onwards, a decision has been approved to be paid the amount calculated and determined by the SAARC Cultural Centre as the SAARC contributions.
12	Formulation of the national policy on Archival Documents and Records management	The National Policy on Archival Documents and Records Management, which was drafted by the expert committee appointed for this task, was submitted to the Hon. Minister and the Secretary of the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs for approval on 31.12.2024 and the Cabinet approval was granted by Cabinet Decision No. CP/25/0553/822/010 dated 07.04.2025 for this policy. Work is underway to update the existing glossary on epigraphy to publish this policy as a book, and this glossary is scheduled to be released in three languages.
13	John De Silva Memorial Theatre construction project	The Cabinet has approved the resumption of the John De Silva Memorial Theatre construction project in phases on 08.09.2025, which has been suspended now. (Number of the Cabinet decision-CP/25/1619/822/041)
14	Review of Government-Owned Non-Commercial Institutions.	The Cabinet Sub-Committee has recommended the National Library and Documentation Services Board as one of the institutions to be reorganized based on the “Institutional reorganization to be carried out to bring the Library and Documentation Service of Sri Lanka to a level that can meet international standards” by the Committee appointed to carry out the task pursuant to the Cabinet approval in accordance with the Cabinet Memorandum submitted by His Excellency the President with the title of “Review of Government-Owned Non-Commercial Institutions.”

15	Implementation of the Cabinet decision on government-owned non-commercial institutions.	Accordingly, a detailed study should be conducted by an appropriate expert committee and recommendations should be submitted on the feasibility of implementing a suitable public-private partnership strategy to minimize the level of dependence on the provisions of the General Treasury by implementing it in a manner consistent with new trends in the industry.
16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annul the J.R. Jayewardene Centre Act. • Initiating preliminary work on the formulation of the Arts Council Act of Sri Lanka. • Annul the National Film Corporation Act of Sri Lanka. • Amend the National Museums Act 	

6.0 Financial progress summary of 2025 (As at 30.09.2025)

Serial No	Institution	Allocation (Rs M)		Progress (Rs M)	
		Capital	Recurrent	Capital expenses	Recurrent expenses
1	Buddhasasana Division	1505.37	312.31	66.65	190.02
2	Department of Buddhist Affairs	133.00	1837.00	5.76	669.06
3	Department of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs	47.00	253.00	36.34	176.02
4	Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs	31.00	179.00	7.50	89.70
5	Department of Christian Religious Affairs	62.00	208.00	8.47	127.13
6	Department of Public Trustee	21.00	114.00	2.47	70.15
7	Cultural Affairs Division	323.22	1311.29	49.83	655.70
8	Department of National Museums	349.00	431.00	60.57	283.05
9	Department of National Archives	1512.33	291.47	132.79	152.50
10	Department of Cultural Affairs	643.00	957.00	131.45	579.49
11	Art council of Sri Lanka (Included in the vote of Cultural Division)	8.00	14.20	4.30	8.13
12	J. R. Jayewardene Center	10.55	51.66	1.17	31.49
13	National Film Corporation	60.00	125.00	-	85.50
14	Department of National Library and Documentation Services	200.00	195.00	33.40	126.25
15	Selacine Media Solutions PVT LTD	5.30	95.34	-	44.50
16	Public Performance Board	1.00	9.00	0.66	4.91
17	National Heritage Division	24.50	7.50	3.74	2.86
18	Galle Heritage Foundation	40.00	0	10.00	0

19	Inter statutory board for the protection of Kandyn Heritage	5.00	2.00	0.50	0.18
20	Department of Archaeology	664.78	2047.00	121.76	1549.52
21	Ranmihithenna Tele Cinema Park	60.00	36.00	0.28	21.44
22	Gramodaya Jana kala Kendraya	60.00	44.00	4.35	25.15
23	Ape Gama premises				
24	Tower Hall Foundation	50.00	49.50	10.30	36.31
25	National Performing Art Theatre (NelumPokuna)	-	-	-	-
26	Central Cultural Fund	-	-	-	-
	Total	5816.05	8570.27	692.29	4929.06



Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs Division

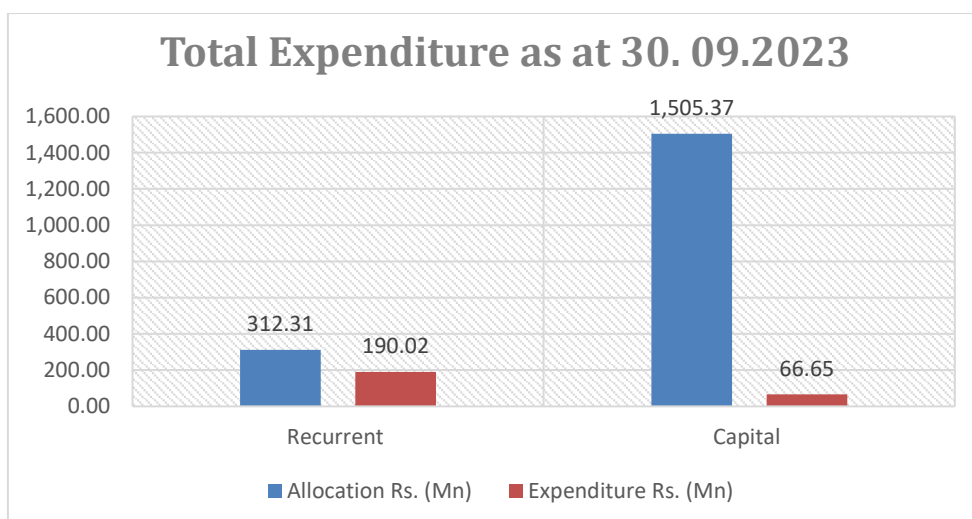
1.0 Summary of Cadre as at 30.09. 2025 of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs Division according to service levels.

Service Level	Approved Cadre	Existing Cadre
Senior	19	15
Tertiary	5	3
Secondary	106	93
Primary	44	37
Total	172	148

2.0 Financial Progress

Description	2025 Approved Allocation (Rs M)	Total expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs M)	Balance (Rs M)	Financial Progress as a percentage (%)
Recurrent Expenditure	312.31	190.02	117.63	61%
Minister's Office	79.00	34.18	44.82	43%
Ministry	198.63	136.04	62.45	68%
Development programs	34.68	19.79	10.36	57%
Capital Expenditure	1505.37	66.65	1344.09	4%
Minister's Office	8.00	4.88	2.12	61%
Ministry	84.37	6.59	63.41	8%
Development programs	1413.00	55.18	* 1278.55	4%
Total	1817.68	256.67	1461.71	14%

* The amount allocated for the Indian financial grant program has not been utilized in 2025 and it is remaining.



3.0 Programs implemented during 2025

Progress of the implemented programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No	Program / Project	2025 Approved allocation (Rs M)	(Rs M)	Financial progress (%)	Physical progress (%)
1	Sacred area development 101-2-6-1-2025	25.00	10.02	40%	70%
2	Rural Buddhist temple development program 101-2-6-8-2205	110.89	39.30	35%	60%
3	Drug prevention programs implemented under the sustainable Punyagrama program 101-2-6-9-2205	10.00	5.85	58%	75%
4	Indian aid project 101-2-6-1-2205	1130.00	0.02	0%	10%
5	Reconstruction of the Electrical System of the Vidyalkara International Buddhist Conference Hall 101-2-6-2- 2205	137.11	0	0	15%
6	Buildings and constructions (New premises of the ministry) 101-1-01-2001	52.00	0	0%	Provision has been enclosed

3.1 Sacred Area Development Program

Sacred area development and conservation is a major role that has been assigned to this ministry. Accordingly, identifying a certain temple, church, Kovil or Dewala as a sacred area with the objectives of creating a virtuous society with spiritual values and protecting historical heritages of Sri Lanka and presenting to the future generation and publishing the identified sacred areas by Gazette and developing are included in the role of this ministry.

The sacred areas are classified to 3 categories as national, zonal and regional considering the archaeological, historical value and sacredness of the sacred areas from the Department of Physical Planning. According to that criteria, sacred areas and areas proposed to be improved under that scheme are published in the gazette as Urban Development Areas under the Sections 6 (2) (b) and 21 (2) b of the Town and Country Planning Ordinance No13 of 1946.

- **Matters considered to be identified as a sacred land.**
 - ❖ Religious importance
 - ❖ Historical importance
 - ❖ Archeological importance
 - ❖ Cultural importance
 - ❖ Architectural importance
 - ❖ Environmental importance
 - ❖ Economic and Social importance
- **Financial progress to the date of 31st December 2024 (recurrent and capital)**

Rs M 25 was allocated for the sacred area development in 2025 and Rs M 20.5 has been released for the development activities of 09 sacred areas of 07 districts of 05 provinces.

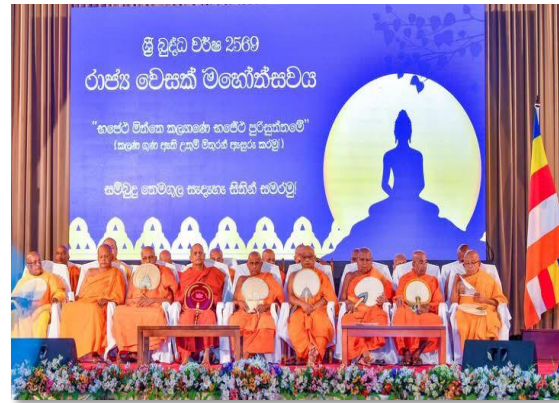
3.1.1 Summary of the allocation released for the projects of 2024

Serial No	Province	District	Number of approved projects	Allocation Rs.	Financial progress	Physical progress 30/09/2025
01	North	Vavuniya	01	3,500,000.00	-	50%
02	North central	Anuradhapura	01	3,000,000.00	100%	100%
03	East	Ampara	05	2,000,000.00	-	50%
				500,000.00	-	100%
				2,000,000.00	-	50%
				1,000,000.00	-	100%
				2,000,000.00	-	75%
04	South	Hambantota	01	2,000,000.00	-	100%
05	Central	Nuwara Eliya	01	2,000,000.00	-	60%
06		Kandy	01	1,000,000.00	-	0
07		Matale	01	1,500,000.00	-	100%
Total			11	20,500,000.00	31.70%	71.36%

3.1.2 Details of all the programs held from January to September (third quarter) of 2025

- **State Vesak Festival – Awarding Sannas 2025**

The State Vesak Festival of 2025 has been held magnificently in urban council hall of Nuwara Eliya district and Sannas have been awarded for Kothmale Maliyadeva Viharaya in Nuwara Eliya district, historical Gonnawa Sri Vishnu Dewalaya of Kurunegala district with precedence of His Excellency the President Anura Kumara Dissanayaka of Democratic Socialist Republic Sri Lanka



- **Batapotha Sri Sudarshanaramaya - Awarding Sannas on 02.02.2025**

Awarding Sannas of Batapotha Sri Sudarshanarama Viharaya in Kaduwela divisional secretariat division of Colombo district has been held on 02.02.2025 in that temple with precedence of the Deputy Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs.

- **Historical Henkaduwa Raja Maha Viharaya - Awarding Sannas on 13.03.2025**

Awarding Sannas of historical Henkaduwa Raja Maha Viharaya in Tangalle divisional secretariat division of Hambantota district has been held on 13.03.2025 in that temple with precedence of the Hon. Gamagedara Dissanayaka, Deputy Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs

- **Sankhapitti Raja Maha Viharaya - Awarding Sannas on 18.08.2025**

Awarding Sannas of historical Sankhapitti Raja Maha Viharaya in Kaduwela divisional secretariat division of Colombo district has been held on 18.08.2025 in that temple with precedence of the Hon. Prime Minister of Democratic Socialist Republic Sri Lanka



3.1.3 Sacred area development activities in 2025



Completion of works in toilet system of Alu Viharaya in Matale that has been constructed for tourists from foreign countries



Completion of works in toilet system of Buddhangala Raja Maha Viharaya

3.2 Rural Buddhist temple development program

This program is implemented as a government contribution to the temples in order to minimize defects of physical facilities which are essential for protection, nourishment and promotion of the Buddhism. The contribution rendered by the temple for the Buddhism, essential development requirements and especially damages of temples due to the natural disasters are considered for selection of temples under this project.

An amount of Rs M 110.89 has been allocated for the Rural Buddhist temple development program in 2025. Rs (M)109.81 has been released for the development activities of 209 projects relevant for the temples selected in district level out of that allocation.

3.2.1 Summary of allocations released for the projects in 2024 (as at 30.09.2025)

Serial No	District	Approved allocation		Physical progress
		No. of projects	Allocation (Rs)	
1	Colombo	7	2,730,000.00	64%
2	Gampaha	14	5,818,000.00	58%
3	Kalutara	7	2,695,000.00	82%
4	Kandy	17	9,550,000.00	77%
5	Matale	8	3,750,000.00	100%
6	Nuwara Eliya	23	12,810,000.00	78%
7	Galle	23	9,365,000.00	65%
8	Matara	9	4,500,000.00	50%
9	Hambantota	8	3,592,000.00	70%
10	Mannar	4	2,000,000.00	90%
11	Ampara	6	2,640,000.00	45%
12	Trincomalee	2	1,000,000.00	0%
13	Kurunegala	16	8,000,000.00	56%
14	Puttalam	9	6,500,000.00	50%
15	Anuradhapura	18	17,050,000.00	37%
16	Polonnaruwa	8	4,000,000.00	84%
17	Badulla	6	3,400,000.00	75%
18	Monaragala	5	2,300,000.00	98%
19	Ratnapura	8	3,685,000.00	39%
20	Kegalle	11	4,426,000.00	69%
	Total	209	109,811,000.00	-



Repairing monastery building of Vawwa Purana Viharaya in Okewela divisional secretariat division



Renovation of roof of the Budumadura monastery in Thalahinna Sri Dhammananda Viharaya under progress of the rural temples in Ibbagamuwa

3.3 Punyagrama value promotion and social development program

Preparation of policies based on various religious theories, identification of programs/projects, implementation and regulation are among the role assigned to this ministry.

Currently, Sri Lanka is closed to the portal of many future challenges. Therefore, it is our responsibility to create a Sri Lanka nourished with a virtuous society with values. It is a special responsibility of our ministry to take actions for making coexistence between Hindu, Catholic, Islam and other religions while giving prominence to the Buddhism and to nourish socially, culturally with protecting, preserving and promoting cultural elements.

Therefore, need of a happy family is increasing daily for an effective citizen. It is expected to take actions through “Punyagrama/ value promotion” program as one program for a disciplined, virtuous, healthy society with justice and values.

An amount of Rs M 10 has been allocated for the Punyagrama/ drug prevention vote in 2025. A total allocation of Rs 7, 797, 300.00 has been released as Rs 7, 220, 300.00 for 100 villages in 20 districts, Rs 477, 000.00 for Siri Dalada Wandanawa -Sithuwam Dekma” and Rs 100, 000.00 for 4 special Punyagrama and drug prevention programs held in Nuwara Eliya

3.3.1 Punyagrama value promotion and social development programs implemented in 2025

Serial No	District	For the value and social development programs	
		No of programs	Approved allocation
1	Colombo	12	150,000.00
2	Gampaha	16	220,000.00
3	Kalutara	26	300,000.00
4	Kandy	47	503,300.00
5	Matale	44	294,500.00
6	Nuwara Eliya	34	300,000.00
7	Galle	44	450,000.00
8	Matara	53	590,600.00
9	Hambantota	43	475,000.00
10	Ampara	28	225,000.00
11	Trincomalee	08	145,000.00
12	Batticaloa	11	75,000.00
13	Kurunegala	74	975,000.00
14	Puttalam	52	450,000.00
15	Anuradhapura	14	150,000.00
16	Polonnaruwa	16	160,800.00
17	Badulla	21	283,200.00
18	Monaragala	29	442,700.00
19	Ratnapura	36	375,000.00
20	Kegalle	54	655,200.00

21	Siri Dalada Wandanawa - Sithuwam Dekma”	01	477,000.00
22	Punyagrama and Drug prevention programs held simultaneously to the State Vesak Festival	04	100,000.00
Total		667	7,797,300.00

3.3.2 Drug prevention programs implemented in 2025

Serial No	Drug prevention program	Number of programs	Allocation (Rs)
01	Drug prevention and advisory Programs for school children	30	Has been implemented without a cost to the government
02	Drug prevention community awareness programs centralized national religious functions	07	
03	Programs for the government officers	34	
04	Drug prevention awareness programs targeted Dhamma School students	07	
05	Awareness programs for university scholars	06	
06	Awareness programs for the monks in Piriwen	02	
	Total	86	0.00



Expressing gratitude for Dhamma school children held in Thabbowa Bodhimalaka Pushparamaya Viharaya of Nattandiya divisional secretariat division – Puttalam



Ayurvedic medical clinic held in Sawukkadi Asapuwa in Chenkalady divisional secretariat division – Batticaloa



Maha Piriwena Asgiriya
Program of effects of the usage of mobile phones and food security of children in early childhood held in Jumma Mosque of Jaya



Awarding certificates and prizes to children participated inauguration day program of “Sithuwam Dekma” – Siri Dalada Wandanawa



Drug prevention program – Clifton Balika Vidyalaya – Maradana



Drug prevention program – Maha Vihara

4.0 Reconstruction of the Electrical System of the Vidyalkankara International Buddhist Conference Hall

A provision of Rs. million 137.11 has been allocated for the year 2025 for the reconstruction of the damaged electrical systems of the Vidyalkankara International Buddhist Conference Hall. An agreement regarding the engineering works of this task was signed with the Central Engineering Consultancy Bureau (CECB) on 2025.09.30.

The signing of this agreement was delayed due to the absence of an engineer to supervise and certify the bills for this project on behalf of the Ministry. However, since an engineer has now been appointed under Section 6 of the State Finance Circular No. 01/2020, it has been planned to make the advance payment and commence construction work during the second week of October.

It is also scheduled to settle the outstanding electricity bills expected to be covered by this allocation during the same period in the second week of October.

5.0 Others

5.1 Recommendations for Visa

The recommendations are submitted by this ministry for obtaining gratis visa for Dambadiwa pilgrimages, visa for the monks who go abroad and the foreign monks who stay in this country.

5.2 Maintenance and Development of Pilgrim Rests

Following local and foreign pilgrim rests are owned by this ministry. The responsibility for the maintenance and administration of the following local and foreign pilgrim rests lies within the purview of this Ministry

- **Dutugamunu Pilgrim rest in Nepal**

The *Dutugemunu Rest House* located at Rupandehi, Lumbini in Nepal, belonging to this Ministry, is situated on land gifted to the Government of Sri Lanka. It provides accommodation facilities for 161 persons at a time. The rest house is administered by a manager appointed by the Ministry, under the supervision of the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Nepal. The income status has improved following renovations carried out from the year 2025.

From January to September 2025, the total income amounted to Rs. 7,182,916.

- **Anuradhapura Kurundamkulama Rajarata Pilgrim Rest**

This pilgrims' rest is located at Mihintale Road, Kurundan Kulama, Anuradhapura — approximately 7 km from the Anuradhapura Sacred City, within the Kurundan Kulama Grama Niladhari Division of the Mihintale Divisional Secretariat Division in the Anuradhapura District.

The *Rajarata Pilgrims' Rest*, which operates under the administration of the Ministry, consists of a two-storey building and provides accommodation facilities for about 30 persons at a time.

From January to September 2025, the total income amounted to Rs. 801,850.



6.0 Future targets

Expected programs to be implemented in 2026

Serial No	Program	Financial targets of 2026 Rs (M)	Targets according to future outlook of 2026
01	Development of Sacred Areas	Expected allocation Rs M 25	It is expected to provide allocation to fulfill the development activities and grant new sacred area Sannas
02	Development of rural Buddhist temples	Expected allocation Rs M 150	It is expected to renovate temples damaged by disasters and development activities in selected temples under this program
03	Sustainable Punyagrama Program	Expected allocation Rs M 10	It is planned to implement this program as a social, economic and value development program in 100 villages identified according to timely needs in regional level
04	Project of installing solar panels under the Indian Grant project	Expected allocation 13- Rs M 1208.35 17 – Rs M 200	The solar power system installation project is to be implemented according to the electricity needs of temples and Piriwen with obtaining assistance of Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority and Ministry of Power under the Indian grant project.

Buddhasasana Fund

1.0 Introduction

The Buddhasasana Fund was established by the Act No 35 of 1990 to raise and compile funds for the protection and nurturing of the Buddhasasana. According to the said act, the Buddhasasana Fund should take actions to assist in the management of institutions that are involved in the protection and nurturing of the Buddhasasana, and also carry out all other constructive and incidental activities and things which facilitate the role of the Fund.

Accordingly, protecting the Buddhism and nourishing it, taking actions to propagate the Buddhasasana from improving facilities of temples with contributing to spiritual and social development of monks are carried out by the Buddhasasana Fund

1.1 Key functions

- Providing financial assistance to maintain novice institutions
- Conducting year-end examinations of novice institutes and holding novice institutions supervision board meetings.
- Providing medical aids for the monks and nuns
- Implementation of bursary programs for novice monks and student nuns.
- Implementation of practical training programs for the monks entered to the clergy life at their old age
- Providing financial assistance to provide sanitary facilities for the temples with difficulties in the island
- Payment of monthly allowance for taking care of monks over 85 years of age.
- Providing financial aids for temples/ Arama damaged by disasters
- Implementation of ‘Budduputh Suraksha’ Program.

2. Financial progress as at 30.09. 2025

Serial No	Project	No of beneficiaries	Cost Rs (M)
1	Program of providing financial aids to maintain novice institutions	15 novice institutions Number of monks	1.6
	Inspection of novice institutions	02 novice institutions	0.04
2	Developing physical facilities of the novice institutions	15 novice institutions	6.9
3	Providing medical aids for the monks and nuns.	80	1.49

4	Scholarship scheme for the novice monks and student nuns.	141	0.57
5	Practical raining program for the monks that entered clergy life the old age	Ratnapura (No of monks – 29) Hambantota No of monks – 22)	0.5
6	Project of providing assistance for sanitary facilities of temples with difficulties in the island	89 temples For building new toilets and repairing 02 toilets	18.5
7	Payment of monthly allowance for taking care of monks above 85 years of age	86	3.32
8	Providing financial aids for the temples/ Arama damaged by disasters	04 temples	4
9	Buduputh Suraksha health insurance program	23 requests for medical and hospital charges	0.98
Total			37.9

3. Staff of the Buddhasasana Fund

Serial No	Service Level	Approved Cadre
1	Senior	02 (Secretary and Accountant)
2	Tertiary	01 (Head of the branch)
3	Secondary	05 (03 Subject clerks, Stenographer)
4	Primary	03 (02 O.E.S., 01 Driver)

3.1 Staff at the present

Three development officers of combined service are serving in addition to Secretary and Accountant in the Buddhasasana Fund. One permanent Office Employee and a stenographer that had been recruited on casual basis are also serving in the Buddhasasana Fund

4. Financial Progress

Serial No	Program	No of beneficiaries
1	Program of providing financial aids to maintain novice institutions	15 novice institutions (Number of monks)
2	Inspection of novice institutions	02 novice institutions
3	Providing medical aids for the monks and nuns.	80
4	Scholarship scheme for the novice monks and student nuns.	141
5	Practical raining program for the monks that entered clergy life the old age	Ratnapura (No of monks – 29) Hambantota No of monks – 22)
6	Project of providing assistance for sanitary facilities of temples with difficulties in the island	89 temples
7	Payment of monthly allowance for taking care of monks above 85 years of age	For 86 monks and nuns
8	Providing financial aids for the temples/ Arama damaged by disasters	04 temples
9	Buduputh Suraksha health insurance program	23 requests for medical and hospital charges

5. Buduputh Suraksha health insurance program

5.1 Key function

Providing medical and hospital charges for the monks and nuns when they get sick and hospitalized.

5.2 Introduction

The monks/ Dasa Sil nuns not covered from any other insurance method are registered under this project and an entitlement is issued. In order to get registered in this program, an application should be obtained by the coordinating officers of Buddhist Affairs attached to the divisional secretariats and completed application should be sent to the ministry through the coordinating officer of Buddhist Affairs and divisional secretary. After receiving the entitlement, the application should be filled and submitted to the ministry along with the prescribed bills and medical reports through the coordinating officer of Buddhist Affairs with recommendation of divisional secretary. This project that has been implemented for the monks from 2019 has been spread for Dasa Sil nuns from 2022

8853 monks and 404 nuns have been registered till September of 2025. An amount of Rs 986, 481/- has been paid for 23 requests for medical and hospital charges from 01st January to 30th September 2025.

6. Special programs implemented from January to September in 2025

6.1 Granting assistance of Rs 500, 000/= for development of physical facilities of novice institutions

Development assistance was given for physical facilities development in 14 institutions out of 15 institutions currently registered and implemented from financial contribution of the Buddhasasana Fund as subject to an amount of Rs 500,000/= for an institution. Accordingly, financial aid has been given for each task as follows.

Serial No	Name of the institution	District	Divisional secretariat division	Project
1	Sri Gnananda novice institution	Kandy	Harispattuwa	Repairing monastery
2	Wimalagnana novice institution	Nuwara Eliya	Walapane	Repairing monastery
3	Sri Sarananda novice institution	Matara	Kotapola	Completion of works of partly constructed library building
4	Mihidu novice institution	Badulla	Meegahakiwula	Repairing monastery
5	Sumana novice institution	Monaragala	Wellawaya	Preparing railing of students hostel and toilet system
6	Sri Saranankara novice institution	Monaragala	Siyambalanduwa	Construction of a monastery
7	Siri Dhammarathana	Kandy	Kandy	Preparing a toilet system
8	Siri Dhammapala	Kandy	Gangawata Koralaya	Preparing a toilet system
9	Siri Sambuddhaloka	Kandy	Gangawata Koralaya	Preparing a new toilet system
10	Somananda	Anuradhapura	Horowpathana	Preparing a toilet system
11	Sri Jinarathana	Matale	Dambulla	Preparing bathrooms and a toilet system
12	Sudhammananda	Kandy	Katugasthota	Completion of works of partly constructed monastery building
13	Siri Samitharathana	Galle	Ambalangoda	Completion of works of the monastery
14	Ananda Bodhi	Colombo	Kaduwela	Completion of remaining works of the new monastery

6.2 Providing aids for renovation activities of temples/ Dasasil Matha Arama damaged by disasters

It has been decided to give Rs M 1 for renovations with an estimated amount to Rs M 4 and to give Rs M 2.5 for temples with renovations above Rs M 4 by the control board for renovation activities of temples/ Dasa Sil Arama damaged by natural disasters. According to that, aids have been given for following mentioned temples in September 2025 under the decision of submitting again to control board to consider about providing financial assistance again after completing constructions exceeding 50% by the fund for temples with an estimated amount than Rs M 4.

Serial No	Name of the temple	Divisional secretariat division	Cause of the aid	Amount given from the Buddhasasana Fund (Rs. Mn)
01	Buddhist Center, Pinikahana, Elpitiya	Elpitiya	Conducting works of rebuilding wall with Bodhi Prakara that was affected by landslide	1.00
02	Ashokaramaya, Wetanyaya, Muwandeniya	Rathgama	Construction works of monastery, Danashala and safety wall damaged by bad weather conditions	1.00
03	Sri Bodhirajaramaya, Mahawewa, Rambewa	Rambewa	Renovation of buildings (monastery, Danashala, Dharmashala) and Bodhi damaged by bad weather conditions	1.00
04	Sri Jananandaramaya, Agalagama, Seelagama, Belihuloya	Imbulpe	Construction of side wall as it is harmful to monastery due to the landslide of left shore	1.00

7. Programs to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

- Providing financial assistance to maintain novice institutions
- Conducting year-end examinations of novice institutes and holding novice institutions supervision board meetings.
- Providing medical aids for the monks and nuns
- Implementation of bursary programs for novice monks and student nuns.
- Implementation of practical training programs for the monks entered to the clergy life at their old age
- Providing financial assistance to provide sanitary facilities for the temples with difficulties in the island
- Providing financial assistance for the development of physical facilities in novice institutions (For preparing roof of the monastery of Ariyawansha novice institution)

- Payment of monthly allowance for taking care of monks over 85 years of age.
- Providing financial aids for temples/ Arama damaged by disasters
- Implementation of ‘Budduputh Suraksha’ Program.

8. Proposed programs for 2026

- Providing financial assistance to maintain novice institutions
- Conducting year-end examinations of novice institutes and holding novice institutions supervision board meetings.
- Providing medical aids for the monks and nuns
- Implementation of bursary programs for novice monks and student nuns.
- Implementation of practical training programs for the monks entered to the clergy life at their old age
- Providing financial assistance to provide sanitary facilities for the temples with difficulties in the island
- Payment of monthly allowance for taking care of monks over 85 years of age.
- Providing financial aids for temples/ Arama damaged by disasters
- Implementation of ‘Budduputh Suraksha’ Program.

Department of Buddhist Affairs

01.Vision and main Functions

1.1 Vision

“Towards a virtuous society which protects Buddhist principles”

1.2 Mission

“To achieve the continuous existence of an exemplary Buddhist society by creating a righteous and virtuous Society through properly organized and implementing of tasks for the furtherance and development of the Sambuddha Sasana”

1.3 Main Functions briefly

- Providing administrative assistance and regulating the use of Buddhist places of worship and properties for the perpetuation of the Buddha Sasana, which are the responsibilities vested in the Commissioner General of Buddhist Affairs by Vihara Devalagam Ordinance No. 19 of 1931.
- Coordination of Development activities of temples
- Improvement of Dhamma school education and the development of Dhamma schools
- Maintain registers by registering of all Samanera/ Upasampada Bhikkus in the island
- Administrative Activities

02. Allocations for the year 2025 (recurrent and capital) and financial progress as at 30th September of the year 2025 (recurrent and capital)

	Allocations for the year 2024 (As at 30.09.2025)	Expenditure as per Treasury Account Summary (RS. Million) (As at 30.09.2025)	Financial Progress (As at 30.09.2025)
Recurrent	1,837,000,000.00	669,064,505.56	669,064,505.56
Capital	133,000,000.00	5,756,239.82	5,756,239.82
Total	1,970,000,000.00	674,820,745.38	674,820,745.38

03. Cadre information as at 30.09.2025

Service category	Approved cadre	Existing cadre	Number of Vacancies
Senior level	19	13	06
Tertiary level	1	1	00
Secondary level	776	672	104
Primary level	39	33	06
Total	835	719	116

04. Progress of all programs/projects done from January to September (Third quarter) 2025.

4.1 Dhamma School Division

Provisions allocated for the Dhamma School Division for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025

The amount of provision allocated for the year 2025 - Rs. 1052.9 million			
The amount of provision allocated for each subject and progress as at 30.09.2025			
Serial No	Subject / Vote	Amount of provision allocated (Rs. Million)	Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Million)
01	Printing of Dhamma School Textbooks (201-2-2-001-1501)	156	10.662
02	Conducting Dhamma School Examinations (201-2-2-005-1508)	38.7	10.318
03	All-Island Dhamma School Competition (201-2-2-006-1508)	75	44.893
04	Providing Facilities for Dhamma School Teachers (201-2-2-015-1501)	750	662.62
05	Dhamma School Teachers' Certificate Examination (201-2-2-000-1409(13))	3.8	1.645
06	Daham Sarasaviya Diploma Course (201-2-211-2202)	10	1.769
07	Dhamma School Teacher Training Program (201-2-2-11-2202)		
08	Publications of the Tripitaka (201-2-2-000-1409(011))	15	2.196
09	Dhamma School Teacher Student Registers - 2025(201-2-2-000-1409(7))	0.2	0.2
10	All Island Dhamma School Day (201-2-2-000-1409) (7)	1	1
11	Dhamma School Teacher Identity Cards (201-2-2-000-1409) (7)	0.2	
12	Inter-religious Coexistence Program (201-2-2-000-1409(7))	3	
Total		1052.9	735.3

Progress of all programs in the Dhamma School Division

01. Dhamma School Student Development

• Distribution of Dhamma School Textbooks

The Editing, Printing and distribution of Dhamma School Textbooks are carried out by the Dhamma School Division. The text books printed by the Government Press are distributed to the Shasanarakshaka Mandalas through the text book warehouse of the Department of Buddhist Affairs located in Veyangoda. The printing of 1.34 million text books for the year

2026 has been entrusted to the Government Press. The amount of provision allocated for the Dhamma School Textbooks subject for this year is Rs. 156 million. The amount of provision spent as at 30.09.2025 is Rs. 10.66 million.

Number of districts where textbooks are distributed - 23
Divisional Shasanarakshaka Mandals - 328
Number of students - 1,647,166
Number of registered Dhamma schools - 10,810

- **Dhamma School Grade 06 - 10 Examination - 2025**

The Dhamma School Grade 6 - 10 Examination is conducted every year with the aim of testing the Dhamma knowledge of students studying in all Dhamma schools throughout Sri Lanka and evaluating them. The Grade 6 - 10 Examination -2025 is scheduled to be held on 14th December 2025 and the amount of provision allocated for the Grade Examination- 2025 is Rs. 38.7 million. The amount of provision spent is Rs. 10.31 million as at 30.09.2025.

Grade 6 - 10 Examination - 2025

Number of Districts where the examination will be held - 23
Number of Registered Dhamma Schools - 10,810
Approximately Examination Centers - 3,600
Approximately Students Expected to sit for the Examination - 750,000

Grade 6 - 10 Examination - 2024

Number of Districts where the examination was conducted - 23
Number of Registered Dhamma Schools - 10,646
Number of Examination Centers - 3,667
Number of Students Who sat for the Examination - 526,666
Number of Students Who Passed the Examination - 433,738
Percentage of Passed Students - 82%

- **All- Island Student Skills Assessment Program**

The Dhamma School Student Skills Assessment Program is conducted under four stages namely Dhamma Schools, Divisional, District and All-Island. The All-Island Student Skills Assessment Program in 2025 has been completed at the divisional level, covering 328 Shasanarakshaka Mandals in 23 districts. The district competition is scheduled to be held on 05th October 2025 and the All- Island assessment Program is scheduled to be held on 25th, 26th, 27th of December 2025. The allocation for the Student Skills Assessment Program in 2025 is Rs. 75 million. The provision spent as at the 30th September 2025 is Rs. 44.89 million.

Students selected to the Divisional level at the Dhamma school level - 418,364
Students selected to the district level from the Divisional level - 13,448
Students selected to the all-Island assessment level from the district level - 943
Students selected to the first place in the all-Island assessment level - 41

- **Inter-religious co-existence Program**

This program provides to Dhamma school children with the opportunity to observe the rituals and ceremonies performed in each religion by simply explaining the teachings by each religious priests, provide an understanding of other religions, and provide an opportunity to visit places of worship of all religions. This program is scheduled to be held in the Kalutara district in 2025 and will be a residential program for three days with the participation of 80 Dhamma school students representing all religions including Buddhist, Catholic, Hindu and Islamic. The amount of provision allocated for the Inter-Religious Coexistence Program is Rs. 3 million for the year 2025.

02.Development of Dhamma School Teachers

- **Granting of allowances for Dhamma School Teachers**

The granting teacher allowance and uniform allowance to teachers who have completed three years of continuous service in the Dhamma School teaching service and to teachers who have completed one year of continuous service was carried out in the year 2025.

The annual amount given to teachers is determined according to the provisions allocated by the Treasury. The allowance has been paid at the rate of Rs. 2000/- each from 2006 and paid the said allowance of Rs. 5000/- each from 2017. In the year 2025, teachers who completed three years of continuous service were paid Rs. 7,500/- each as teacher allowance and uniform allowance, and teachers who completed one year of continuous service were paid Rs. 5,000/- each as teacher allowance.

Accordingly, these allowances have been granted to 96,168 teachers on 30.09.2025, including teacher allowance and uniform allowance for 72,712 teachers who have completed 3 years of continuous service and teacher allowance for 23,456 teachers who have completed 1 year of continuous service. The amount of provision allocated for the year 2025 is Rs. 750 million. The amount of provision spent up to 30.09.2025 is Rs. 662.62 million.

- **Teachers Certificate examination**

There are a number of primary objectives for conducting the Dhamma School Teacher Certificate Examination, which is unique to Dhamma School teachers and has a higher response for the teachers, enhancing the educational qualifications of Dhamma schools teachers who are now in service, appreciating the services of teachers and further development of the knowledge and motivating them to the higher education, creating social recognition for Dhamma school teachers and thereby getting the people to appreciate their services and fulfilling basic qualifications of Dhamma school Teachers in the service. The Dhamma School Teacher Certificate Examination in the year 2025 has been held on June 21 2025 and 3597 students sat for the said examination. 3,144 teachers have been passed of the said Examination. The amount of provision allocated for the year 2025 is Rs.3.8 million. The amount of provision spent up to the 30.09. 2025is Rs.1.64 million.

Teachers Certificate examination- 2025

Number of centers that the examination held - 20

Number of teachers sat for the examination - 3,597

Number of teachers passed - 3,144

Percentage of the teachers that passed- 87%

• **Daham Sarasaviya Buddha Dharma diploma course**

Daham Sarasaviya diploma course which was commenced in the year 2006, was jointly implemented with the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka and University of Sri Jayewardenepura. From 2018, this course was become into an Advanced Diploma course and implemented jointly with the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka in the 2018/2019 academic year and implemented with the University of Sri Jayewardenepura in the 2021/2022 academic year as a second batch of students. The Dhamma Sarasaviya Buddhadharma Advanced Diploma Course is being conducted in 19 districts all over the island and so far, nearly 1,0000Dhamma school teachers have been become Advanced Diploma holders and Diploma holders. Necessary actions are being taken to select a suitable university to implement the Dhamma Sarasaviya Buddhadharma Advanced Diploma Course for the 2026/2027 academic year.

• **Conducting Dhamma School Teacher Skills Development Training Workshop**

Training programs are being implemented to develop the knowledge of teachers engaged in teaching activities in Dhamma schools and for this purpose, training programs are being conducted under 05 subject-specific modules to establish a pool of teacher training resource persons who are well-equipped with knowledge.

Resource person Training programme - 2025			
Serial No	Programme	Participated districts for the programme	Number of officers
01.	Kurunegala Program	Kurunegala	90
02.	Ratnapura Programme	Ratnapura, Badulla, Monaragala	51

The amount of provision allocated for the Dhaham Sarasaviya Advanced Diploma Course and the amount of provision allocated for the Dhamma School Teacher Training Subject is Rs. 10 million in the year 2025. The amount of provision spent up to 30.09.2025is Rs. 1.76 million.

03. Dhamma School Management and Development

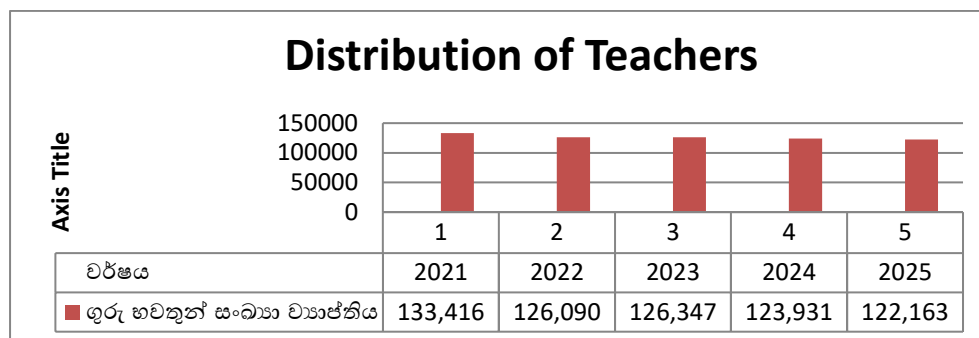
• **The collection of Annual Teacher Student Information**

This program is implemented annually with the aim of obtaining necessary information for planning and policy decision-making and targeting the development of Dhamma school students and teachers. In accordance with the information obtained in the year 2025, there are 10,810 registered Dhamma schools in 23 districts, out of them 10,204 are in active. The total number of 122,018 teachers have been registered as Dhamma school teachers, including

13,897 Bikkus, 547 Silmathas (nuns), 18,572 male teachers and 89,002 female teachers. As mentioned above, 1,647,166 students are obtaining Dhamma education under the Dhamma schools in active level. 799,131 are male students and 848,035 are female students among them.

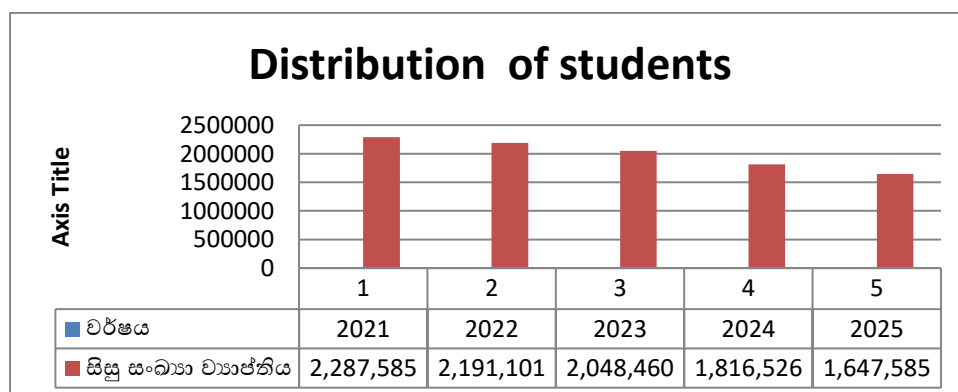
Participation of Dhamma School Teachers in Sri Lanka (2021 – 2025)

Serial No	Year	Distribution of teachers
1	2021	133,416
2	2022	126,090
3	2023	126,347
4	2024	123,931
5	2025	122,018



Student growth of Dhamma schools in Sri Lanka (2021 – 2025)

Serial No	Year	Distribution of number of Students
01	2021	2,287,585
02	2022	2,191,101
03	2023	2,048,460
04	2024	1,816,526
05	2025	1,647,166



- **Dhamma School Day Celebration**

The National Dhamma School Day Celebration is held every year on the 3rd August to commemorate the opening of the first Buddhist Dhamma school in Sri Lanka, the Vijayananda Dhamma School, Weliswatta, Galle on the 3rd August 1895. The growth of the Dhamma school education field, which currently has 10,810 registered Dhamma schools spread across 23 districts, is also shown in the number of 1,647,166 Dhamma school students and 122,018 teachers. The amount of provision allocated for the year 2025 is Rs. 1 million. The amount of provision spent up to the 30.09.2025 is Rs. 1 million.

- **The Preparation of Dhamma School Teacher Identity Card**

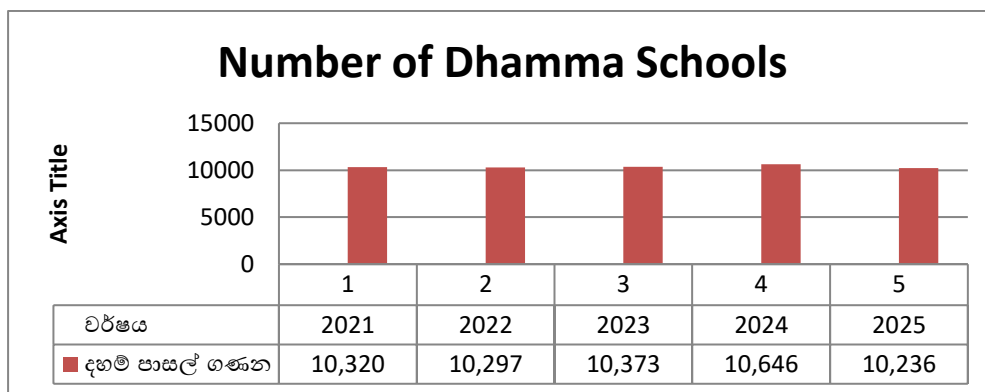
Teacher identity cards are issued to Dhamma school teachers who have completed one year of continuous service period. The necessary actions are being taken place to print the identity cards. 2,000 printed identity cards are scheduled to be printed under the first stage.

- **Registration of Dhamma Schools**

All Buddhist Dhamma Schools established with the aim of creating a virtuous society are registered by the Dhamma Schools Division of the Department of Buddhist Affairs. Presently, 10,810 Dhamma Schools have been registered all over the island. Out of them 10,204 Dhamma Schools are currently in active.

Number of active Dhamma schools in Sri Lanka (2021 – 2025)

Serial No	Year	Number of Dhamma Schools
1	2021	10,320
2	2022	10,297
3	2023	10,373
4	2024	10,646
5	2025	10,204



04. The Implementation of other programmes

- **Translation of Tripitaka Books into simple Sinhala**

The complete Tripitaka Pali Dhamma written in Pali language books has been translated into Sinhala by the Books Editorial Board at the request of the Buddhist community on the

occasion of the completion of 2500 years (C.C 1956) with the Parinirvana of Sri Sambuddha and 57 books have been printed under the name of the Buddha Jayanthi Tripitaka series.

In 1993, it was decided to rewrite the Sinhala translation of the first Buddha Jayanthi Tripitaka series into simple Sinhala language to make it easier for Sinhala readers to read and understand these translations and the summarized Tripitaka Books editorial board has been established in consist of the most ven.Maha Nayaka Theros. Tripitaka books compiled by the board as established are printed by the government press and popularized among the community.

Out of the 57 books belonging to the Sambuddha Jayanthi Tripitaka, 55 are proposed to be translated. So far, 37 books have been combined and the work on 30 books has been completed and published.

Two completed books are scheduled to be published. For the year 2025, the provision of the amount of Rs. 15 million has been allocated under the subject for translating the Tripitaka into simple Sinhala, the amount of the provision spent is Rs. 2.19 million up to the 30.09.2025.

- **Buddha Jayanthi Bookstore**

The Buddha Jayanthi Bookstore is operated under the Department of Buddhist Affairs to provide a number of unique Dhamma books for the public by charging only the printing cost that it is a great help in the development of Dhamma knowledge of the public.

- **Implementation of the Dhamma School Application software**

This software is used to forward letters and circulars sent by the Department of Buddhist Affairs to the Dhamma schools to make aware the Dhamma school system at minimal cost and expeditiously, to issue the results of the Teacher Certificate Examination and to call for applications for the examination. And also, Dhamma school text books, teacher manuals, teacher examinations and student competency question papers have also been included in this software to be used as reference.

- **Maintaining and updating the Dhamma School website**

A website called Dhamma School Web is maintained that the information in the Dhamma School Division can be exchanged among officers and viewed instantly and also can only be accessed by officers of the division.

Programs to be implemented in the 4th quarter of 2025

Serial No	Subject /Vote
01.	Printing of Dhamma School Textbooks (201-2-2-001-1501)
02.	Conducting Dhamma School Examinations (201-2-2-005-1508)
03.	All-Island Dhamma School Competition (201-2-2-006-1508)
04.	Dhaham Sarasaviya Diploma Course (201-2-211-2202)
05.	Dhamma School Teacher Training Program (201-2-2-11-2202)
06.	Publications of the Tripitaka (201-2-2-000-1409(011)
07.	Dhamma School Teacher Student Registers - 2025 (201-2-2-000-1409(7)
08.	Dhamma School Teacher Identity Cards (201-2-2-000-1409)(7)
09.	Inter-religious Coexistence Program(201-2-2-000-1409(7)

Proposed programs for the year 2026

Serial No	Subject / Vote
01.	Printing of Dhamma School Textbooks (201-2-2-001-1501)
02.	Conducting Dhamma School Examinations (201-2-2-005-1508)
03.	All-Island Dhamma School Competition (201-2-2-006-1508)
05.	Dhamma School Teachers' Certificate Examination (201-2-2-000-1409(13))
06.	Dhaham Sarasaviya Diploma Course (201-2-211-2202)
07.	Dhamma School Teacher Training Program (201-2-2-11-2202)
08.	Publications of the Tripitaka (201-2-2-000-1409(011))
09.	Dhamma School Teacher Student Registers - 2025 (201-2-2-000-1409(7))
10.	All-Island Dhamma Schools Day(201-2-2-000-1409)(7)
11.	Dhamma School Teacher Identity Cards(201-2-2-000-1409)(7)
12.	Inter-religious Coexistence Program(201-2-2-000-1409(7))
13.	Spiritual Development and Dhamma School Management
14.	Pilot Dhamma School Development Programme
15.	Guru Abhimani Dhamma Suwasaviya Programme
16.	Development of Buddha Jayanthi Bookstore

4.2 Development Division

• State Vesak Festival

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-02-1409-005National Vesak Festival	12

This year State Vesak Festival was held at the Nuwara Eliya International Buddhist Centre in the Nuwara Eliya District with the participation of a large community. The State Festival was held at the Nuwara Eliya Municipal Council Auditorium under the patronage of His Excellency President Anura Kumara Dissanayake and with the participation of honorable Bikkus. In line with the Vesak Week, festival was implemented covering 336 temples and 09 Silmatha monasteries in the district and programs were implemented under seven Vesak themes.

- Implementation of Vesak inauguration programs in line with the State Vesak Festival all over the island.
- “Clean Sri Lanka” Environmental Conservation Program
- Poya Day Programme
- Value development Programme
- Bikkus and Silmatha Training Programme
- Spiritual Development Programs
- Healthy Life

The total amount of Rs. 9.85 million spent for the programs implemented under the said themes.

- **Commemoration of Anubudu Mihindu Thero (State Poson Festival)**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-02-1409-009 Commemoration of Anubudu Mihindu Thero	5

This year State Poson Festival was held at the Mihintale Rajamaha Viharaya in the Anuradhapura District with the participation of the public. The State Festival was held at the Mihintale sacred place under the patronage of His Excellency President Anura Kumara Dissanayake and with the participation of honorable Nayaka Theros.

- **Pirith Chanting Festival of National Independence Day**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 ,Rs. Million
201-2-02-1409-007 Pirith Chanting festival of National Independence Day	1.7

In line with the Independence Day celebration on February 4th every year, the All-Night Pirith Pingkama is held with the participation of the Hon. President and Hon. Prime Minister on the 2nd of February. This time, under the guidance of the Most Venerable Mahanayake Theros of the Siyam Maha Nikaya, the All-Night Pirith chanting was held at the *Nidahas Mandiraya* under the patronage of Hunupitiya Gangaramaya Viharaya and the following morning, alms giving was offered to 25 Bikkus.

The Buddhist religious ceremonies are organized around one temple out of the all-religious practices which were held on the Independence Day morning. Accordingly, the religious ceremonies of Independence Day - 2025 were held on the morning of February 04th at the Sri Dharmakithyarama Pirivena Temple in Kollupitiya. The amount of Rs. 1.7 million was spent for the entire program.

- **Silmatha Oranizations**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 ,Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409- 7 Silmatha Organizations	02

As per the Buddhasasana Presidential Commission report – 2002, Silmatha registration activities are being carried out and under this, Silmatha Boards are being implemented at the national and district levels under this way. Accordingly, the amount of Rs. 1,971,050.00 has been spent in the year 2025 for the implementation of Silmatha Mandala and 02 All-Island National Board meetings and 36 District Silmatha Board meetings have been held so far.

- **Administration cost of Nikaya Head office**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025, Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409- 7 Adminstration cost of Nikaya head office	1.2

By considering the number of temples administrated under each sect, the office allowance is provided for the maintenance of the sect head office. Under this purpose the amount of Rs. 20,000.00 per month as office employee and driver allowance, the amount of Rs. 240,000.00 per year to be provided to the sect and sect head office. Accordingly, the payment of entire amount allocated for the year 2025 has been completed by now.

Nikaya chap.	the amount granted
Malwathu chapter of Siam Nikaya	240,000.00
Asgiri chapter of Siam Nikaya	240,000.00
Sri Lanka Amarapura Maha Nikaya	240,000.00
Sri Lanka Ramagnna Maha Nikaya	240,000.00
Sri Lanka Kotte Kalyani Samagri Sangha Sabha	240,000.00
Total	1,200,000.00

- Operational cost of Silmatha training institutes**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409-7 Operational cost of Silmatha training institutes	06

This department maintains 03 Silmatha Training Institutes at Mulatiyana, Kelaniya and Anuradhapura. These programs are implemented by said institutions throughout the year with the aim of enhancing the knowledge of Silmathas. Accordingly, an expenditure of Rs. 4.941 million has been incurred in this year for the operational expenses as providing food, water, electricity, security, sanitation services and employee salaries and other allowances for the Silmathas who are undergoing training at these three institutions.

“Kusalassa Upasampada” is an attitude development training program for the generation of virtuous Bikkus.

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409- 7 Training Buddhist Bikkus	03

The Ministry of Buddha Sasana and the Department of Buddhist Affairs jointly implement the training programs at the district level as per the instructions of the most honorable Mahanayake Theros and learnt Bikkus (Scholars). The amount of Rs. 3 million has been allocated for the training of Buddhist Bikkus in the year 2025 and 05 programs have been conducted up to now under the said allocation. Over the amount of Rs. 1.218 million has been spent for this purpose.

- Silmatha Training**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409- 7 Silmatha Training	03.5

Five (05) programs were held at the Silmatha Training Institutes in Kelaniya and Anuradhapura with the aim of enhancing the knowledge of Silmathas. The amount of Rs. 2.6 million has been spent for this purpose.

- **Upasampada Festival**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409-10 Upasampada Festival	03.

The Department of Buddhist Affairs provides state sponsorship for the Upasampada ceremonies organized by all sects and sectschapters. Accordingly, the amount of Rs. 3000 is paid for the travel expenses of new Upasampada Bikkus. The amount of Rs. 2.805 million has been spent so far in the year 2025 under this purpose.

Serial No	Sect.	Number of upasampada (ordained) monks	Provisions allocated (Rs..)
01	Maha Viharavansika Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte Kalyani Samagri dharma MahaS angha Sabha	58	174,000.00
02	Amarapura Mulavansika Maha Nikaya	23	69,000.00
03	Amarapura Siri Saddhamavansa Nikaya	37	111,000.00
04	Sabaragamuwa Amarapura Samagri Sangha Sabha	24	72,000.00
05	Uva Siam MahaNikaya	8	24,000.00
06	Sri Lanka Ramanna Maha Nikaya of Maha Viharavansika	345	1,035,000.00
07	Rohana Chapter of the SyamopaliMahaNikaya of Maha Viharavansika	40	120,000.00
08	Malwatte Asgiri Chapter of the Syamopali Maha Nikaya	400	1,200,000.00
09	Total	935	2,805,000.00

- **Implementation of the Shasanarakshaka Board (Mandala)**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409-12	10

The Department of Buddhist Affairs provides facilities for the operation of the All-Island Shasanarakshaka Mandala, which has been established under the All-Island Shasanarakshaka Mandala (Incorporation) Act No. 16 of 2014. Under this, the conduct of elections for the All-Island, District and divisional Shasanarakshaka Mandals, the holding of Executive Council meetings and the payment of stationery and travel expenses for the Registrars of the divisional Shasanarakshaka Mandals throughout the island are carried out. From the year

2025 to up to now, the amount of rupees 1,156,846.00 has been incurred for the meeting, travel expenses and accommodation facilities, stationery and postal expenses.

- **The cremation of Buddhist monks**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-1409-14 The cremation of Buddhist monks	10

This department contributes to the cremation of Buddhist Bikkusby conducting the cremation ceremonies of the passed away Mahanayake Theros with the full state honors, providing state patronage to the chief Nayaka Theros, and providing allocations to the regional Bikkus ,So far in the year 2025, the amount of Rs. 2,455,000.00 has been spent on the cremation ceremonies for the passed away Bikkus.

- **Summary up to September 30, 2025**

Serial No	Month	Number of Bikkus passed away	Total Provisions granted
01	January	29	337,500.00
02	February	20	245,000.00
03	March	21	230,000.00
04	April	33	355,000.00
05	May	24	120,000.00
06	June	23	350,000.00
07	July	27	385,000.00
08	August	15	142,500.00
09	September	26	290,000.00
	Total		2,455,000.00

- **Updating Buddhist Encyclopaedia**

The Buddhist Encyclopaedias the basic Buddhist book that clarifies the main concepts of all subjects related to the Buddhism. It is to be timely updated andshould continue to develop the book in line with the development of Buddhism in the world. Presently 08 volumes of books had been completed and the task of preparing the index volume for these books has already been completed. It remains to be printed as a book upon the inspection again.

The amount of Rs. 05 million has been allocated in the budget of year 2025 and all the posts of Chief Editor, Deputy Editor, Sub-Editor and Assistant Editor serving in that office have become vacant. As per the recommendation 3.3 of the Cabinet Memorandum No. MBRCA/1/07/2023/CP/27 submitted to the Cabinet on 13.11.2023 by the Ministry of Buddha Shasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, it has been decided that the Buddhist Encyclopedia should be maintained under the patronage of the selected Buddhist University. Since the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka has expressed its interest for the maintaining the Buddhist Encyclopedia, it is scheduled to be carried out the future activities in this regard.

- **Providing facilities for Dhamma schools**

Vote	The amount of Provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-8-2205 – Providing facilities for Dhamma schools (Development of underdeveloped Dhamma schools in line with the State Vesak Festival)	50.5

In line with the State Vesak Festival to enhance the facilities of underdeveloped Dhamma schools across the island, 38 projects have been implemented in the Nuwara Eliya District where the State Vesak Festival was held in 2025 and 372 projects covering other districts of the island, Provisions of Rs. 49.055 million have been allocated for this and sent to the District Secretariats.

Serial No	District	Number of Projects	The amount of Provision sent Rs. Million
1	Nuwara Eliya	38	6.45
2	Colombo	04	0.6
3	Gampaha	08	1.4
4	Kalutara	04	0.9
5	Galle	37	4.5
6	Matara	61	5.8
7	Hambantota	02	0.5
8	Kandy	21	2.04
9	Matale	10	1.1
10	Ratnapura	16	2.15
11	Kegalle	25	2.8
12	Badulla	13	1.9
13	Monaragala	05	1.2
14	Kurunegala	64	6.46
15	Anuradhapura	26	3.05
16	Polonnaruwa	20	2.47
17	Ampara	27	2.835
18	Trincomalee	29	2.9
Total		410	49.055

Summary of the number of projects implemented and the amount of provisions allocated for each district accordingly.

Serial no	District	Building constructions	Distributing equipment	Total	Provision Rs. Millions
1	Nuwara Eliya	10	28	38	6.45
2	Colombo	01	03	04	0.6
3	Gampaha	05	03	08	1.4
4	Kalutara	02	02	04	0.9
5	Galle	04	33	37	4.5
6	Matara	01	60	61	5.8
7	Hambantota	01	01	02	0.5

8	Kandy	02	19	21	2.04
9	Matale	01	09	10	1.1
10	Ratnapura	02	14	16	2.15
11	Kegalle	03	22	25	2.8
12	Badulla	03	10	13	1.9
13	Monaragala	03	02	05	1.2
14	Kurunegala	01	63	64	6.46
15	Anuradhapura	03	23	26	3.05
16	Polonnaruwa	02	18	20	2.47
17	Ampara	01	26	27	2.835
18	Trincomalee	00	29	29	2.9
19	Puttalam	02	09	11	1.7
Total		45	365	410	49.055

- **Providing Facilities for Shasanarakshaka Boards**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-8-2205 Providing Facilities for Shasanarakshaka Boards	1.5

Facilities are provided for the activities of the Shasanarakshaka Mandala under the annual budget provision. Accordingly, the necessary office equipment including computers are provided to the Divisional Secretariats to perform the activities of the Regional Shasanarakshaka Mandala more efficiently. Due to the economic and political crises in the country in the years 2022 and 2023, the provisions allocated for this vote were re appropriated based on the management of public expenditure based on the liquidity situation in the consolidated Fund and the priorities to be given based on national needs.

Three computers were purchased and provided to the divisional Office officers with the provision of Rs. 1 million allocated in the year 2024. Provisions of Rs. 1.5 million have been allocated for the year 2025, and laptops and two computer printers have been purchased. It is scheduled to purchase 05 more laptops under the remaining allocations.

- **Development of Silamatha Institutes**

Vote	The amount of provision in the year 2025 Rs. Million
201-2-2-10-2205 Development of Silamatha INstitutes	20

Three Silmatha Training Institutes are being existed under this department.

- The New Sanghamittarama Silmatha Training Institute located on Arippuwa Road, Anuradhapura conducts courses in the study of the Tripitaka Dhamma required for developing the knowledge of the Silmathas.

- It is planned to conduct courses in *Prachina* languages and English, Tamil, Chinese and other languages required to develop language knowledge under the Silmatha Training Institute in Kelaniya, Eriyawetiya.
- The Mulatiyana Piyadasa Ratnayake Silmatha Training Institute conducts the basic course on the religious practices of the Silmathas and the long-term course called Saddhammavedini.

Accordingly, the amount of Rs. 20 million has been allocated in the budget-2025 for the development of the three Seelamatha institutions. According to the said provisions, Rs. 11.2 million has been allocated for the completion of the construction of kitchen and the roof repair of the old building of the New Sanghamittarama Silmatha Training Institute in Anuradhapura and Rs. 8.8 million has been allocated for the completion of the third floor of the three-storey building of the Mulatiyana Piyadasa Ratnayake Silmatha Training Institute and sent to the District Secretariats. It has been planned to be air-conditioning the lecture hall of the Eriyawetiya Silmatha Training Institute and repair the drainage system.

Progress regarding registrations in the Development Sector from 01.01.2025 to 31.09.2025

01	Number of registered Silmathas (nuns)	218
02	Number of registered Silmatha monasteries	08
03	Number of registered temple contribution council	85
04	Number of registered Silmatha monastery contribution council	01
05	Number of Silmatha disrobing certificates issued	36
06	Number of Silmatha identity cards issued	55

4.3 Vihara Devalagam division

Main functions of the Vihara Devalagam Division

The functions are organized under 02 main streams.

- (a) Vihara Devalagam activities
- (b) As Legal and judicial activities

(a) Activities of Vihara Devalagam division

- Performing duties in accordance with sections 4(1) and 4(2) of the Buddhist Temporalities Ordinance No. 19 of 1931.
- Activities related to the appointment of Basnayake Nilames and Trustees
- Obtaining and verifying the accuracy of the estimated budget and bi- annual actual expenditure reports
- Issuing accepting letters of chief Incumbent and official duties related the issues regarding them
- Registration of Temples
- Duties related to leases of lands and properties belonged to the temples

- Activities related to the release of funds in the accounts of passed away monks
- Duties related to the release of compensation due on acquisition of temple properties (compensation and interest deposited in the Department of the public Trustee)
- Duties related to the transferring of vehicles of passed away monks
- Providing information related to requests made under the Information Act
- Appearing as a witness on behalf of the Commissioner General of Buddhist Affairs in the legal proceedings regarding places of worship.

Legal and Judicial Affairs

- Obtaining the assistance of the Attorney General in judicial proceedings in which the Department, Heads of Department or an officer has been named as a party, preparation of necessary documents and reports and appearing in court.
- Maintaining case files.
- Obtaining advice from the Attorney General.
- Submitting observations on the ownership of places of worship.
- Inspecting tax drafts.
- Carrying out activities related to the preparation of amendments to acts, regulations and other legal documents.

The progress as at 30.09.2025

(A) Activities of Vihara Devalagam Division

Serial No	Duties to be performed	Total
1	Registration of Temples	59
2	Acceptance of letters of appointment of Incumbent	257
3	Revision of the post of Incumbent	29
4	Inquiries on confirmation from the most venerable Maha Nayaka Thero regarding the position of Incumbent	39
5	Revision of the Nikaya chapter	07
6	Obtaining reports regarding new places of worship	70
7	Obtaining approval regarding new places of worship from the Ministry of Buddhasashana	56
8	Solving problems regarding new places of worship	166
9	Giving evidences by appearing in the court regarding ownership of the places of worship	20
10	Giving recommendations regarding the places of worship	00
11	Giving recommendations regarding the granting of Pooja Deeds	00
12	Granting letters with respect to the ownership of the property	22
13	Granting letters confirming the residence	08
14	Leasing of properties belonged to the places of worship and related duties (obtaining divisional secretary reports, valuation reports and including the preparation of tax bills)	74
15	Obtaining Estimated Budget Reports	46
16	Obtaining of bi-annual budget documents	16
17	Taking Legal Proceedings regarding the Accounts of passed away Bikkus	87
18	Transferring Vehicles of passed away Bikkus	11

19	Giving approval for cutting trees belonged to the places of worship	16
20	Holding elections to appoint Basnayake Nilame	06
21	Holding special meetings for solving problems	10
22	Necessary steps to be taken in respect of issues and allegations submitted by various parties	97
23	Obtaining instructions and advices from the most venerable Maha Nayaka Thero	72
24	Providing information to other legal entities	41
25	Providing information requested from other institutions related to Act.	79
26	Necessary steps to be taken regarding letters forwarded by the President's office	63
27	Taking actions in respect of letters received from the Prime Minister's Office	40
28	Giving recommendations to the land registrars related to registration of deeds	13
29	Granting advices to the places of worship or regional offices regarding audit reports	04
30	Releasing trustee security bond	01
31	Deposit of Security Bond	15
32	Forwarding letters to the regional offices	229
33	Obtaining Divisional Secretary Reports	114
34	Appointment of Trustees	10
35	Miscellaneous letters	117

4.4 Registration Division of Bhikkus

The functions of the Bhikkhu Registration

- Registration of new Samanera and Upasampada declarations
- Issue of disrobed certificates.
- Issuance of certified copies of registered samanera and upasampada declarations.
- Make necessary amendments to the samanera and upasampada declarations.
- Issuance of Bhikkhu Identity Cards.
- Conducting Training Programmes for New Samanera and Upasampada Bikkus.

Main Functions

- Registration of new Samanera declarations
- Registration of new Upasampada declarations
- Issuance of certified copies of registered samanera and upasampada declarations.
- Make necessary amendments to the samanera and upasampada declarations.
- Issue of disrobed certificates.
- Provide necessary evidence in case of legal issues.
- Issue of disrobed certificates

Special programmes

- Conducting necessary training programs for the development of knowledge, attitudes and skills of the new samanera and upasampada monks.
- Conducting necessary training programs for the development of attitudes of university entrance student Bikkus
- Preparation of computerized files by scanning documents of Samanera and Upasampada

Performance Report related to the main functions from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025

- Number of new Samanera declaration registered - 2394
- Number of new Upasampada Bhikkus declaration registered - 0422
- Number of copies of Samanera and Upasampada certificates issued - 10900
- Number of Samanera and Upasampada declaration revised - 0440
- Number of dis-robing certificates issued - 1633
- Number of Bhikku identity cards issued - 0069

Performance Report related to the special programmes from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025.

- **Computerization of Samanera and upasampada documents and information**

According to the temporalities Ordinance bearing No. 19 of 1931, all Bhikkus who enter to the clergy and become ordination must be registered in the Department of Buddhist Affairs. Since this Ordinance becomes enforce up to now (31.08.2025) Samanera Bikkus of 125693 and 62906 Upasampada Bikkus have been registered in the Department of Buddhist Affairs. The registered Samanera and Upasampada certificates have been scanned and soft files of 100 certificates each have been prepared.

Using the soft files prepared in this way, the regional offices of the department in Ratnapura, Kandy and Kurunegala will issue copies of Samanera and Upasampada certificates and by further expanding this service, arrangements have been made to issue copies from all District Secretariats in the island (except Colombo, Kandy, Kurunegala and Ratnapura) from March 2020.

Conducting training programs necessary for the development of knowledge, attitudes and skills of new Samanera and Upasampada Bikkus

The Ministry of Buddhasasana, Cultural and Religious Affairs and the Department of Buddhist Affairs jointly launched a district-level training program called Kusalassa Upasampada for new Samanera and Upasampada Bikkus living in Sri Lanka, in accordance with the guidance of the Most Venerable Mahanayake Thero and well educated Bikkus and it was commenced in 2017 and proceeded up to now.

Objectives

- To provide training for the New Samanera and Upasampada Bikkus currently residing in Sri Lanka with the basic knowledge and practical training required to be successfully lead a successful in the religious life, religious practices and ordination.

- To provide training to Samanera (novice) and Upasampada Bikkus for performing religious duties and to develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes of the Bikkus.

During the period up to 30.09.2025, 02 programs were conducted, namely 01 training program for the entrance Bikkus of Buddhasravaka Bhiksu University, Anuradhapura and 01 training program for the new Samanera Upasampada Bikkus, at the Pannipitiya Devram Maha Viharaya. The progress of these programs is shown below.

Date	Place	Number of Participants	Cost
From 20.01.2025 to 25.01.2025 (Training program for university entrance Bikkus)	Sri Devram Maha Viharaya, Pannipitiya	88	No
From 12.08.2025 to 19.08.2025 (Training program for new Samanera Upasampada Bikkus)	Sri Devram Maha Viharaya, Pannipitiya	111	224261.00
Total		199	224261.00

Arrangements have been made to hold 04 training programs for university- entrance Bikkus and new Samanera Bikkus during the period from September to December in the year 2025.

Particulars of the training programs for the year 2026

During the period from January to December 2026, 12 training programs are scheduled to be held at the Sri Devram Vihara Maha Viharaya in Pannipitiya, with the participation of 100 university- entrance Bikkus and new samanera Upasampada Bikkus under the “Kusalassa Upasampada” training program.

Details of special programs for the year 2025

- Issuing special Bhikkhu identity cards for Bikkus in addition to the National Identity Card issued by the Department of Registration of Persons.
- Conducting 04 training programs for new Samanera Bikkus.
- Conducting 05 programs for new Upasampada (ordained) Bikkus
- Conducting a training program for university entrance Bikkus.

Department of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs

01. Mission and Main Tasks

1.1. Introduction

The Department of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs was instituted officially on 1st of January, 1986 by the cabinet decision dated on 2nd October, 1985 (1985/123-12). It is mandated to handle all matters related to Hindu Religious Affairs in Sri Lanka.

1.2. Mission

To Preserve, Promote and Propagate of Hindu Religion by providing quality client-centric programmes through innovation, teamwork and community support.

1.3. Objectives

- To Promote Hindu Religious education to practice moral and religious values among Hindu Children.
- To Preserve Hindu Religious practices for sustaining and developing Hindu Religion and Culture.
- To Promote Research on Hindu Religion and Culture and to sensitize the public about the noble character of Hindu Culture and the magnificence of Hindu Art and Architecture
- To Preserve and Promote the Tamil Arts through the contributions of Tamil Artists and transmit them to future generation
- To stimulate Hindu Temples and Hindu Organizations for Promoting Hindu religious, cultural, social, and spiritual development activities.

**2. Recurrent and Capital expenditure for the year 2025
(Progress as at 30th September 2025)**

Type of Allocation	Allocation (Rs. Mn)	Actual Expenditure (Rs. Mn)	Financial Progress (%)
Recurrent	253.00	176.02	70
Capital	47.00	36.34	77
Total	300.00	212.36	71

3. Approved Cadre and Present Human Resource

Service Level	Approved Cadre	Existing Cadre	Vacancies / Excess
Senior	06	03	03
Territory	01	01	—
Secondary	155	141	14
Primary	22	15	07
Total	184	160	24

4. All Programs Implemented in 2025 (Progress as at 2025.09.30)

4.1 Development of Hindu Araneri Schools

S. No	Activities	Beneficiaries	Allocation 2025 (Rs. Mn)	Actual expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)
01	Conducting Special trainings for Hindu Araneri School Students (Pannisai Yoga & Leadership Training)	4,500 Students	1.10	1.04
02	Recognition and Awarding of Talents and Creativity of Hindu Araneri School Students (National Creativity Awards)	50,000 Students	5.50	3.21

03	Improving the Education of Hindu Araneri School Students (Purchase and Distribution of books and musical instruments)	50 Schools	2.20	0.03
04	Implementation of a new curriculum for Hindu Araneri School students (Printing and Distribution of Text books)	60,000 Students	3.20	1.66
05	Promotional Programme for Awareness on Hindu Araneri Education	10,000 Students	1.00	0.63
06	Encouragement of Araneri School Teachers (Providing Library and Uniform allowance, Training Programmes & Service Excellence Awards)	5,000 Teachers	42.00	35.47
07	Preparation of supporting materials for Tharmaciriyar & Final Year Exam	1,000 Students/Teachers	2.00	0.00 (ongoing)
	Sub Total		57.00	42.04

4.2 Development of Hindu Temples and Institutions

S. No	Activities	Beneficiaries	Allocation 2025 (Rs. Mn)	Actual Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)
01	Financial Assistance for Renovation and Rehabilitation of Hindu Temples	142 Temples	36.00	36.00
02	Financial Assistance for Hindu Children and Elders Home	1,490 Children	8.00	7.45
03	Financial Assistance for Hindu Temples and Institutions	50 Temples	4.00	3.83
04	Financial Assistance for Nallai Aadhenam	5,000 Hindu Public	0.60	0.40
05	Financial Assistance for Regional Offices	Hindu Public	7.00	4.19
06	Improving the activities of the Hindu Cultural Fund	Hindu Public	0.40	0.40
	Sub Total		56.00	52.27

4.3 Promotion of Hindu Religious and Cultural Activities

S. No	Activities	Beneficiaries	Allocation 2025 (Rs. Mn)	Actual Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)
01	Conducting Hindu Religious Festivals and Guru Poojas	20,000 Students/Public	3.00	2.79
02	Religious and Spritual Awareness Programme- Araneri Sharam (Radio Programme)	Hindu Public	3.60	2.54
03	Basic and Advanced Courses in Hindu Religious, Spiritual and Cultural Subjects	1,000 Students/Public	1.00	1.00
04	Printing & Distribution of Nanthi Flag, the flag of Saiva Religion.	Hindu Public	1.00	0.82
05	Implementing "Punya Grama" Programme and "Religious Co-existence" Programme	2,000 Students/Public	0.40	0.25
	Sub Total		9.00	7.40

4.4 Research on Hindu Religion and Culture

S. No	Activities	Beneficiaries	Allocation 2025 (Rs.Mn)	Actual Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn)
01	Printing & Sale of Hindu Religious Books	Hindu Public	4.00	0.44
02	Conducting Research seminars and exhibitions on the subject of Hindu Religion	1,000 scholars/public	3.00	0.56
	Sub Total		7.00	1.00

4.5 Promotion of Hindu Culture and Arts

S. No	Activities	Beneficiaries	Allocation 2025 (Rs.Mn)	Actual Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn)
01	Improving the skills of the artists and giving awards to the artists	50 Artists	0.60	0.53
02	Promotion of Hindu religious Tamil art and literature	50 writers	0.40	0.31
	Sub Total		1.00	0.84

5. Programmes / Projects to be implemented for the 4th quarter of 2025

S. No	Programmes / Projects	Allocation 2025 (Rs. Mn)
01	Development of Hindu Araneri Schools	14.96
02	Development of Hindu Temples and Institutions	3.73
03	Promotion of Hindu Religious Activities	1.60
04	Research on Hindu Religious and Culture	6.00
05	Promotion of Hindu Culture and Arts	0.16
	Total	26.45

6. Details of Planned Programmes / Projects for the year 2026

S. No	Programmes / Projects	Allocation 2026 (Rs. Mn)
01	Promotion of Hindu Religious and Cultural Activities	9.00
02	Development of Hindu Araneri (Daham) Education	57.00
03	Development of Hindu Temples & Institutions	70.00
04	Research on Hindu Religion and Culture	7.00
05	Promotion of Hindu Culture and Art	1.00
	Total	144.00

7. Details of Special Activities Planned for the Year 2026

- Implementation of a new curriculum for Hindu Araneri School students (Printing and distribution of text books)
- Preparation of supporting materials for Tharmachiriyar & Final Year Examination
- Bringing certificate/diploma level training courses for Hindu Araneri School Teachers equivalent to level 4 of NVQ
- Establishment of new curriculam for skill training programme for Hindu Priests

8. Photo Gallery of Some Programmes Conducted by the Department in this Year

The celebration of National Thai Pongal in Jaffna



The celebration of Thai Pongal in Parliament



The celebration of 77th National Independence day at Mayurapathy Sri Bathrakali Kovil, Colombo



Recognition of Talents and Creativity of Hindu Araneri School Students



Puniyagrama” programme at Uduvil Kannkai Amman Temple



Training Programme for Araneri Teachers



Seminar for Final Examination for the Certificate of Hindu Religion



Navarathri Pooja at Muthur DS Office



Department of Muslim Religious & Cultural Affairs

1.0 Mission

Regulating and facilitating Muslim religious and cultural affairs for ushering in a Muslim society with Sri Lankan identity which embraces religious values pragmatically superseding religious symbols.

1.1 Targets

1. Inculcating religious values practically into society
2. Creating a society with Sri Lankan identity

1.2 Objectives

1. Guiding and regulating mosques and, charitable trusts, Arabic schools and Muslim religious schools.
2. Enriching and promoting Muslim religious education.
3. Enriching and promoting Muslim art and cultural activities
4. Providing facilities and services to Haj pilgrims
5. Felicitating the services of those who have made a noteworthy contribution in the sphere of Islam religious and cultural affairs.
6. Making available necessary facilities for observing Islamic religious rituals (such as praying five times, fasting during Ramazan and Zakat programmes)
7. Fostering the unity of the Muslim society and working towards national integration.
8. Carrying out programmes for the restoration of regulating mosques and, charitable trusts, Arabic schools and Ahadiyya religious schools.
9. Implementing programmes for the empowerment of Muslim women and young people.
10. Promoting co-existence amongst different religions and communities.

1.3 Functions

1. Enforcement of the Wakf Act
(Registration of mosques, Muslim shrines and charitable trusts and appointing, guiding and regulating trustees and maintaining Muslim charitable trust fund and enforcement of the Wakf Act)
2. Extending financial assistance for the development of registered mosques, Ahadiyya Religious schools, Arabic schools and religious centers and cultural centers.

3. Announcing the beginning and the end of the holy month of Ramadan and the distribution of stocks of dates donated by Muslim countries amongst Muslim people across the country at the district level during the month of Ramadan through major mosques.
4. Every year, social and religious development activities are conducted in a selected district to mark National Meelad -un Nabi Day, The activities include the development of mosques, religious institutions and schools in the area, organizing competitions and award ceremonies, felicitating religious dignitaries and publication of books on the historical importance of the relevant area.
5. Making arrangements as follows for the Sri Lankan Muslim community to undertake the holy Haj pilgrimage.
 - Registration of suitable agents and issuance of licenses
 - Educating pilgrims on the program
 - Distribution of guide books on the Haj pilgrimage
 - Organizing air travel arrangements for pilgrims
 - Providing necessary facilities and guidance to pilgrims during their stay in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the Haj pilgrimage
 - Providing medical services free of charge to pilgrims during the Haj pilgrimage season
 - Offering necessary guidance and providing necessary facilities to Haj pilgrims at the Bandaranaike International Airport and the Jeddah International Airport.
 - Observing the services offered by Haj agents at Saudi Arabia and giving necessary instructions.
 - Coordinating activities with the Haj Ministry of Saudi Arabia
6. Providing uniforms, library books and allowances to Ahadiyya religious school teachers island-wide, conducting training courses for religious school teachers and introduction of syllabi for religious schools, publication and distribution of text books.
7. Recommending suitable artistes for the Kalabhooshana Awards Ceremony conducted annually by the Department of Cultural Affairs in appreciation of services rendered by artistes.
8. With a view to encouraging Muslim writers, purchasing books authored by them and distributing amongst libraries of Muslim schools.
9. Providing training to the trustees of mosques and members of administrative boards of Muslim religious institutions.

10. Selecting competitors for the international Al Quran reciting and memorizing competitions and making arrangements for them to participate in competitions held annually in Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Dubai.
11. Provide recommendations and provide necessary training to Islamic religious clerics (Maulavi/Maulawia) to include the name of the Reverend in ID cards.
12. Providing recommendations for Residence Visa and Entry Visa.

1.4 Approved Cadre and Existing Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Service Level	Approved Cadre	No.currently employed
Senior Level	9	5
Tertiary Level	4	0
Secondary Level	93	85
Primary Level	17	15
Total	123	105

1.5

S.NO	POST	APPROVED CADRE	EMPLOYED	VACANCIES
Senior level		09	05	04
1	Director	01	01	00
2	Deputy/ assistant director (departmental)	02	00	02
3	Deputy/assistant director	04	03	01
4	Accountant	01	01	00
5	Internal auditor	01	00	01
Tertiary level		04	00	04
6	Administrative officer	01	00	01
7	TRANSLATOR (S/T)	01	00	01
8	Wakf board secretary	01	00	01
9	Wakf tribunal secretary	01	00	01
Secondary level		93	85	08

10	Development officer	71	74	-3
11	Management service officer	22	11	11
Primary level		17	15	02
16	Drivers	04	03	01
17	O.e.s	13	12	01
	Total	123	105	18

Development Officers have been taken local and foreign No pay leave.

A Driver and a O.E.S employee have been taken local and foreign No pay leave.

2.0 Provisions allocated for the Year 2024 and Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

2025 Estimated Allocation (Rs. Mn.)		Financial Progress as at 30 th September 2025 (Rs. Mn.)	
Recurrent	Capital	Recurrent	Capital
179	31	146	6

3.0 All Programmes /Projects carried out from January to September (Third quarter) 2025

No	Programmes	Progress
01	Organization of Islamic religious service in conjunction with the National Independence Day celebration	Commencing of Islamic Religious ceremonies in conjunction with the celebration of the 77th Independence Day of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on Tuesday, February 04, 2025 at the wellawatta Jumma Mosque, Colombo 06. Along with this celebration, Islamic religious ceremonies, blood donation programs and tree planting programs were conducted in the main mosques at district level across the island.
02	Celebration of Holy Mihraj. (Celebration of the day that Holy Prophet Muhammad was	The religious ceremonies to mark the holy night of Mihraj (celebration of the day when the Prophet Muhammad was bestowed with the Five-time

	bestowed the five times prayers once per day).	prayers) was conducted on Wednesday 27.01.2025 at Zakeer Jummah Mosque of Colombo – 10.
03	Muharram Festival - (The festival marking the beginning of the new year in the Muslim lunar calendar	2025 (Hijri Year 1447) Celebration of Islamic New Year was held on 2025.06.27 at the Wekanda Jummah Mosque of, Colombo – 02.
04	Program held to mark the fasting month of Ramadan	The program held to mark the fasting month of Ramadan was held on 26.03.2025 with the participation of department officers under the ministry of Buddhism, Religious and Cultural Affairs.
05	Celebration of Hajj Pilgrimage	The event to send the First flight of the Hajj pilgrimage group from Sri Lanka to Makkah was held in Bandaranayake International Airport on 2025.05.02. The program was headed by Hon. Minister and the Ambassador to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
06	Moon sighting activities to confirm the new moon according to the Muslim month system.	The activities to confirm the moon sighting for the new Islamic Month is holding each month in collaboration with the Colombo Grand Mosque.
07	National Milad-Dun-Nabi Celebrations -2025 Habanthota District	The National Meelad-un Nabi Celebration for the year 2025 was held in 2025.09.05 at Bolana Aroossiya Jumma Mosque, at Habanthota District.
08	Organization for National Level competitions for Al-Quran Recitation and Memorization and selection of best performing students for International Competitions.	A Quran recitation competition was held and prizes were awarded on 20 th January 2025 at Galle face Hotel, Colombo, jointly organized by the Embassy of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and this Department. The winners to be sent to Malaysia, Saudi Arabia and Egypt for the National level competition.
09	Conducting Co-existence programs	The open Mosque program for Coexistence was held at the Elabadagama jumma masjidh on 28.08.2025 with the participation of officers under ministry of Buddhism, Religious and Cultural Affairs.
10	Review of imported Quran and religious books and providing recommendation for Clearance of Books.	Given the recommendation to 04 institutions for the importation of 299 Islamic books and 61874 copies. and Holy Quran 30263 copies. Recommendations have been received for 549 types of books 08 individuals for personal use.
11	Providing recommendations for Residence Visa and Entry Visa.	32 recommendations have been provided to Religious leaders and scholars who have applied for Visas who came from foreign countries for religious and educational purposes to Mosques/Madrassa schools in Sri Lanka on their request.

12	Distribution of dates received as gifts from foreign countries to Muslims	In addition to the 50 MT received from Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Above dates were distributed to 2764 registered mosques, 12 other institutions.
13	Provision of recommendations to add the term “Moulavi/Moulaviya” to National Identity Card issued by Department of Registration of Persons.	The department had provided 38 recommendations to add the term “Moulavi/Moulaviya” to National Identity Card issued by Department of Registration of Persons.
14	Allowance to Ahadiyya School Teachers.	The allowance of Rs.5000 per person was given to 1707 Ahadiyya School Teachers. Rs.7500 per person was given to 2781 Ahadiyya School Teachers who served 3 years or above in same Ahadiya School.
15	Conducting Deeniyath Certificate (Darmacharya) Examination.	The Deeniyath Certificate (Darmacharya) Examination For the year 2025 was gazzeted by the Department of Examination and held on 2025.08.23 and 24.
16	Registration of Ahadiya Schools	Among 640 Registered Ahadiya School 19 have been newly Registered in this year.
17	Conducting Quran Madrasas (Junior Religious Schools).	There are 1676 Quran madrasas have been Registered in this Department. 185 Applications have been received for new Registration.
18	Implementation of Arabic College System.	Under the Arabic College Reform and File Management, properly updating of the files and carry out necessary renovations to complete the contents of the files and preparing a common syllabus.
19	Certification of Certificates issued by Arabic Colleges registered with this Department	41 certification have been issued.
20	Providing “No Objection” letters to those students who have selected for foreign universities.	Issuance of “No Objection” letters to 11 students.
21	Providing recommendation letters for “Duty Waiver”.	Some mosques are receiving Carpets and other similar items as donations from foreign countries, The department grants recommendations to the ministry for duty waiver on those items received as donations. Now department has stopped issuing recommendations.

22	Providing confirmation letters to those who converted to Islam	As per the request of persons who have converted to Islam the department grants a confirmation letter on their conversion to whom it may concern. 14 confirmation letters have been provided.
23	Conducting Teacher Training Programs to Ahadiyya School Teachers.	Two of these programs have been conducted in 2 districts, one for each district.(Puttalama and Galle)
24	Conducting Training programs such as leadership training and drug prevention programs for Ahadiya School Students.	Three of these programs have been conducted in 3 districts. (puttalam, Trinco, and Kurunegala)
25	Appointment of Board of Trustees of mosques for the administration.	82 Boards of trustees have been appointed.
26	Discussion with Trustees of the mosque regarding the problems existing in the mosque.	25 Discussion have been held with the trustees of Mosques regarding the various problems existing in the mosques and the Wakf board has investigated 23 complaints.
27	Mosque development Activities	Rs.15 Million has been allocated for 37 undeveloped mosques for renovation works across the world.
28	Submitting board Papers for wakf Board.	There are 86 Board Papers have been submitted for wakf Board and 38 meetings were held regarding thae above.
29	New Mosque Registration	There are 94 new Mosques and 7 Trusts were registered newly under the Wakf Act.
30	Conducting seminars /Programmes for Trustees.	One day workshops were held at Monaragala, Hambantota and Trincomalee for Train Mosque Trustees.
31	Wakf Tribunal	41 New cases have been filed under the Wakf Tribunal and 10 cases delivered.
32	Carrying out necessary arrangements for the Pilgrims performing the Holy Hajj	Sri Lanka received 3500 hajj Quota for the year and 3500 pilgrims performed the Hajj pilgrimage in june 2025. 92 Hajj Travel Operators have been registered with this Department for year 2025 Six Officers including the Staff officers of this Deaprtment went for Hajj duty in Saudi Arabia in the year 2025.

3.1 Programs /projects to be implemented in the fourth quarter of 2025

No	Program	Activities
01	Implementation of co-existence programs.	A co-existence program is to be done in Kurunegala district under the supervision of the Ministry of Buddhashasana, Religious and cultural Affairs with the collaboration of inter-departmental officials, inter-religious clergies, Sunday school teachers and students
02	Organizing for National Level competitions for Al-Quran Recitation and Memorization and selection of best performing students for International Competitions.	Organizing National level competitions for Al-Quran recitation and memorization and send them to International competitions.
03	Selection of students for the international Qirath and Hifl competitions	Al Quran Hifl competition organized by the Embassy of Saudi Arabia will be held in December
04	Reviewing the imported Quran and religious books and giving department recommendations for the Clearance of Books.	The recommendations are to be given as per the requests made by the institutions and persons who are importing Al-Quran and other Islamic books.
05	Conducting of Quran Madrasas (Junior Religious Schools)	Department receives application from Quran Madrasas for the registration. The registrations are granted after a careful analysis. Accordingly, 20 Quran Madrasas are in the process of registering.
06	Conducting Deeniyath Certificate (Darmacharya) Examination.	The SriLanka examination Department is currently doing preparation for Islamic Religious examination (deeniiyath) for the year 2025.
07	Conducting of training programs for the Ahadiyya Aschool Students.	06 programs to be conducted in 06 Districts.
08	Carrying out necessary arrangements for the Pilgrims performing the holy Hajj.	Conducting interview to select eligible Hajj Travel Operators.

4.0 Proposed programs for the year 2026

No	Program	Activities
01	Organization of Islamic Religious/festival programs.	<p>1) Organization of Islamic religious rituals in conjunction with National Independence Day</p> <p>2) Holy Mihraj celebrations. Celebration of the day on which the Holy Prophet Muhammad was awarded with five times prayer.</p> <p>3) Muharram Day Celebration – organization Islamic New Year (Muharram Day) celebration.</p> <p>4) Ramadan and Hajj Festival celebrations.</p>
02	Activities to confirm the New Moon Sighting according to Islamic Calendar System.	In coordination with the Colombo Grand Mosque confirm the Sighting of New Moon according to the Islamic Calendar System for each month.
03	Celebration of National Milad-Dun-Nabi	Organizing programs to celebrate Prophet Muhammad's birthday.
04	Organization of National Level Quran Recitation and Hifl competitions and sending selected students to international competitions.	Conducting these competitions among students of Islamic schools/Arabic colleges and sending selected students to competitions in Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Malaysia, Iran and Dubai etc.
05	Selection of students for the international Qirath and Hifl competitions.	Conducting Quran Recitation and Hifl competitions organized by the Embassies for students in the Arabic Colleges/Quran Madrasas and prize giving.
06	Program to encourage the Art of Writing of Muslim writers and cultural promotion and development of Muslim authors.	Under this program activities will be doing to encourage Sri Lankan Muslim authors, buying books written by them and give them to Arabic colleges/schools/public libraries and translating short stories written by Muslim writers in Tamil into Sinhala and English medium and publish them as one book.
07	Implementation of coexistence programs.	Under the guidance of Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs organizing of district-wise programs collaborating inter-departmental officers, interfaith clergies, Sunday

		school teachers and students.
08	Distribution of dates received as donations from foreign countries to mosques and people.	Assisting Muslims in making their fasting activities successful.
09	Provision of recommendations to add the term “Moulavi/Moulaviya” to National Identity Card issued by Department of Registration of Persons.	As per the request of Moulavi’s/Moulaviya’s recommendations are given to add the term “Moulavi/Moulaviya” to National Identity Card issued by Department of Registration of Persons.
10	Teacher training programmes for Ahadiya Teachers	10 Programmes will be held in 10 Districts.
11	Conducting leadership programmes and drug prevention programmes for Ahadiya School Students.	10 Programmes will be held in 10 Districts.
12	Allowance to Ahadiyya School Teachers.	The allowance of Rs.5000 per person who served one year and. Rs.7500 per person who served 3 years or above in same Ahadiya School.
13	Registration of Quran Madrasa	To be Register more Quran Madrasas in future.
14	Registrarion of Arabic colleges	To be register after ministry’s Approval.
15	Conducting Ahadiya School final Examination	Preparation for conducting Ahadiya school final Examination.
16	Carrying out necessary arrangements for the Pilgrims performing the holy Hajj.	Carrying out necessary arrangements for the Pilgrims performing the holy Hajj in 2026.
17	Mosque Development Activities	<p>*Providing funds for selected mosque to development work.</p> <p>*Providing funds for selected mosque to development work in a district where the Milad festival will be held in 2026.</p> <p>* Conducting Training Programs for Trustees.</p>

5.0 Special programs proposed for the year 2026

No	Main program	Activities
01	Program to encourage the Art of Writing of Muslim writers and cultural promotion and development of Muslim authors.	Translation and publication selected short stories written by Muslim writers in Tamil into Sinhala and English medium.
02	Conducting and preserving programs that include art and cultural elements.	Development of Muslim art activities through regional art elements. Establishing a library to identify and preserve important Muslim art elements.
03	Identification of national heritage for preservation.	Identifying the national heritage of Muslims in order to boost the country's tourism sector, identifying the hitherto unrecognized national heritage and taking action to protect them, and working to contribute to the economy of the national heritage.
04	Implementation of coexistence programs.	Organizing of co-existence programs collaborating inter-departmental officers, interfaith clergies, Sunday school teachers and students.
05	Digitalization	One of the main tasks of the department is to create a data system to carry out all the activities of the Registered Quran Madrasas/Arabic Colleges and Ahadiyya Schools through the online system

Department of Christian Religious Affairs

01. Future Vision and Main Functions

1.1 Vision

Taking action for the wellbeing of Christian community

1.2 Main Functions

1. Carrying out development activities at national religious places declared by Catholic Church and Pilgrimages Ordinance.
2. Providing aids for reconstruction and development activities at Christian churches for which economic assistance has become dire necessity.
3. Enhancement of Christian religious education and evaluation of the services of Christian Daham School Teachers.
4. Promoting Christian religious literature, Arts and cultural affairs.
5. Conducting quiz competition on Holy Bible in order to enhance knowledge on the Bible.
6. Making contribution for the Easter Feasts, which is highly adored by the Christian Community.
7. Making contribution for Christmas festival highly respected by Christians and organization of state Christmas festival.
8. Organizing the festivals of national and religious importance.
9. Implementation of spiritual and personality development programs for the benefit of Christian community.
10. Reconstruction and development of churches.
11. Reconstruction of ancient churches
12. Making recommendations for visa for both foreign laymen and clergies who arrive for religious activities and recommendations for visa for pilgrims.
13. Providing recommendations for obtaining sand, timber and custom tariff concessions for religious institutions
14. Making recommendations for the issuance of passports and identity cards for local Christian Priests.
15. Issuance of registration certificates for Catholic Churches, Daham Schools and Religious Institutions and maintenance of a data base.
16. Special projects launched by the Department of Christian Religious Affairs

During the workshop on short films



Awarding ceremony of the Psalm and Lathoni competition



02. Provisions allocated for year 2025 and the financial progress as at 30.09.2025

- Recurrent

Expenditure Head	Activity	Provision for the year 2025 (Rs. Million)	Revised Provisions (F.R. Transfers)	Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)	Progress as at 30.09.2025 Rs.)
1001	Salaries and wages	24	29.5	71%	20,849,533.47
1002	Overtime and holiday pay	1	2.055	61%	1,248,004.84
1003	Other allowances	17	13.5	76%	10,284,562.68
1101	Travelling expenses- Local	1		65%	651,202.61
1102	Travelling expenses- Overseas	0.4		0%	0
1201	Stationary and office requirements	1		64%	639,766.07
1202-002	Fuel (KX-8144)	0.6	0.9	73%	658,468.00
1202-009	Fuel(NB-2558) Pool vehicle	0.7		50%	346,368.26
1203-002	Meals and Uniforms	0.05		16%	8000.00
1205	Other (Dana and refreshments)	0.15		69%	103,023.07
1301	Vehicles	1.5		64%	966,843.34
1302	Machinery and equipment	0.65		46%	296,605.00
1303	Buildings and constructions	0.3		45%	133,529.00
1401	Transport	0.05		67%	33,690.00
1402	Posts and telecommunications	0.45		78%	352,542.16
1403	Electricity and water	1		3%	34,614.01
1405	Lease rent and taxes of local government institutions	0.8		61%	489,534.50
1407	Cleaning and sanitary services	0.8		66%	530,464.28
1409-138	Charges for service agreements on machinery and office equipment	0.2		41%	82,680.00
1409-139	Vehicle insurance	0.3		52%	157,148.92
1409-140	Other expenses	0.05			
1506	Interests for the property	0.15		38%	56,720.82

	loans obtained by public servants				
1508 (17)	Providing assistance for churches and other religious institutes in need of financial assistance.	2.5		54%	1,343,430.00
	Spiritual and personality development programmes and anti drug campaigns				
1508 (18)	Programmes for Easter festivals.	5.5		27%	1,508,809.42
	National programme for Christmas				
	Organizing other national and religious events and miscellaneous activities				
02-1409	Project for promotion of Christian religious literature	4.85		25%	1,219,462.89
	Janavandana, Christian arts and crafts, Dharmaprabhawashra Awarding Ceremony and cultural affairs				
	Purchase of publications on Christianity and programm for libraries of Daham schools				
04-1508	Festivals at main churches published in the Gazette under Pilgrimages Ordinance	8		73%	5,897,067.60
05-1508	Quiz competition on Holy Bible	12		34%	4,046,685.31
	Religious activities and Daham school activities				
17-1501	Providing facilities to Daham school teachers	123		63%	74,950,000.00

- **Capital**

Expenditure Head	Programme	Provision for the year 2025 (Rs. Million)	Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)	Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs)
2001	Building and constructions	0.5	-	-
2002	Machinery and equipment	0.5	94%	468,839.09
2003	Vehicles	0.8	76%	611,903.84
2102	Furniture and office equipment	2	35%	697,153.17
2103	Machinery and equipment	0.6	88%	525,690.00
2401	Training for staff	0.3	69%	206,370.00
11-2205	Provision of facilities for pilgrims	40	0.32%	127,020.00
14-2205	Development of Christian religious places of ancient values	7	24%	1,692,035.40
18-2205	Provision of facilities for Christian religious places and churches	10.3	27%	2,783,696.30

03.Cadre Manmagement

	Approved Cadre	Present Staff	Posts in vacant / (cadre in excess)
Senior	03	02	01
Tertiary	01	01	-
Secondary	50	46	04
Primary	07	04	03

04. Progress of the programmes conducted during the year 2024

Expenditure Head	Programme	Programme	Progress as at 30.09.2025	
			Financial (%)	Financial (%)
11-2205	Providing facilities for the pilgrims	For 02 churches	0.32%	10%
14-2205	Developing Christian churches with ancient value	06 Christian churches with ancient value	24%	70%
18-2205	Providing facilities for Christian religious places and churches	For 11 Christian religious places and churches	27%	50%
1508 (17)	Spiritual and personality development programmes and anti drug campaigns	Programmes for religious coexistence	54%	55%
		Family nutrition programmes		
		Anti drug programmes for youths		
1508 (18)	Programmes for Easter festival .	Conducting Psalm competitions	27%	100%
	Organizing other national and religious events and miscellaneous activities	Independence Ceremony		100%
		Vesak Festival		100%
02-1409	Janawandana, Christian arts and crafts, Dharmaprabhashwara awarding ceremony and cultural activities	Project for the promotion of Christian Religious Literature	25%	70%
		Activities relevant to Dharmaprabhashwara awarding ceremony		10%
		Conducting workshops on short films and competition		100%
		Janawandana		70%
	Purchasing publications on Christian religion and programme for Daham schools	Purchasing publications on Christian religion and programme for Daham schools (Settling bills of 2024, which have not been settled)		100%
05-1508	Competition on Holy Bible	Conducting competition at Parish, Deanery and diocese levels and conducting the competition at national level for those selected	34%	100%

		at above levels		
	Religious and Daham school activities			60%
04-1508	Feasts at churches declared in the Gazette under Pilgrimages Ordinance	Providing infrastructure facilities for main annual feasts of churches	74%	100%
17- 1501	Providing facilities to Daham school teachers		63%	85%

05. Programmes to be conducted during the fourth quarter of 2025

Expenditure Head	programmes	Description
1508 (17)	Spiritual and personality development programmes and anti-drug campaigns	Programmes for youths - 10
		Family programmes - 02
		Inter religious programmes - 02
1508 (18)	National Christmas programmes	National Christmas programmes (Batticaloa Diocese) Conducting inter religious Christmas programmes
		Conducting painting competition for the issuance of two annual stamps for Christmas
		Conducting all Island Carol competitions
02-1409	Janawandana, Christian arts and crafts, Dharmaprabhashwara awarding ceremony and cultural activities	Conducting Dharma Prabhashwara awarding ceremony and short film festival
05-1508	Quiz competition on Holy Bible	Issuing results for the competition at national level Awarding prizes to winners
	Religious and Daham school activities	Conducting 07 programmes on Daham education
17- 1501	Providing facilities to Daham school teachers	Making payments to 02 Dioceses

06. Programmes proposed for year 2026

- Programmes for spiritual and personality development and anti-drug campaigns for school leavers
- Programmes for enhancement of the spiritual qualities of prison inmates and development of personality of their family members
- Quiz competition on Holy Bible
- Programmes for Daham education
- Conducting welfare programmes for the benefit of Daham teachers (Allowances for Daham Teachers and programme for evaluation of Daham Teachers)
- Conducting workshops for Christian authors, workshops Christian carols, workshops on media, conducting programmes for the protection of Christian arts and crafts and conducting Dharma Prabhashwara awarding ceremony
- Programme for protection of Paslm, inter religious coexistence programme, Pasalm programmes, Easter dramas, issuance of the supplementary on Easter
- Inter religious Christmas programmes and programme for issuance of Christmas stamps
- Conducting Christmas carol programmes
- Holding feasts at the churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance
- Development of Christian Religious Places
- Conservation of ancient Christian Religious Places
- Development of churches declared under Pilgrimages Ordinance and development of their infrastructure facilities

07. Particulars of the special programmes proposed for year 2026

No of Expenditure Head	Subject	Programme proposed for year 2026
1508	Spiritual development programmes	Holding inter religious exhibitions. Conducting programmes for vocational training centering Christian religious places and Christian schools. Conducting vocational training programmes for the benefit of prison inmates and their family members

02-1409	Promotion of Christian literature	<p>Conducting Paslm and Lathoni singing competition, which are local Sinhala heritages.</p> <p>Appreciating who sing Paslm and Lathoni.</p> <p>Opening an archive to conserve the works written by Fr. Jacome Gonsalves, a pioneer of Sinhala Christian literature.</p> <p>Launching to protect ancient art works of Christian artists, which are facing destruction.</p> <p>Obtaining knowledge and technology from foreign parties to create new generation to conserve the paintings, and sculptures of ancient churches.</p> <p>Launching programmes to attract foreign Christian tourists and pilgrims.</p> <p>Identifying the human libraries, which are to be preserved under human library concept and protecting them for future generations</p>
05-1508	Daham education programmes	<p>Providing lessons in relation to the syllabus of Catholic religion through Department's YouTube channel for the benefit of school children, who have no facilities to learn Catholic religion</p>
2102	Acquisition of capital assets- Furniture and office equipment	<p>Digitalizing the functions and services of the Department through redesigning the website of the Department</p>

Department of Public Trustee

1.1 Vision

Pursuant to the provisions of the Public Trustee Ordinance No 1 of 1922 and the Trust Ordinance No 9 of 1917, efficient and effective execution of professional responsibilities and duties within the legal framework, in trustworthy, impartial and transparent way by The Public Trustee and the Department of Public Trustee of Sri Lanka.

1.2 Mission

To discharge all powers, functions and duties of Public Trustee and the Department of Public Trustee of Sri Lanka within the legal framework in a transparent way, and to provide impartial, efficient and the best service to those who seek such service fully trusting the Department of Public Trustee, in order to gain a high goodwill and recognition to the Department of Public Trustee of Sri Lanka Nationally as well as Internationally.

1.3 Services of the Department of Public Trustee.

The Department provides services to the public by managing the trusts established under its authority, by their stated purposes, the objectives outlined in last wills and testaments, and subject to court orders.

- Providing scholarships to support children facing significant financial difficulties in pursuing their education.
- Providing medical assistance to destitute and emergency patients to obtain necessary medical treatment.
- Providing financial assistance to maintain and development of Religious Places according to the objectives of trusts and/or Last wills.
- Providing Charity.
- Providing donations to persons who are in need due to various reasons and to such institutions.
- Management of the Trusts and Estate properties.
- Distribution of compensations under the Buddhist Temporalities Ordinance according to the directions of the Commissioner General of Buddhist Affairs.
- Directing the functions of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited as the holder of shares on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka.
- Distribution of Foreign Compensation to the dependents or Legal heirs.
- Remitting a percentage of the income earned as a government institution to the Government Treasury.

02. Cadre Review as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Position	Approved Cadre	Actual cadre as at 30.09.2025				No. of Vacancies
			Senior	Tertiary	Secondary	Primary	
1	Public Trustee	1	1				0
2	Deputy Public Trustee	2	2				0
3	Chief Accountant	1	1				0
4	Chief Internal Auditor	1	1				0
5	Director(Administration)	1	1*				0
6	Accountant	1	0				1
7	Legal Officer	1	0				1
8	Administrative Officer	1		1			0
9	Language Translator	1		1			0
10	Development Officer	14			9		5**
11	Management Services Officer	28			20		8**
12	Management Assistant (Non Technical-Seg.2)	8			8		0
13	Driver	4				3	1
14	Office Assistant	13				9	4
Total		77	6	2	37	12	20

* An officer of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service (SLAS) Class II has been appointed to serve full-time in the post of Director (Administration).

**These vacancies have been identified in accordance with Section 2.6 of Public Administration Circular 14/2022(IV), including officers who are currently on local and foreign leave. Accordingly, two officers from the Development Officers' Service and three officers from the Management Services Officers' Service are currently on local and foreign leave

03. Recurrent Expenditure Report for the Month of January - September 2025

1	2	6	8	9	10	11
Vote	Vote Particular	Total Allocation	Cumulative Expenditure Incurred up to 30/09/2025	Total Allocation Balance	Expenditure as at % (8/6*100)	Savings as at % (9/6*100)
	Personal Emoluments	72,600,000	46,934,404	25,665,596	65%	35%
1001	Salaries and Wages	33,000,000	28,372,487	4,627,513	86%	14%
1002	Over Time and Holiday payments	600,000	236,018	363,982	39%	61%
1003	Other Allowances	39,000,000	18,325,899	20,674,101	47%	53%
	Traveling Expense	800,000	158,695	641,305	20%	80%
1101	Domestic	300,000	158,695	141,305	53%	47%
1102	Foreign	500,000	-	500,000	0%	100%
	Supplies	9,850,000	4,784,914	5,065,086	49%	51%
1201	Stationery and Office Requisites	2,500,000	1,060,003	1,439,997	42%	58%
1202-2	Fuel Allowance	3,800,000	2,274,785	1,525,215	60%	40%
1202-9	Fuel for Pool vehicles	3,500,000	1,414,126	2,085,874	40%	60%
1203-2	Uniforms	50,000	36,000	14,000	72%	28%
	Maintenance Expenditure	4,300,000	2,209,353	2,090,647	51%	49%
1301	Vehicles	2,400,000	1,937,525	462,475	81%	19%
1302	Plant and Machinery	900,000	175,408	724,592	19%	81%
1304	Software Maintanance	1,000,000	96,420	903,580	10%	
	Services	26,100,000	15,850,258	10,249,742	61%	39%
1401	Transport	3,400,000	2,262,204	1,137,796	67%	33%
1402	Postal and Communication	2,000,000	1,046,810	953,190	52%	48%
1403	Electricity and Water	2,700,000	1,381,821	1,318,179	51%	49%
1404	Rents and Local Taxes	12,500,000	8,400,000	4,100,000	67%	33%
1405	Cleaning & Janitorial	1,500,000	792,255	707,745	53%	47%

	Services					
1407	Security Services	1,000,000	602,800	397,200	60%	40%
1409-138	Machinery & Office Equipment Service Agreements	600,000	339,014	260,986	57%	43%
1409-139	Vehicle Insurance	400,000	346,887	53,113	87%	13%
1409-140	Miscellaneous Services	2,000,000	678,467	1,321,533	34%	66%
	Trasfers	350,000	216,050	133,950	62%	38%
1506	Property Loan Interst to Public Servants	350,000	216,050	133,950	62%	38%
Total Recurrent Expenditure		114,000,000	70,153,675	43,846,325	62%	38%

04. Capital Expenditure Report for the Month of January - September 2025

1	2	6	8	9	10	11
Vote	Vote Particular	Total Allocation	Cumulative Expenditure Incurred up to 30/09/2025	Total Allocation Balance	Expenditure as a % (8/6*100)	Savings as a % (9/6*100)
	Rehabilitation & Improvement	4,700,000	1,231,247	3,468,753	26%	74%
2001	Buildings and Structures	1,000,000	30,275	969,725	3%	97%
2002	Plant, Machinery and Equipment	1,000,000	595,051	404,949	60%	40%
2003	Vehicles	2,700,000	605,921	2,094,079	22%	78%
	Acquisition of Capital Assets	15,600,000	684,405	14,915,595	4%	96%
2102	Furniture and Office Equipment	1,600,000	616,541	983,459	39%	61%
2103	Plant, Machinery and Equipment	6,000,000	67,864	5,932,136	1%	99%
2106	Software Development	8,000,000		8,000,000	0%	100%
	Capacity	700,000	557,000	143,000	80%	20%

	Building					
2401	Staff Training	700,000	557,000	143,000	80%	20%
	<i>Total Capital Expenditure</i>	<i>21,000,000</i>	<i>2,472,651</i>	<i>18,527,349</i>	<i>12%</i>	<i>88%</i>

Cultural Affairs Division

1.Sustainable Development Goals

Sustainable Development Goal - 04 (as per the sustainable development goal 4.7)

“Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and provide lifelong learning opportunities for all”

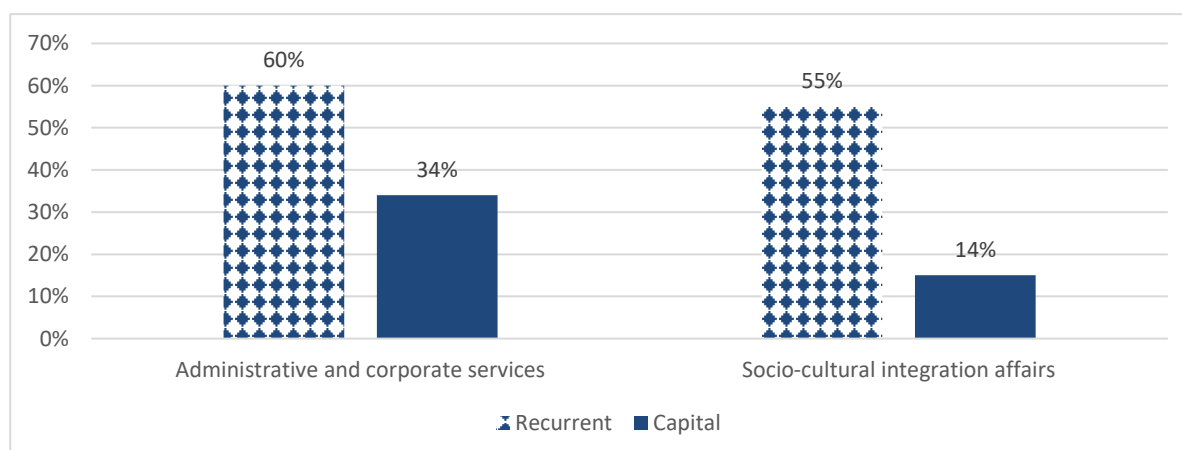
Sustainable Development Goal 11 (as per the sustainable development goal 11.4)

“Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable”

2.Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

	Programme	Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
Recurrent	Administrative and corporate services	176.49	106.46	60%
	Socio-cultural integration affairs	1134.80	623.48	55%
	Sub total	1311.29	729.94	56%
Capital	Administrative and corporate services	19.92	6.70	34%
	Socio-cultural integration affairs	303.31	43.13	14%
	Sub total	323.23	49.83	15%
	Grand Total	1634.52	779.77	48%

2.1 Financial Progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



3. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior Level	13	11
Tertiary level	03	02
Secondary level	534	496
Primary level	517	468
Total	1,067	977

4. Implementation of projects/ programs for cultural promotion by the Cultural Affairs Division - 2025

4.1.Cultural Centre Programs

4.2. Cultural Promotion Programs

4.3. Foreign Cultural Relation Programs

4.1 Cultural Centre Programme

Objectives

- Contribution for moulding a society with virtues.
- Improving the artistic skills of children who are living in divisional level.
- Preservation and promotion of ancient arts and artifacts.
- providing local/foreign concert opportunities to emerging artists thereby uplifting them into international arena.

4.1.1 Implementation of Cultural Centre Programme - Basic information

- Total number of Cultural Centres operating divisionally - 221
(including the Centers that are operating in the universities)
- Number of Cultural Centers that are in operation, built by the Ministry - 218
- Number of resource persons - 653

- Total number of students registered in Cultural Centres - 44,646
- Number of readers accessing library facilities at Cultural Centres - 49,955

4.1.2 Progress related to Cultural Centre Programs implemented until 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Project/Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Plants & Machinery 101 - 02 -05 - 1302	0.50	0.06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The physical progress for the allocation of Rs. 0.06 million forwarded to the Polonnaruwa District Secretary is 100%.
2.	Other 101 - 02 - 05- 1409 (140)	3.00	0.25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of library books for Cultural Centres. (Rs.0.013 million)
3.	Skill Development of Cultural Centres 101 - 02 - 05- 9 – 1409- 112	65.00	45.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rs. 45.04 million has been paid in resource allowances for the implementation of aesthetic courses from January to September.
4.	Building and Construction 101 - 02 - 05 - 0 – 2001	42.00	08.98	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of Rs. 38.67 million has been provided to the District Secretaries and the remaining provision amount is Rs. 3.33 million

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision has been provided for 27 Centres • Number of Centres with physical progress of 100%- 12 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 80 - 100% - 04 • Number of Centres over physical progress of 50% - 04 • Since more than Rs.1 million has been provided for the remaining Centres; procurement, contracting and construction activities related to the renovation of those Centres are being carried out.
5.	Plants & Machinery 101 - 02 - 05 - 0 – 2002	02.00	00.22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of Rs. 1.3 million has been provided to the District Secretaries and the remaining provision amount is Rs. 0.70 million. • Request letters for estimates have been forwarded to the Divisional Secretariats in response to requests

				<p>received from Cultural Centres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisions have been made for 09 Centres • Number of Centres with physical progress of 100% - 02 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 80 - 100% - 02 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 75% - 01 • Relevant works are currently underway for the remaining Centers
6.	<p>Furniture and Office Equipment</p> <p>101 - 02 - 05 - 0 – 2102</p>	10.00	04.90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisions have been made for 30 Centers • Number of Centres with physical progress of 100% - 16 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 80 - 100% - 06 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 50-80% - 04

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works related to purchase of goods for the remaining Centers are currently underway
7.	Plants & Machinery 101 – 02 – 05 – 0 – 2103	10.00	04.85	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisions of Rs. 3.1 million have been provided to District Secretaries and the remaining provision amount is Rs. 6.9 million. • Provisions have been made for 17 Centers • Number of Centres with physical progress of 100% - 11 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 90% - 01 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 50-80% - 04 • Works related to purchase of goods for the remaining Centers are currently underway • The remaining allocation has been allocated for purchase of fingerprint machines for the Cultural Centers.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement is being carried out relevant to purchase of fingerprint machines
8.	<p>Construction and Improvement of Cultural Centres</p> <p>101 - 02 -05 - 23 -2104</p>	60.50	10.85	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisions have been made for 17 Centers • Number of Centres with physical progress of 100% - 06 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 80-100% - 02 • Number of Centres with physical progress of 50-80% - 04 • The bill related to the construction of the remaining 05 Centers and the Sooriyawewa Centre, for which allocations were provided, has been submitted to the Accounts Division for further action and settling.

4.1.3 Basic services provided by the Cultural Centres - 2025

- Implementaion of the courses based on aesthatic subjects
- Provide library services
- Provide cultural services

- Execution of religious/ cultural/ educational and social welfare Programs
- Participation of Cultural Centre students in the national dance troupe

4.1.4 Physical progress of construction of Cultural Centres in 2025 - as at 30.09.2025

Number of Cultural Centres are in operation, built by the Ministry	220
Number of Cultural Centres scheduled to be fully completed and opened	11
Number of Cultural Centres that are under constructions	03
Number of Centers where constructions have been suspended	02

4.1.5 Information of Cultural Centres constructed by the Ministry

Province	District	Number of DS Divisions	Number of Cultural Centres built by the Ministry that are in operation	Number of Cultural Centres to be opened	Number of new Cultural Centres that are under construction	Number of Cultural Centres where constructions have been suspended
Central	Kandy	20	15	-	-	
	Matale	11	11	-	-	
	Nuwara Eliya	05	04	-	-	
Eastern	Ampara	20	10	03	01	
	Batticaloa	14	06	-	-	
	Trincomalee	11	06	-	-	
North Central	Anuradhapura	22	15	01	-	
	Polonnaruwa	07	06	-	-	
Northern	Jaffna	15	09	-	-	
	Kilinochchi	04	-	-	-	
	Mannar	05	-	-	-	
	Mullaitivu	06	-	-	-	
	Vavuniya	04	02	-	-	
North Western	Kurunegala	30	23	02	-	
	Puttalam	16	09	02	-	

Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	11	09	-	-	
	Rathnapura	17	08	-	01	03
Southern	Galle	19	14	-	-	
	Hambantota	12	07	-	01	
	Matara	16	16	-	-	
Uva	Badulla	15	14	-	-	
	Monaragala	11	07	01	-	
Western	Colombo	13	07	-	-	
	Gampaha	13	09	01	-	
	Kalutara	14	13	01	-	
	Total	331	220	11	03	02

4.2. Implementation of cultural promotion Programs

4.2.1. Progress of other specific cultural promotion programs implemented up to 30.09.2025 (Recurrent)

Implemented main programme	Amount of provisions for 2025 (Rs. Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025	Physical progress in detail as at 30.09.2025
Other 101 - 02 - 05- 9 – 1409 – 099	20.00	04.33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting special programs for socio-cultural integration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Printing of New Year's auspicious times and holding the Sinhala Hindu New Year festival (Rs. 1.00 million) ➤ Providing cultural elements of the National Vesak Festival (Rs.0.50 million) ➤ Providing cultural elements for the National Poson Devotional Song Festival etc. (Rs. 0.30 million)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Providing cultural elements for processions and other special events (Rs. 2.00 million) ➤ Poson Hevisi Pooja at Mihinthala Vihara ➤ Procession of Sri Nagendrarama temple in Veyangoda ➤ For Cultural Centre dancers participated for the Pitabeddara Rotubu Vihara Perahera ➤ For Cultural Centre dancers participated for the Horana Isipathanarama Vihara Perahera ➤ For the procession of 03 outlying Dewalas in the Nuwara Eliya district, in conjunction with the Esala Perahera ➤ For the Ambokka Sri Patthini Devalaya Perahera in Matale District, in conjunction with the Esala Perahera ➤ For the procession of 13 outlying Devala in the Kandy district • Uplifting cultural activities in government institutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Inter public employees' creative skill competition 2025 has been conducted and completed • Providing funds for conducting promotion Programs through Cultural Centres
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For the Maha Shivaratri program held at the Cultural Centre in Manmunai North on 24.02.2025 ➤ For the Gee Rasa Vindana program held at the Kebitigollewa Cultural Centre on 20.03.2025 ➤ For the Sokari drama performance held at the Pathadumbara Cultural Centre on 21.03.2025 ➤ For the New Year programme “From Hand to Hand” held on 28.04.2025, at Alawwa Cultural Centre ➤ For the “Punsith Janani” programme held on 22.05.2025 at Wariyapola Cultural Centre ➤ For the Sokari Folk Drama Program held on 07.04.2025 at Polgahawela Cultural Centre ➤ For Madu Beseema Festival and the Devol Madu Shanti Karma held on 07.04.2025 at Kesbewa Cultural Centre ➤ For Kuliypitiya West Cultural Centre to hold the Cultural Exchange Program “Hela New Year Reconciliation -2025” on 07.04.2025 ➤ For the program held on 05.06.2025 for the Silver Jubilee celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Akkaraipattu Cultural Centre ➤ For the Program of Golden Jubilee - Celebration of Twenty-five Years of
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			<p>Mission in Pallepola Cultural Centre on 09.07.202</p> <p>➤ For giving allowances for artists of the Kohomba Kankariya Shanti Karma held at the Dambulla Cultural Centre on 29.07.2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting the cultural norms of the disabled community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Music (Singing/Instrumental) Competition for Persons with Disabilities - 2025, competitions have been held in 03 provinces (Central, Southern, Sabaragamuwa) and the winners have been selected. • Artistic skills and personality development programs for prison inmates, conducting weekly cultural Programs and related courses involving prison inmates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Conducting weekly aesthetic courses to promote the artistic skills of the prisoners and develop their personality. ➤ One-day training workshop on personality development for prison inmates of Ambepussa Prison was held on 03.08.2025 (Rs. 21,000.00) ➤ One-day training workshop on personality development for inmates of Correctional Centre for Young Offenders in Negombo was held on 05.07.2025 (Rs. 13,070.00)
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4.2.1.1 Progress of other specific cultural promotion Programs implemented up to 30.09.2025 (Capital)

Implemented main programme	Amount of provisions for 2025 (Rs. Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 & percentage (%)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
National Heritage Conservation and Promotion Programs101-02-05-31-2509	30.00	4.71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold the National Concert of Dance Troupe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Make arrangements to hold a dance concert in December at the Nelum Pokuna Theatre in conjunction with the Sri Lankan Day programme • Hold the 2025 Intercultural Centre Talent Competition “Prathibha 2025” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Provincial level art competitions have been concluded and national competitions were held on 24.08.2025 ➤ “Prathibha” Provincial Music/Dance Competition was started from 30.08.2025 and arrangements have been made to hold it until 06 October ➤ “Prathibha” music/dance competition has now been completed in 6 provinces, namely Sabaragamuwa, Western, Southern, Central, North Central, North Western and Eastern

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Number of 180 Cultural Centres have participated and the participation of children is about 5,000 in this event ➤ Promotion of the cultural rights of persons with disabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A “Human Library” was successfully held for 4 days from September 27th to 30th, with the aim of changing social attitudes through the characters of inimitable individuals with disabilities. ➤ The estimate for conducting the literature workshop has been prepared and approval has been obtained. Discussions are underway to hold a literary workshop with selected writers with disabilities. • Safeguarding intangible cultural heritage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Plan the process for submitting nominations of lacquer and shade works ➤ Plan the process for submitting nomination in relation to Cinnamon for UNESCO ➤ Conduct a training programme for Southern provincial Cultural Development Officers on documenting Intangible Heritage from 15th to 18th September, 2025 at
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			<p>the Southern Provincial Council Training Centre (by the Library and Documentation Services Board)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion of children's literature <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Launching of the you tube channel on 07th April ➤ The estimates have been approved to conduct a training workshop for cultural centre preschool teachers in November Cultural promotion programme to empower marginalized communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Involving the children from the areas of Dabare Mawatha in Narahenpita, Halgahawatta and Seewali Pura in Wanathamulla with Human Library on 30.09.2025 ➤ Arrangements have been made to conduct aesthetical appreciation programme for the children from Wanathamulla area on 03.10.2025 at Office of the Medical Officer of Health in Borella. It is expected to conduct aesthetical appreciation Programs and a camp for children. Promotional Programs to identify and protect the cultural identities of the hill plantation people <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Conducting Cultural Exchange Programme on 27th ,28th and 29th
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			<p>June, 2025 – for Tea Estate Community in Jaffna & Thellipalai Estates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Initiate new cultural societies for Tea Estate Community in Hewaheta Estate & Rassagala Estate in Balangoda ➤ Courses such as Bharatanatyam, Music and Art are being conducted in Ragala, Pedro, Dambattenne, Hewaheta and Rassagala estates with the objectives of recognising and protecting cultural identities of hill estate community in Hanguranketha. Number of 2500 children is being participated for these courses. ➤ The plans have been made to conduct aesthetic workshops for the cultural society, organize two cultural camps and conduct a concert with the contribution of cultural societies by the end of the year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of guidelines for aesthetic courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The estimates have been approved to carry out the affairs related to preparation of guidelines for aesthetic courses in cultural centres at the Veyangoda training centre in October 2025
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Construction of Pandith W.D.Amaradewa Asapuwa 101 - 02 -05 - 37 -2104	144.31	04.71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remaining provisions have been allocated for award of subcontracts related to the construction of the Amaradewa Asapuwa and for purchase of raw materials related to the estimates submitted. <p>The projects to be subcontracted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Diesel Generator System & Associated Electrical Works ➤ Local Area Network (LAN) & Telephone System ➤ CCTV/IP Surveillance system & Pblc Address system, sound system ➤ Designing, Supplying & Installations Pond Water Circulation System ➤ Fabricating and fixing of handrails ➤ Gypsum board ceiling/ cement fibre ceiling ➤ Sound proof Doors & Windows ➤ Water Fountain System ➤ Supplying and Installation of Lift ➤ Home garden Landscaping
Staff Training (101-2-5-0-2401)	1.00	0.51	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct a three-day workshop for new Officers in Charge on Accounting, Office Management and the Financial Affairs of development association on 4th, 5th, and 6th April

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct training workshops for all the staff in the Centres regarding the new Programs that are to be implemented in the Cultural Centres.
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4.2.2. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in the fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Expenditure object and description	Projects/Programs expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Sri lanakn Day National Festival 101-02-05-054-1409	Initial arrangements have been conducted to hold the "Sri Lankan National Festival" on December 12, 13, and 14, centered in Colombo, reflecting the cultural heritage and diversity, in order to foster social cohesion and national reconciliation in Sri Lanka.	300.00
2.	Minor repairs and improvements of Cultural Centres 101-02-05-2001	Take actions to provide the remaining provisions as per the requests received from Cultural Centres	3.30
3.	Repair of Plants & Machinery 101-02-05-2002	Take actions to provide the remaining provisions as per the requests received from Cultural Centres	0.70
4.	Procurement of Furniture and Office Equipment for Cultural Centres 101-02-05-2102	Take actions to provide the remaining provisions as per the requests received from Cultural Centres	2.30

5.	Providing Machinery for Cultural Centres 101-02-05-2103	Purchase of fingerprint machines	6.90
6.	Construction and Improvement of Cultural Centres 101-02-05-23-2104	Settlement of bills related to the construction of the Suriyawewa Cultural Centre	7.10
7.	Pandith W.D Amaradewa Asapuwa 101-02-05-37-2104	Completion of works and opening	126.40

4.2.3. Proposed projects/programs for the year 2026

Serial No.	Programme	Estimate
1.	Conduct Inter Cultural Centre “Prathibha” competition 2025	9.00
2.	Conduct the training workshop of the dancing troop	2.00
3.	Safeguard intangible cultural heritage	5.50
4.	Cultural promotion program to empower marginalized communities	2.00
5.	Promotion program to identify and protect the cultural identities of the hill plantation people	5.00
6.	Artist's Retreat	9.50
7.	Establish a language translation Centre	9.95
8.	Promote children's literature	8.00
9.	Establish of 6 multi-cultural centres	9.50
10.	Launching an audio-visual performance with the participation of people with disabilities	2.00

11.	Conduct training programs for Officers in Charge of cultural centres and Office Assistants	4.00
12.	Promotional programs implemented through Cultural Centres and through the Ministry	7.00
13.	Promote cultural activities in government institutions. Public Employees Creative Skill Competition	9.13
14.	Promote the cultural rights of the disabled community	2.95
15.	Artistic talent and personality development of prison inmates	2.27

4.3 Tasks carried out to promote foreign cultural relations

- Improve inter-relations with countries that have entered into cultural agreements (studies, research, cultural exchanges and exhibitions, etc.)
- Study the shortcomings of the existing agreements and update them as necessary.
- Take steps to establish new agreements with the states that have not yet signed agreements
- Popularize and promote Sri Lankan culture among the world community and to present international cultural elements for the enjoyment of the Sri Lankan community.
- Matters relating to the payment of SAARC contributions.

4.3.1 Progress of cultural Programs implemented by the Foreign Division as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent)

Implemented main programme	Amount of provisions for 2025 (Rs.Mn)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025	Physical progress in detail as at 30.09.202
Foreign Cultural Relations 101-2-5-1409-113	15.00	0.39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings between foreign Ambassadors and the Hon. Minister to discuss important matters including updating existing agreements/establishing new agreements

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in programs with foreign countries • Participation in foreign tours • Hold BIMSTEC meeting • Conduct discussions in relation to the Jaffna Cultural Centre
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4.3.2 Programs expected to be implemented in the fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project/Program	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Expenses incurred for the event held to celebrate Sri Lanka Day	3.00
2.	A Cabinet Memorandum has been submitted for approval, requesting an amount of Rs. 27,215,183.85 as an excess provision due to the inadequacy of the provision allocated for 2025 for the SAARC subscription. A decision has not been received yet for this. After receiving approval, it is expected that the remaining amount under expenditure numbers 101-02-05-0-1102-0/11 and 101-02-05-09-1409(113) allocated to our Division this year will be used to settle a portion of the above-mentioned SAARC subscription.	12.61

4.3.3. Activities expected to be carried out in 2026

4.3.31 Foreign tours

Serial No.	Foreign tours expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Programs organized by international organizations such as UNESCO, SAARC, and BIMSTEC (conferences, workshops, seminars, training Programs)	2.00

2.	Airfare expenses incurred for participating in programs held in countries with which agreements have been signed	2.00
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4.3.3.2 Foreign teams planned to be brought

Serial No.	Countries expected to be arrived	The group to arrive	Purpose of the tour and specific activities to be undertaken/participated in	Expected cost to be incurred (Rs. Mn.)
1.	China, Egypt, France, Germany, Thailand, Malaysia, Nepal, Netherlands, India, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Vietnam, Korea, Japan	Ambassadors and various groups	Here, by involving the countries mentioned under 'Countries expected to be arrived', programs called Illustrate of Cultural Diversity will be held to showcase the traditional food, clothing, music, and dance of people living in different cultural backgrounds.	3.00
2.	Different countries	All tourists visiting Sri Lanka	Hela Cultural Spring Program	5.50
3.	Different countries	Ambassadors, High Commissioners and Delegates	Discussions with the Hon. Minister and the Secretary	5.00

Department of Cultural Affairs

1. Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Mission

Preparation and implementation of programs for the preservation, propagation and expansion of intangible culture with the Sri Lankan identity.

1.2 Objectives

- Preservation of intangible cultural heritage for passing down the cultural values and ethics of Sri Lankan identity to the future generation.
- Promote the intangible heritage to showcase the local identity while preserving traditional cultural components and intangible heritage.
- Standardization of creations to heighten the level of appreciation.
- Uplift the economic status of the artistes.
- Secure the scientific nature of all the cultural components.

1.3. Key Functions

- Organization of state festivals, world and national commemoration ceremonies.
- Organization of state award ceremonies.
- Conducting all island competitions related to state award ceremonies.
- Promotional activities on all the cultural fields.
- Assistance to Arts Institutions and to artistes.
- Conducting the Kalabooshana State Award Ceremony.
- Issuing Artistes' Identity Card.
- Reservation facility of State Dance and Music Ensemble.
- Reservation facility of the Institutions under the purview of the Department and conducting programs in association with these Institutions.
- Assistance to possessions (Perahara)
- Maintenance of Arts Associations.
- Awarding tribute plaques to the artistes.
- Printing and publication of books.

- Organization of Divisional/District/Provincial Literary Competitions.
- Implementation of assistance to writers program.
- Conducting State New Year Festival.

2. Sustainable Development Goals

- **Objectives and Goals No: 11**

Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

- **Target 11.4**

Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage.

- **Achieving Indicator 11.4.1**

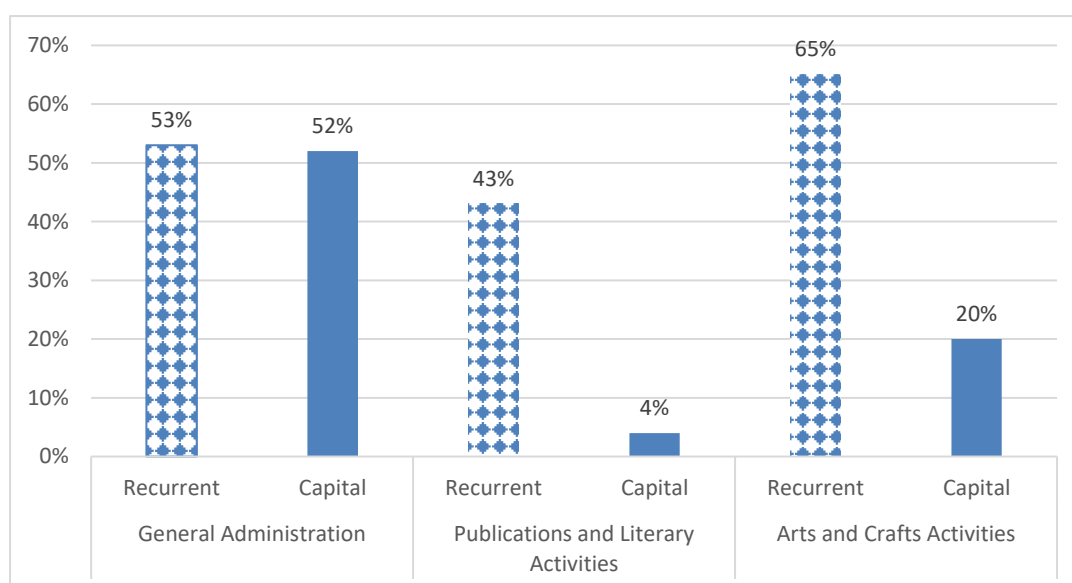
Total per capita expenditure on the preservation, protection and conservation of all cultural and natural heritage, by source of funding (public, private), type of heritage (under the cultural, natural, mixed world heritage sites) and level of government (national, regional, and local/municipal).

3. Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

Programme		Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
General Administration	Recurrent	160.00	85.29	53%
	Capital	12.00	6.21	52%
	Sub Total	172.00	91.50	53%
Publications and Literary Activities	Recurrent	105.00	45.27	43%
	Capital	0.50	0.02	4%
	Sub Total	105.50	45.29	43%

Arts and Crafts Activities	Recurrent	692.00	448.92	65%
	Capital	630.50	125.22	20%
	Sub Total	1322.50	574.14	43%
Total		1600.00	710.92	44%

3.1. Financial Progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



4. Carder as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior Level	28	14
Tertiary Level	04	02
Secondary Level	613	553
Primary Level	185	106
Total	830	675

5. Progress of the Projects/ Programs as at 30.09.2025

Series No	Project/ Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Renovation and construction of National Art Gallery	120.00	119.00	<p>After receiving provisions of Rs. Million 119 for Sri Lanka Navy, the procurement process have been started again and the progress is as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of the Tempered Glass Roof: Contract has been offered, and 90% of the construction has been completed. Some amendments proposed by the advisor has been forwarded to the procurement committee for approval. • Construction of the Suspension Ceiling in the Main Hall: As the quoted companies have not meet the standards, the invitation for bids have been called again. • Network and CCTV system: Has been forwarded for the approval of the procurement committee as to

				<p>offer the contract for a qualified contractor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting Fittings: Has been forwarded for the approval of the procurement committee as to offer the contract for a qualified contractor. • PABGM System : The contract has been offered on 16.06.2025 • Fire Detention System: As the quoted companies have not meet the standards, the invitation for bids have been called again. • Air Conditioning System of the main building: Has been forwarded for the approval of the procurement committee as to offer the contract for a qualified contractor. • Air Conditioning System of adjacent two building: The contract has been offered. Yet to be signed. • Other than the above mentioned, the procurement process has been started for the goods/ equipment and other necessities for the construction work done with
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				the labour contribution from the Sri Lanka Navy.
2.	Uthuru-Dakunu Mithuru Sevana , Mihinthale	3.00	3.00	<p>By identifying the basic necessities/ plan a provision of Rs. 3 million has been released to the Divisional Secretary Mihinthale to carry out the renovation process, and the following renovations has been completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs to improve the drainage systems of the common wash rooms of both female and male hostels. • Installing a Steel ladder to access the water tank on the upper floor. • Repairs made to prevent the water leakage from the concrete roof of the Security Room. • Repairing the damaged section of the hand railing of the upper floor. • Repairing the rear glass door of room number 06 by installing a new glass. • Construction of a palisade on the right side of the premises, using GI pipes and barbed wires. • Construction of a roofing to cover the Electricity meter.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80% of work has been completed in installing the sanitary ware in common wash rooms of both female and male hostels. And 10% of work has been completed in installing air conditioning systems to the office room and the other four rooms in the facility and in installing a name board.
3.	Renovation of John de Silva memorial Theatre	500.00	0.07	Discussions are underway with relevant parties to continue the renovation process.
4.	Building and Constructions- Carrying out the essential repairs identified at the Kundasale National Art resort	2.50	2.50	<p>Basic necessity/plan has been identified. A provision of Rs. 1.8749 million has been released to the Divisional Secretary, Kundasale to carry out the repairs. The repairing process has already begun and the physical progress is as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75% of work, in renovating the roof of the rear corridor of the House 01 of the resort and in renovating and installing gutters in the Polycarbonate roof in front of the main entrance, has been completed. • 10% of work in installing valance boards and gutters in

				<p>the roof of Artiste house has been completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20% of work, in removing the decayed valance boards and rafters and installing new valance boards and rafters in the Hostels number 01 and 02, has been completed. • Painting the canteen of the Resort has been completed (100%). • The partition of the hostel as to accommodate more people and the construction of new bathroom for house number 01 has not yet begun.
5.	Building and Constructions- Restructuring the layout of the head office (Partitioning)	3.00	3.00	<p>Basic necessity/plan has been identified. Provision has been released to the Divisional Secretary, Kaduwela for necessary work. Contract has been signed. Work began on 25.08.2025 and 40% has been completed up to date.</p>
6.	Literary Competitions	36.00	19.35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Literary Award Ceremony <p>State Literary lecture was conducted on 10.09.2025 at Sri Lanka Foundation Institute.</p> <p>State Literary Award Ceremony was held on 18.09.2025 at the Temple Tress Banquet Hall.</p>

				<p>Four Monthly Literary conferences have been conducted.</p> <p>• National Literature</p> <p>A provision of Rs.35000 has been allocated and delivered to each, to organize District and Regional level Literary Festivals for 2025. Arrangements are being made to hold the National Literary festival 2024 on the 6th December 2025.</p>
7.	Facilitating writers and external editors	5.00	0.11	<p>• Writers' Aid Project</p> <p>The acceptance of books have been completed. In the process of allocating books for reviewing process.</p> <p>• 'Sadesa' magazine</p> <p>Acceptance of articles have been completed and have been handed over for procurement.</p> <p>• National Manuscript Printing</p> <p>Printing is in progress for Tamil/English manuscripts of 2019/2020.</p> <p>Procurement process has been completed for Tamil/English manuscripts of 2021 and Sinhala/Tamil/English manuscripts of 2022 and have been handed over for printing.</p>

8.	Assistance for Traditional Arts Institutions	10.00	0.05	Scheduled to provide assistance after completing the reviewing process.
9.	Assistance to Artistes	52.00	39.57	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing 576 National Artiste Identity cards, Assisting 2854 Needed Artistes, 164 Medical Aids, 87 Funeral assistance and 02 assistance for other functions. • Providing assistance for 341 Divisional Secretariats and 04 Artists for “Kalakaru Suwadam” program. • Providing Assistance for 05 processions.
10.	National Arts Festivals	92.00	16.54	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Television Award Ceremony and Promotion Program Judgment is still in progress • State Drama Festival and Promotion Program Reviewing of manuscripts have been completed and the first round competitions have been completed for long and short dramas. • State Children’s Drama Festival and Promotion Program Reviewing of manuscripts have been completed and

				<p>second round competitions are still in progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Music Award Ceremony and Promotion Program First round Judgment is still in progress State Award Ceremony for Radio and Promotion Program Seminars were conducted at few schools in Homagama, Ampara and Gampaha. ‘Modern Global Radio’- a three day seminar was conducted at the Kundasale National Art Resort. State Children’s Art Festival and Promotion Program First round judgment has been concluded and second round judging and seminars are being conducted at District level. State Art & Sculpture Festival and Promotion Program Judging of the State Art & Sculpture Festival has been scheduled. State Dancing Award Ceremony and Promotion Program
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				<p>The commemoration ceremony for World Dancing Day was held at the Tourism Zone Unawatuna, Galle on 29.04.2025.</p> <p>District Level National Dancing Competitions has been conducted and concluded.</p> <p>A two day seminar was conducted for teachers in the dancing field on Novel Dancing Creations and Standardization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Photography Festival and Promotion Program Judging for the competition has begun. State Short Drama Festival and Promotion Program 02 seminars were conducted on establishing Film Communities. 02 programs were conducted on appreciation of cinema. Judgment has been concluded on selecting 10 best films. Kalabooshana Award Ceremony Applications have been forwarded to the Department after selecting the awardees at
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				<p>Divisional and District Secretariat Level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Dolos Mahe Pahana’ Program <p>Provisions have been released to 361 District and Divisional secretariat to execute the program.</p>
11.	Project on promotion and reconstruction of invaluable heritage	7.00	2.22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted the National ‘Poson Hewisi’ Pooja on 10.06.2025 at Anuradhapura. • Conducted the World Puppetry Day commemoration on 20.03.2025 at the auditorium of Balapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha. • Conducted Training on Intangible Heritage on 12/13/14.08.2025 at Wayamba Training Centre. • Conducted the ‘Athuru Mithuru’ program, a program on Children poetry, narrating stories and singing on 30.08.2025 at the National Art Gallery premises.

6. Department affiliated institutions and the programs carried out

- National Art Gallery
- John de Silva Memorial Theatre
- Mahawamsa Compilation Office
- Sinhala Dictionary Office
- Encyclopedia Office
- Ediriweera Sarachchandra Drama Research and Training Centre
- Walisinghe Harischandra Museum and Cultural Centre
- National Arts Academy in Kundasale
- Uthuru –Dakunu Mithuru Sewana- Mihinthale
- Books Sales Centre
- State Dance Ensemble and State Music Ensemble

6.1 Cultural shows presented by State Dance Ensemble and State Music Ensemble in 2025.

Description	Local/Abroad	Performance	
State Dance Ensemble	Local	free of charge	14
		upon payment	03
	Abroad	02	
State Music Ensemble	Local	free of charge	18
		upon payment	01
	Abroad	-	

6.2 Income derived from the reservations of affiliated Institutions of the Department of Cultural Affairs

Serial No:	Institutions	Income (Rs. Mn)
1.	Ediriweera Sarachchandra Drama Research and Training Centre	0.18
2.	National Arts Academy in Kundasale	4.07
3.	Uthuru –Dakunu Mithuru Sewana- Mihinthale	0.52
4.	Audio Visual Unit	0.19
5.	State Dance Ensemble and State Music Ensemble	0.31
6.	Books Sales Centre	0.97
7.	Walisinghe Harischandra Museum and Cultural Centre	0.02

7. Cultural Promotion

7.1. State Festivals

In conducting state festivals, the Department of Cultural Affairs aims to achieve the sustainable goal of making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable by strengthening the efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage.

Ceremony	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
State Literary Awards Ceremony and Promotion Programs	1.82	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Literary lecture was conducted on 10.09.2025 at Sri Lanka Foundation Institute. State Literary Award Ceremony was held on 18.09.2025 at the Temple Tress Banquet Hall.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four Monthly Literary conferences have been conducted.
State Television Awards Ceremony	0.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judgment is still in progress
State Drama Festival and promotional programs	0.93	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing of manuscripts have been completed and the first round competitions have been completed for long and short dramas.
State Children's Drama Festival and promotional programs	1.14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing of manuscripts have been completed and second round competitions are still in progress.
State Music Awards Ceremony	0.01	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Round Judgment is still in progress
State Award Ceremony for Radio and promotional programs	0.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seminars were conducted at few schools in Homagama, Ampara and Gampaha. • 'Modern Global Radio'- a three day seminar was conducted at the Kundasale National Art Resort
State Children's Art Festival and promotional programs	1.08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First round judging has been concluded and second round judging and seminars are being conducted at District level.
State Art & Sculpture Festival and promotional programs	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judging of the State Art & Sculpture Festival has been scheduled.
State Award Ceremony for Dancing and promotional programs	1.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The commemoration ceremony for World Dancing Day was held at the Tourism Zone Unawatuna, Galle on 29.04.2025. • District Level National Dancing Competitions has conducted and concluded.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A two day seminar was conducted for teachers in the dancing field on Novel Dancing Creations and Standardization.
State Photography Festival and promotional programs	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judgment process has begun
State Short film festival and promotional programs	0.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 02 seminars were conducted on establishing Film Communities. • 02 programs were conducted on appreciation of cinema. • Judging has been concluded on selecting 10 best films.
Kalabooshana State Awards Ceremony	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications have been forwarded to the Department after selecting the awardees at Divisional and District Secretariats

7.2. State Poson Hevisi Poojava

The elaborate state event of Poson Hevisi Pooja has been performed at the historic Ruwenveli Dagaba premises in every year by the Department of Cultural Affairs.

Date	Venue	Expenditure (Rs. Mn)
10.06.2025	Ruwenveli Dagaba premises Anuradhapura	0.51

8. Welfare Programs for artistes

Serial No	Project/Program	Financial Progress (Rs. Mn)	Physical Progress
1.	National Artistes' Identity Card	0.01	Number of IDs issued- 576

2.	Assistance to Needy Artistes The artistes above 60 years of age who are not pensioners and without any permanent income could obtain this assistance	28.54	Number of Recipients - 2854
3.	Medical Aid The Department of Cultural Affairs has been extending medical aid to artistes to meet their expenses during illnesses.	5.91	Number of Recipients - 164
4.	Funeral Aid to the artistes The Department of Cultural Affairs has been extending funeral aid to artistes to meet expenses at their funerals.	1.52	Number of Recipients -87
5.	Assistance to Art Institutions	-	Scheduled to provide assistance after completing the reviewing process.
6.	Aiding for Procession	0.36	Number of Recipients - 05
7.	Assistance for various festivals The Department extends financial assistance for the cultural festivals organized by the persons engaging in the field of art and by various organizations.	0.04	Number of Recipients - 02
8.	Kalakar Suwadam This is program conducted to visit the old aged artistes who were engaged in the art field for years.	5.20	Number of Recipients Divisional Secretariat – 341 National Level Artists - 04
9.	Organizing concerts of the musicians of 60, 70 decades	3.96	A Tamil Music festival was conducted on

			14.09.2025 at the Town hall Nuwaraeliya
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9. Literature and Publication Activities

Serial No.	Program	Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn)	Physical Progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Divisional, District and National Literary Festival	13.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical competitions have been concluded for the year 2025. • Judgment has been concluded for written competitions. • A provision of Rs.35000.00 has been allocated and delivered to hold the District and Divisional Literary Festivals for the year 2025. • Certificates for the District and Divisional Literary Festivals for the year 2025, has been delivered to the relevant authorities. • Organization is in progress to hold The National Literary Festival 2024 on 06th of December 2025.
2.	Aids for Writers Project	0.08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The acceptance of books have been completed. • 90% has been completed in allocating books for reviewing process.

3.	Sadesa Quarterly Magazine	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptance of articles have been completed and have been handed over for procurement.
4.	National Manuscript Competition	0.04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printing is in progress for Tamil/English manuscripts of 2019/2020. • Procurement process has been completed for Tamil/English manuscripts of 2021 and Sinhala/Tamil/English manuscripts of 2022 and have been handed over for printing 50% of printing has been completed.
5.	Sinhala Dictionary Compilation Office	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume 4 is being updated online.
6.	Dictionary and Encyclopedia Printing	1.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Printing of the Second Half of the Sinhala-Sinhala Dictionary has been completed. • 34, 35 manuscripts of the Sinhala-English Dictionary has been computerized. Computerizing the 36 manuscript is in progress. • Compilation for the 31st volume of the Sinhala-English dictionary has been completed and scheduled to be print and computerized. • Compilation of 32nd manuscript of English –Sinhala Dictionary and Sinhala/Tamil/English Trilingual Dictionary has been completed and is in proofreading.

7.	Reprinting of Department Publications	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement has been complete. Institutes has been selected for printing (50%)
8.	Mahawansa coordinating Office	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compilation of Mahawansa has been hold temporally until a new compilation committee is appointed as the term of office of the previous compilation committee has been expired.

10. Special Projects and programs

10.1. Dolosmahe Pahana program

This is a program implemented in 335 Divisional Secretariats and 26 District Secretariats throughout the year by the Cultural Officers to carry out cultural and arts promotional activities. (Provision for Ampara district has been sent separately for Tamil and Sinhala medium programs). Accordingly, each District and Divisional Secretariats were given a provision of Rs. 25,000. The total provision is Rs. 9.025 million as at 30.09.2025.

10.2 Research, Promotion and Development of Intangible Heritage

Serial No.	Program	Venue and Date	Expenditure (Rs.Mn)
1.	Commemoration of World Puppetry Day	At the auditorium of Balapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha on 20.03.2025	0.51
2.	Training on Intangible Heritage	At Wayamba Training Centre on 12/13/14.08.2025	0.35
3.	'Athuru Mithuru' program, on Children poetry, narrating stories and singing	At the National Art Gallery premises on 30.08.2025	0.08

10.3 Programs done by the Affiliated Institutes

Serial No.	Affiliated Institute	Programme	Expenditure (Rs.)	Other
1.	Ediriweera Sarachchandra Drama Research and Training Centre	‘Rangawarana’ , a theatre workshop	35,000.00	
2.	Walisinghe Harischandra Museum and Cultural Centre	112 th Commemoration programme on Walisinghe Harischandra	5,000.00	Implemented in collaboration with cultural authorities
3.	National Arts Academy in Kundasale	Thaipongal Festival	150,000.00	Conducted under the patronage of Divisional Secretariat
4.	National Arts Academy in Kundasale	Dumbara Sinhala New Year Festival	150,000.00	
5.	National Arts Academy in Kundasale	‘Gok’ Art Crafting	20,000.00	

11. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project / Programme	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Conducting the Kalabooshana Award Ceremony on 12.12.2025 at the Temple of Trees	10.00
2.	Writes Aid Project	2.50
3.	Printing National Manuscripts	2.00

4.	Conducting the National Literary Festival 2024 on the 06 th of December 2025	10.00
5.	Conducting State Drama Awards Ceremony – 19.12.2025	12.30
6.	Conducting State Dance Awards Ceremony – 17.11.2025	11.50
7.	Conducting State Children’s Art Festival – 14.12.2025	9.25
8.	Television Awards Ceremony (2021-2024) – 22.11.2025	7.50
9.	Television Awards Ceremony (2025)	9.50
10.	State Music Awards Ceremony – 02.12.2025	5.60
11.	Radio Centenary Celebration	5.70
12.	Program for Selecting the 25 Greatest Films of the Past 75 Years	1.40

12. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in the year 2026

Serial No.	Project / Programme	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Renovation of John de Silva Memorial theater	250.00
2.	Complete the Renovation of National Art Gallery	32.00
3.	Organization of a Dancing festival with collaboration of National Dancing Ensemble and the Tourism Promotion Bureau, Sri Lanka with the purpose of attracting tourists	02.00
4.	Translating World Literature and Drama Manuscripts to National Languages	1.00
5.	Conducting the Final Rounds of the State Drama Festival from 10.11.2025 to 28.11.2025 at the Elphinstone theater	18.50
6.	“Seeking Tradition” – a project on listing the Intangible Cultural Heritage	5.00

Department of National Museums

1. Mission, Objectives, and Key Functions

1.1 Mission

To acquire, collect, systematically document, and scientifically conserve artifacts and specimens reflecting the cultural and natural heritage, and to present these collections effectively and attractively to the public for the purposes of knowledge, research, study, education, and aesthetic appreciation.

1.2 Objectives

- To act as the pioneer in the museum sector of Sri Lanka, thereby contributing to sustainable development.
- To provide an optimal standard of museum services to both local and foreign visitors.
- To function as the foremost institution for imparting knowledge and understanding to the public regarding Sri Lanka's cultural and natural scientific heritage.

1.3 Key Functions

- Acquisition, Documentation, and Preservation of artifacts and specimens pertaining to the subject fields of Archaeology, Ethnology, Anthropology, Botany, Zoology, Entomology, and Geology.
- Maintenance and Administration of the eleven museums operating under the Department of National Museums, including the National Museum of Colombo, by ensuring the regular updating of permanent exhibits, maintaining security, and carrying out daily upkeep and administrative duties.
- Provision of effective research services for researchers through the National Museum Library, which houses a collection of the oldest conserved books and Ola leaf manuscripts.
- Conducting and publishing research related to the aforementioned subject fields.

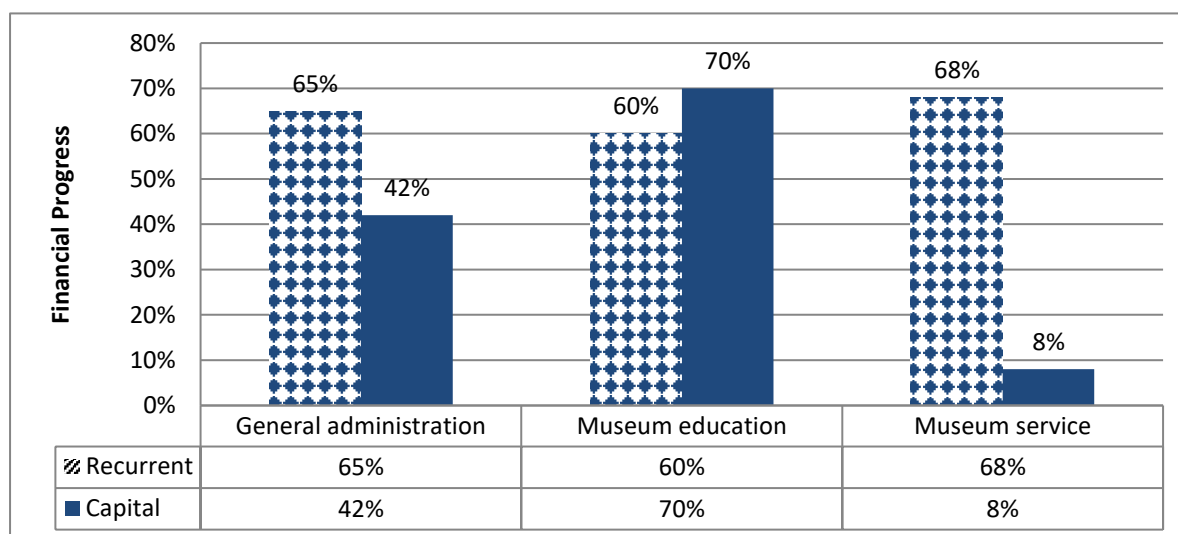
- Printing departmental publications, including the research journal "Spolia Zeylanica," as well as research papers and catalogues related to museum collections, and reprinting rare books.
- Educational Programs: Implementing educational programs such as lectures, workshops, seminars, and exhibitions to enhance knowledge in the aforementioned subject fields.
- Serving as the resource institution for providing knowledge on Museology to students from universities and other higher education institutions.
- Submitting reports related to the identification of animal specimens for legal proceedings.
- Providing consultancy services to external institutions for the establishment of new museums.
- Enhancing the number of local and foreign museum visitors through the provision of an attractive museum service, thereby contributing to the national income.

02 Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

	Program	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
Recurrent	General Administration	98.00	63.8	65%
	Museum education	82.00	49.5	60%
	Museum services	251.00	169.5	68%
	Sub total	431.00	282.9	66%
Capital	General Administration	30.00	12.6	42%

	Museum Education	35.5	24.9	70%
	Museum Services	283.5	21.5	8%
	Sub total	349.00	59.1	17%
	Grand Total	780.00	342.1	44%

2.1. Financial progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



3. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior Level	16	8
Tertiary Level	5	2
Secondary Level	242	113
Primary Level	303	256
Total	566	379

4. Progress of Major Projects/ Programs as at 30.09.2025

4.1 Conservation activities of artifacts and specimen

The conversations of 44 artifacts and 1,088 specimens was completed. Also 3,800 artifacts were photographed and completed.

4.2 Acquisition and Documentation

- **Acquisition**

20 artifacts and 248 specimens and 9,747 books were acquired

- **Documentation**

17 artifacts and 3,389 specimens and 6,049 books were documented

4.3 Updating

2,557 artifacts 2,831 specimens 498,304 books were updated

4.4 Specimen survey

108,336 artifacts 132,497 specimens 498,304 books were surveyed

4.5 Conducting educational lectures, conferences, Programs, workshops and mobile exhibitions by the Department of National Museums

- **Local**

- Mobile Exhibitions – 22
- Special Lectures – 85
- Special Workshops – 18
- Special Missions - 18

4.6 External services provided by the Department of National Museums

- Providing court reports -26
- External release of 148 photos
- Providing required educational reports for university interns - 9
- Providing internship training for 64 students

4.7 Research Contributions Provided by the Research Divisions of the National Museum Department

1. Ethnology Division-

Conducting research and holding exhibitions on the culture and lifestyle of the people living in the Nuwarakalaviya area in connection with the preparation of the exhibition

2 Entomology Division-

The research paper on the research conducted on the fruits of Sri Lanka with Director (Science) Dr. Manori Gunathilaka and Indian researcher Dr. Danish Baskar is being prepared.

3. Botany Division-

- Disclosure of the Research paper regarding “An Empirical Investigation on Sustainable Investment in Museums for Economic and Tourism Development: Insights from the Department of National Museums, Sri Lanka. “M.K. D. Poornima M Sathischandra”
- Contribution for Research for the training workshop for the promotion of research culture in the institutions of the Sri Lanka Scientific Service in 2025 regarding “Herbarium, Colombo National Museum: Diversity, Digitization, and Research Potential. “Sathischandra MKDPM *, Samanthika KA”, Department of National Museums, Colombo.”

5. Progress of Projects/ Programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Program	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Installation of solar panels for the Polonnaruwa Ancient Technology Museum	22.00	-	50% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Setting up the museum in a way that minimizes costs and increases revenue
2.	Repair of the ancient monument wall	12.5	8.47	80% of the entire project has been completed.

	around the museum premises			Benefits - Ensuring the security of the museum.
3.	Preparation of wall cabinets for exhibitions at the Anuradhapura Folk Museum	3.50	3.1	100% of the entire project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing visitor numbers by reorganizing the exhibits in an attractive manner.
4.	Repair of the front guardhouse of the Natural Science Museum	1.60	-	30% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Security of the museum ensured.
5.	Renovation of the Museum Gallery Café and Museum Art Gallery	15.32	4.1	25% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers
6.	Repair of the roof of the ancient building of the Ratnapura National Museum	60.00	-	20% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Ensuring the security of the museum.
7.	Installation of a CCTV camera system inside the Natural Science Museum.	2.00	-	25% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Ensuring the security of the museum.

8.	Reconstruction of the emergency exit stairs of the Natural Science Museum	4.50	-	20% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Ensuring the security of the museum.
9	Renovation of the mini auditorium interior of the National Museum of Natural Science	6.30	-	90% of the overall project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
10.	Installation of rain covers on the stairs of the Dutch Museum	4.00	-	20% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
11.	Renovation of the exhibition halls of the Dutch Museum	5.00	0.59	25% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through attractively reorganizing the exhibits and increasing number of visitors
12.	Reorganization of the Kandy Hall of the National Museum of Colombo	2.10	2.1	100% of the totale project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
13.	Painting of the west and east walls of the	11.00	0.64	25% of the total project has been completed.

	National Museum of Colombo and the exterior walls of the auditorium building			Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
14.	Rearrangement and renovation of the display boards of the Astronomy Gallery and the Small Mammals Hall of the Natural Science Museum	9.50	-	20% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
15.	Air conditioning of 3 halls on the first floor of the Natural Science Museum and air conditioning of the Science and Technology Hall of the Natural Science Museum	8.50	-	70% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
16.	Air conditioning of the halls of the Colombo National Museum	15.20	-	20% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
17.	Preparation of the nameplate of the Colombo National Museum	5.80	-	20% of the total project has been completed.

				Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
18.	Renovation of the building with rooms of the Anuradhapura Museum	5.90	-	15% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
19.	Exhibitions enshrining the Nedungamuwa Elephant Air conditioning of the Gallery and other works	18.20	0.32	55% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Conserving and completing the Nedungamuwa Hasthirajaya by using modern methods.
20.	Renovation of the Gallery of the Galle National Museum	3.55	2.72	55% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing the number of visitors by reorganizing the exhibitions in an attractive manner.
21.	Renovation of the exhibitions of the Anuradhapura Museum	18.00	-	50% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through attractively reorganizing the exhibits and increasing number of visitors.

22.	Renovation of the roof and garden of the south building of the Dutch Museum	13.00	1.5	30% of the total project has been completed. Benefits – Increase the revenue through increasing viewers.
23.	Internal renovation of the auditorium dining hall	1.75	0.98	50% of the total project has been completed. Benefits -Promoting the museum's facilities in a systematic and orderly manner
24.	Installation of door covers for the bookcases of the National Museum Library	5.00	-	30% of the total project has been completed. Benefits - Arrangement of shelves to safely store books of archaeological value in the museum
25.	Renovation of Lotus gallery	3.40	0.08	100% of the entire project has been completed. Benefits Increasing visitors through the growth of visitors
26.	Renovation of the toilet system of Polonnaruwa museum	11.30	-	40% of the entire project has been completed. Benefits Increasing visitors through the growth of visitors

27.	Renovation of the toilet system of Dutch museum	1.60	-	100% of the entire project has been completed. Benefits Increasing visitors through the growth of visitors
28.	renovation of the 2 back gates	3.00	-	25% of the entire project has been completed. Benefits – ensuring the safety of the museum

6. Number of museum visitors from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025

Museum	Local		Foreign		Total
	child	adult	child	adult	
Colombo National Museum	64,694	44,340	2,868	36,216	148,118
National Museum of Natural History	26,895	17,928	343	4,733	49,899
Dutch Museum	563	5,566	59	2,060	8,248
Freedom Memorial Museum	4233	3,891	50	923	9,097
Kandy National Museum	5293	5,306	84	2,114	12,796
Ratnapura National Museum	10,942	9,143	2	98	20,185
Galle National Museum	4,868	2,833	35	776	8,512
Galle Marine Museum	12,532	12,495	326	5,499	31,152
Anuradhapura Folk Museum	0	0	0	0	0
Magampura Ruhunu Heritage Museum	2,041	1,046	5	69	3,161

Polonnaruwa Ancient Technology Museum	15,937	10,483	7	207	26,634
Total	148,297	113,031	3,779	52,695	317,802

6.1 Total number of visitors from 2012 to 30.09.2025

Year	Overall visitors
2015	386,656
2016	402,533
2017	465,977
2018	505,838
2019	448,128
2020	113,226
2021	46,671
2022	325,718
2023	368,435
2024	575,412
2025	317,802

7. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

- Installation of solar panels for the Polonnaruwa Museum of Ancient Technology
- Renovation of the Museum Gallery Café and Museum Lotus Gallery
- Renovation of the roof of the ancient building of the Ratnapura National Museum
- Painting of the west and east walls of the National Museum of Colombo and the exterior walls of the auditorium building
- Reconstruction and renovation of the exhibition boards of the Astronomy Gallery and the Small Mammals Gallery of the Museum of Natural History

- Preparation of the name plate of the Colombo National Museum
- Renovation of the building with rooms of the Anuradhapura Museum
- Air conditioning of the exhibition gallery where the **Nedungamuwa Hasthirajaya** is kept and other works
- Renovation of the exhibitions of the Anuradhapura Museum
- Renovation of the roof and garden of the south building of the Dutch Museum

8. Projects/ Programs expected to be implemented in year 2026.

Serial No.	Project / Programme	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Renovation of the Bird gallery in the Museum of naturel history	0.60
2.	Repair of the Building in the National Museum of Kandy	0.70
3.	Modernization of the veranda of the Galle National Museum premises to match the ancient architectural features	1.50
4.	For renovation of roof of Ratnapura National Museum (second phase)	110.00
5.	Installation of CCTV cameras in the Museum of Naturel history (, second phase)	2.00
6.	Modernization of the exhibitions of the Anuradhapura Folk Museum	6.00
7.	Complete renovation of the annex building of the Dutch Museum	25.00
8.	Renovation of Museum Arcade Building	30.00

Department of National Archives

1 Mission, Objective and Main Functions

1.1 Mission

Systematically managing the creation, collection, preservation and accessibility of public and private archives and records

1.2 Objectives and Main Functions

The objectives and functions set out in the National Archives Act No. 48 of 1973, and the National Archives (Amendment) Act No. 30 of 1981 are as follows.

- Ensuring the official custody and physical safety of public archives
- Providing information for research and investigation purposes
- Development of disposal regulations related to transfer of records to the National Archives and destruction of records of government institutions.
- Conducting records surveys in public institutions.
- Administration of Presidential Archives and its reference service
- Maintaining the legal deposit of publications produced in the country.
- Conducting training workshops for Records Management and Conservation.
- Administer the ordinances on printing presses, printers and publishers and newspapers.
- Preserving and cataloging of deposited private collections.
- Documentation of the details and ownership of all historical records in the country

2. Alignment of ongoing Programs/projects with Sustainable Development Goals

The main function of the Department of National Archives is to systematically manage and preserve documentary heritage, and the Programs / projects implemented by the department are in accordance with the following sustainable development goals.

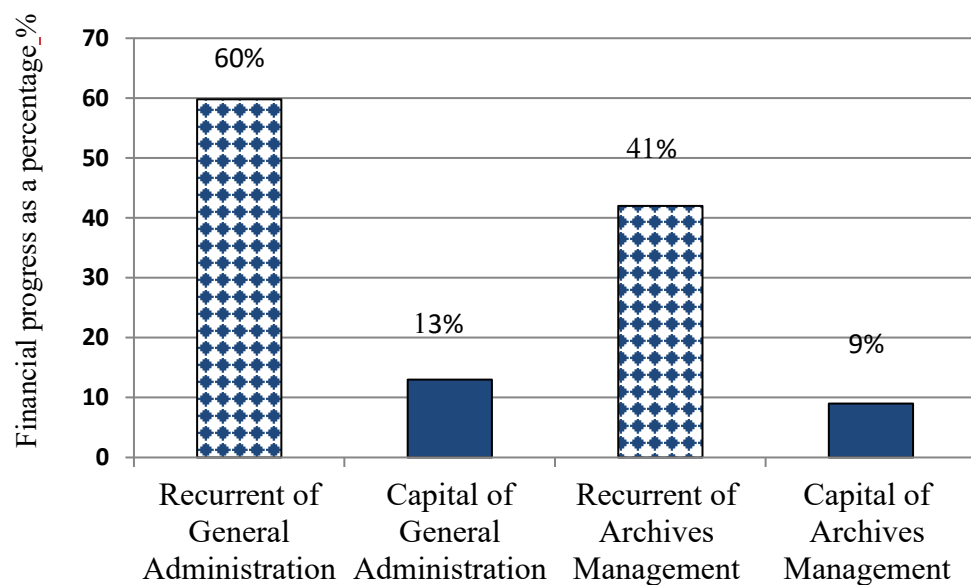
- The National Archives contributes to equitable quality education under Goal No. 4 by providing information to researchers and students, maintaining research rooms for the public to develop knowledge and skills, and preserving and conserving cultural heritage.
- The National Archives has the potential to assist in building resilient infrastructure, promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization, and fostering innovation under Goal No. 9 by providing a reliable source and online access to information and data, providing the services of trained records managers, archivists and conservators, providing access facilities to digital information, and through ensuring trust and accountability of the government from systematic records management.
- Through providing a reliable source for factual information, ensuring trust and accountability to the government, and through improving service delivery with timely, quality information, the National Archives contributes to Goal No. 11.4 to strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage.
- The National Archives contributes to developing effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels under Goal No. 16.6 and to ensuring public access to information and protecting fundamental freedoms in accordance with national legislation and international agreements under Goal No. 16.10 by providing equitable access to information about society, evidence of government decision making, identity, confirmation of rights and entitlements, and through the formalization of records management.

3. Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

Program		Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
General Administration	Recurrent	172.72	103.32	60%
	Capital	10.00	1.29	13%
	Sub total	182.72	104.61	57%
	Recurrent	118.75	48.85	41%

Archives	Capital	1502.33	131.50	9%
Management	Sub total	1621.08	180.39	11%
Total		1803.80	285.00	16%

3.1 Financial Progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



4. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior	16	07
Tertiary	19	05
Secondary	164	66
Primary	86	81
Total	285	159

5. Progress of Projects/Programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Acquisition of public records	---	---	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the National Archives Law No. 48 of 1973, records are being acquired from ministries, departments, statutory bodies and other institutions and the number of records acquired is – 16,764 • (The 16,764 number of records have been accrued during the period under consideration as, 10, 398 under Section 11 and 6,394 under Section 13 of the National Archives Law.)
2.	Registration of Books, Newspapers and Printing Presses	---	---	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the deposit of all publications and newspapers published in this country on a legal basis as a national collection, 8,760 publications have been registered. • Number of new printing presses registered from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025 – 07. • One new newspaper has been registered.

3.	Conservation of Records	---	---	<p>For the preservation of the documentary heritage of the nation for future generations the conservation of 02 archival volumes, binding of 248 newspapers, Conservation of 1,800 pages of ola leaf manuscripts and 125 volumes and binding of 50 books in thick covers and 36 books in thin covers were carried out.</p> <p>Also, surveying the records of 05 public authorities and providing advice was carried out.</p>
4.	Renovating Main Office Building	980.69	102.33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On 26.12.2018, the contract for the relevant work was awarded for the renovation of the main building of the Department of National Archives and installing central air cooling, fire protection & advanced security systems, and the work was started. • Construction work was temporarily halted until a decision was taken on the project's time extension and estimate revision, and construction work resumed from June 2024 after

				receiving approval of the Cabinet of ministers on May 28, 2024 for the time extension and revised estimate. (So far, about 72% of the work has been completed)
5.	Installation of a mobile racking system for the main building	380.00	---	The establishment of the Mobile Racking System in the main building is being done under this project to expand the facilities for safe storage of records and the bids were invited for mobile racking system and the contract was awarded to the selected contractor on 10.12.2024 and the advance payment was made on 24.12.2024. Work is underway to prepare the floor of the repositories for the installation of mobile racks, and sample testing of the mobile racks is also being carried out.
6.	Establishment of a Trusted Digital Repository (Phase 01)	65.00	---	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project mainly focuses on the establishment of a Trusted Digital Repository for the long-term preservation of the nation's collective memory, streamlining the acquisition of digital records, and streamlining the delivery of

				<p>public services through fast access to reliable information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since the Total Cost Estimate of this project had increased and the tasks of the project had been revised, a revised project plan was submitted to the Department of National Planning and the revised project plan was approved by the same Department on 26.12.2024. Relevant activities are being carried out to initiate the project (Two Technical Appraisal Committee meetings were held.)
7	Presence of the public for inquiries about documents	---	---	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public visiting the Research Room and documents issued. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Visiting the division from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025 - 2,597 ➤ Archives used – 2,957 ➤ Other documents used - 484 ➤ Used microfilms – 749 ➤ Used newspapers – 1,184 • Number of applications received to obtain copies of extracts by visiting the Public Relations Division.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Visiting the division from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025 - 4,772 ➤ Number of applications received for obtaining extracts for Thombu, Sannas, Grain Taxes, Gazettes, Voters registers, Nila / Praveni registers, Vihara Devala records and scanned documents – 4,368 • Since July 2025, the research room has also been open to the public on Saturdays.
8.	Formulation of National Policy on Archives and Records Management.	---	---	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Policy on Archives and Records Management, which was finalized and drafted by the expert committee appointed for this task, was submitted to the Minister and Secretary of the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs for approval on 31.12.2024, and the policy received Cabinet approval by Cabinet Decision No. 25/0553/822/010 dated 07.04.2025. • Necessary work is being done to update the existing

				<p>glossary on archival science in order to publish this policy as a book, and the Subject and Language Expert Committee has so far held 08 meetings regarding this work. This glossary is scheduled to be released in three languages.</p>
9.	Open House program.	---	---	<p>A series of special programs were implemented under the theme "Open House" and other special opportunities to educate the public and the state sector about the role of the Department of National Archives. The following participants, amounting to almost 600 persons, participated in these Programs and had the opportunity to visit the divisions of the Department of National Archives and learn about them.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sri Lanka Air Force Headquarters on 10.01.2025 - 22 participants • Balangoda Urban Council, Chief Secretariat (North Western Province) Groups I and II, General Public on 31.01.2025 - 40 participants • Chief Secretariat (North Western Province) Groups

				<p>III and IV on 14.02.2025 - 40 participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Secretariat (North Western Province) Groups V and VI on 28.02.2025 - 40 participants • Chief Secretariat (North Western Province) Groups VII and VIII on 14.03.2025 - 40 participants • National Defense Academy Groups I and II on 28.03.2025 - 40 participants • Hanguranketha Pradeshiya Sabha Groups I and II on 25.04.2025 - 25 participants • Kandy District Secretariat, Medagama Pradeshiya Sabha on 09.05.2025 - 24 participants • Trainees of the Kandy branch of the Department of National Archives, University of Peradeniya on 30.05.2025 - 12 participants • Hakmana Pradeshiya Sabha, Department of State Finance, Sri Lanka Army Headquarters on 13.06.2025 - 31 participants • Special delegation from Maldives on 24.06.2025 - 08 participants
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badulla Teaching Hospital, Medawachchiya Base Hospital on 27.06.2025 - 08 participants • Panwila Pradeshiya Sabha, Sri Lanka Rubber Research Institute (Group I) on 11.07.2025 - 31 participants • Alawwa Regional Hospital, Sri Lanka Rubber Research Institute (Group II) on 25.07.2025 - 35 participants • Ministry of Environment, Open University (Nawala) on 01.08.2025 - 31 participants • Department of the Registrar General (Central Record Room), Department of Government Printing on 22.08.2025 - 35 participants • Supreme Court - Colombo, Attorney General's Department on 22.08.2025 - 02 participants • Danowita Pradeshiya Sabha, Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage, Kotelawala Defence Academy, Sugathadasa Indoor Sports Complex On 29.08.2025 - 37 participants
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ratnapura District Secretariat, Sri Lanka Air Force Headquarters on 12.09.2025 - 30 participants • Department of Government Factory, Department of Labor on 26.09.2025. - 26 participants
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6. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project / Program	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Renovating Main Office Building & Installing Central Air Cooling, Fire Protection & Advanced Security Systems. (Continuing the project which is currently in progress.)	980.69
2.	Installation of a mobile racking system for the main building. (Continuing the project which is currently in progress.)	380.00
3.	Establishment of a Trusted Digital Repository	65.00

7. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in the year 2026

Serial No.	Project / Programme	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Renovating Main Office Building & Installing Central Air Cooling, Fire Protection & Advanced Security Systems. (Continuing the project which is currently in progress.)	1,099.31
2.	Installation of a mobile racking system for the main building. (Continuing the project which is currently in progress.)	103.85
3.	Establishment of a Trusted Digital Repository	76.48
4.	Project for research on the palm leaf Collections of Sri Lankan origin in the Netherlands (Foreign - Dutch grant).	Euro - 384,248
5.	Dutch Archives Digitization Project between National Archives of Sri Lanka and National Archives of the Netherlands (Foreign - Dutch grant).	98.40
6.	Project for the digitization of the <i>Gnanarthapradeepa</i> newspaper with the National Archives of Sri Lanka and the American Institute for Lankan Studies (Foreign)	2.20

National Library and Documentation Services Board

1. Mission, Objectives and Key Responsibilities

1.1 Mission

To preserve the nation's intellectual heritage for fostering an informed society, enhance the National Library and Documentation Services System, promote the use of information and communication technology to improve library service efficiency, provide documentation facilities, and support book

1.2 Objectives and Key Responsibilities

According to Section 25 of the National Library and Documentation Services Board Act No. 51 of 1998, the objectives and responsibilities are as follows:

- Provide leadership to all library, information, and allied services in Sri Lanka.
- Establishing a comprehensive national repository of library materials written, printed, or otherwise expressed, whether within the country or abroad.
- Organizing and maintaining bibliographic and documentation services.
- Advising the government on education, training, and professional fields related to libraries and information services, and formulating standards.
- Organizing human resources and promoting physical resources for the development of local libraries.
- Encourage local book publishing and promote reading.
- Promote the use of information technology in libraries and information services
- Strengthening collaboration with national, regional, and international institutions and organizations in the library and information sector
- Organizing libraries and information services in a way that respects the cultural identities of various communities while ensuring mutual coexistence.
- Organizing and providing the necessary resources and services for academic research.

2. Aligning programs/projects with the sustainable development goals (SDGs).

The primary responsibilities of the National Library and Documentation Services Board include managing the National Library and Documentation Center and implementing library services and development activities at a national level. The board's existing objectives and functions, along with its ongoing programs and projects, align with the sustainable development goals outlined below.

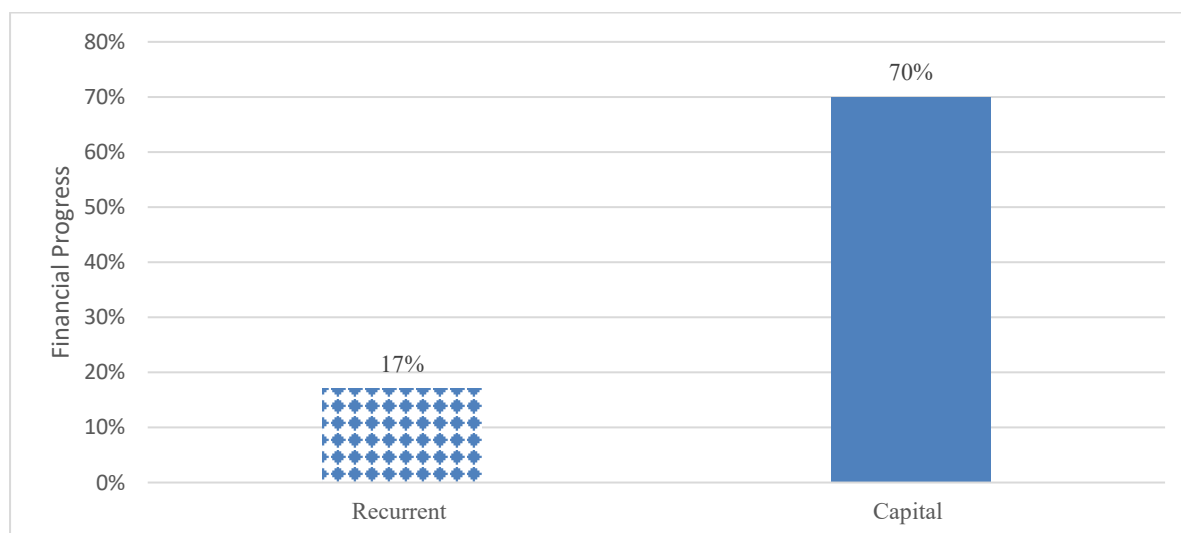
- The Board's objectives, functions, and ongoing programs/projects align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) outlined in section 1.2. Through these initiatives, the National Library and Documentation Services Board directly contributes to SDG 4, which focuses on ensuring inclusive, equitable, and quality education, while providing lifelong learning opportunities for all. Additionally, it indirectly supports SDG 1 by contributing to the eradication of poverty in all its forms.
- The National Library and Documentation Services Board has the potential to contribute to building strong infrastructure under Sustainable Development Goal 9 by promoting the integration of information technology into library and information services and providing access to digital information. It also has the capacity to support the advancement of inclusive and sustainable industrialization and innovation.
- The National Library and Documentation Services Board has the potential to advise the government on education, training, and professional sectors related to library and information services, establish standards, and provide leadership to library, information, and allied services in Sri Lanka. In doing so, it contributes to Sustainable Development Goal 8, which promotes inclusive and sustainable economic growth, productive employment, and decent work for all.
- By fostering collaboration with national, regional, and international institutions and organizations in the library and information sector, the National Library and Documentation Services Board has the ability to contribute to Sustainable Development Goal 17, which aims to strengthen and revitalize global partnerships for sustainable development.

3. Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

- Local Provisions

Source of Allocation	2025 Allocation / Revenue (Rs. Mn)	Expenditure as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)	Financial Progress (%)
Capital	(The expenses for the renovation of the building of the National Public Services Commission are being borne by the Ministry under the expenditure head 101-02-05-052-2001)	33.0	17%
Recurrent	195.00	155.70	70%
Institutional Revenue	27.50		
Total	422.50	188.70	45%

3.1. Financial Progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



4. Carder as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior	18	16
Tertiary	20	14
Secondary	101	62
Primary	55	35
Total	194	127

5. Progress of Projects/ Programs as at 30.09.2025

No	Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025										
1.	Acquisition of Publications for National Collection	2.40	1.05	<div>The National Library of Sri Lanka acquires publications through 04 main acquisition methods. The total publications acquired are as follows:</div> <table><tr><th><u>Method of acquisition</u></th><th><u>Quantity</u></th></tr><tr><td>Purchases</td><td>3,476</td></tr><tr><td>Legal Deposits</td><td>7,473</td></tr><tr><td>Donations (Individuals / Institutions/ ISBN)</td><td>936</td></tr><tr><td>Exchange Services</td><td>72</td></tr></table> <div>From the Rs. 2.40Mn allocated for the 2025, Rs. 1,055,391.50 has been spent on purchases.</div>	<u>Method of acquisition</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	Purchases	3,476	Legal Deposits	7,473	Donations (Individuals / Institutions/ ISBN)	936	Exchange Services	72
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2.	Maintain Library Services	0.73	0.40	The National Library of Sri Lanka operates as a reference library. As at 30.09.2025 5,814 readers used the library, and 4,062 new members were enrolled.
3.	Writer's commemoration Programs	-	-	<p>A writing competition for school children was organized to commemorate Mahagathkaru Martin Wickremasinghe's 49th death anniversary. The award ceremony and certificates distribution were held on 22.08.2025.</p> <p>A commemorative programme for Professor Punchibandara Sannansgala's 110th birth anniversary was held on 30.07.2025. He made significant contributions to Sinhala language and literature</p>
4.	Organization of various lectures and promotional Programs		-	To enhance awareness about the National Library, the Asian Foundation and the National Library have jointly conducted five (05) "Meet an Expert" Programs, three (03) "English for Fun" Programs, and one (01) "Let's Read" programme during the year.
5.	Digitization of Government Publications (Gazettes from 1975 to 1985)	4.00	-	The National Library is digitizing approximately 200,000 pages of government gazettes published from 1975 to 1985 and uploading the indexed data to the D Space

				database.
6.	Publication of the Sri Lanka National Bibliography (monthly) and the Sri Lanka Periodicals (quarterly).	0.68	0.32	<p>Publication of National Bibliography (Monthly) - March 2025 issue released</p> <p>Printing of National Bibliography - April 2025 issue. Publication of Sri Lanka Journal Articles Index (Quarterly) - up to Q1 2023</p>
7.	Entering the data for computer indexing and providing publication – based indexing data for newly published works by authors.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data entry of 4,632 publications into National Library Koha (online) catalogue. • Provision of Cataloguing-in-Publication (CIP) data for 92 newly published works
8.	National Library collection Conservation Programs.	3.50	3.22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the conservation of the National Library collection 1,047 books were fumigated with thymol, 410 damaged books were bound, 3047 pages were prepared using tissue, and 89 booklet boxes were prepared. • Preservation of 176 Ola leaf books in the National Library collection. • Distribution of 129 bottles of palm oil for the preservation of

				Ola leaf manuscripts under “Panhida.”
9.	External Conservation program			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation of 347 palm leaf books at the Paramakanda Viharaya in Galle, 196 palm leaf books at the Parama Vichithrananda Viharaya in Galle, 268 palm leaf books at the Shailabimbaramaya in Dodanduwa in Galle and 816 palm leaf books at the Nawinna Ayurveda Research Institute.
10.	Memory of the World (MOW) -UNESCO Programme		-	Documentation and trilingual inscription related to Pandura-wadaya were added to the UNESCO Memory of the World International Register on 17.04.2025.
11.	Library Research Activities	1.40	0.63	<p>Organization of a two-day workshop on research methodology and related fields.</p> <p>Organization of Annual International Research Conference - Theme: "Building a Smart Nation through Smart Libraries"</p>

12.	Issue of International Standards numbers	0.50	0.65	Up to 30.09.2025, the following international standard numbers were issued, generating income as shown: <table><tr><td>Type of standard</td><td>Amount</td><td>Income (Rs.)</td></tr><tr><td>ISBN</td><td>8,555</td><td>3,422,000.00</td></tr><tr><td>ISSN</td><td>215</td><td>86,000.00</td></tr><tr><td>ISMN</td><td>18</td><td>7,200.00</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>8,788</td><td>3,515,200.00</td></tr></table>	Type of standard	Amount	Income (Rs.)	ISBN	8,555	3,422,000.00	ISSN	215	86,000.00	ISMN	18	7,200.00	Total	8,788	3,515,200.00
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13.	Publication Assistance Project	3.80	0.65	Financial assistance of Rs. 646,250.00 has been provided for 10 publications during the year.															
14.	Other Publication Activities	0.20	0.16	Publication of a Sinhala Language Department manual on "Bibliography Compilation Methodology" – a guide on proper preparation of bibliographies.															
15.	New Publication Acquisition	1.80	2.84	Acquisition of 342 publications printed in Sri Lanka under this project.															
16.	Library Grading	0.23	0.04	Chunnakama Public Library has been graded as a Grade 1 library															
17.	Donation Books to Libraries.	-	-	Book donations were made to: 41 school libraries, 80 public libraries, and 34 Buddhist schools,															

				community libraries and other libraries during the year.
18.	Training Programs/Workshops	2.50	1.35	Conducting 12 training programs for library staff officers. Conducting a 07 Short – term training programs on library conservation. (For public libraries)
19.	Capacity Development of Board Officials	0.60	0.38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 56 Board officers have been sent for short-term training. Conducting a training workshop on “ Office File Management and Office system” for Board Management Assistants and Information Assistants. Held on 30.08.2025 for board officers and high-level officers of the board.

6. Progress of projects/Programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Project/ Program	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Conducting the National Reading Month program.	1.34
2.	Conducting a capacity development program for board officers.	0.22
3.	Conducting a one-day program on research methodology and data analysis.	0.77
4.	Developing the “ Panama ” Rural Library.	1.00
5.	Completing the project to digitize government gazettes from 1975 to 1985	4.0

7. Projects / Programs expected to be implemented in the year 2026

Serial No.	Project/Program	Estimate (Rs. Mn)
1.	Project for Expanding the Digital Collection of Publications at the Sri Lanka National Library	8.00
2.	Procurement of Resources for the National Library	2.60
3.	Development of Two Rural Libraries in Selected Districts	2.50
4.	Empowering Librarians through Training Workshops	3.50
5.	Conducting awareness programs for regional cultural officers and assisting in identifying intangible cultural heritage for preservation	0.50
6.	Integrated Programs to promote reading among Sri Lankan Communities	2.00
7.	Introduction of a National Policy for the Library Sector in Sri Lanka	-
8.	Launching joint reading promotion programs with the Clean Sri Lanka program.	-

J.R.Jayewardene Centre

J.R. Jayewardene Centre was established by the J.R. Jayewardene Centre Act No. 77 of 1988.

Board of Governors: The administration, management and control of the Centre are vested in a Board of Governors.

1 Vision, Mission and Objectives

1.1 Vision

Collection, restoration, preservation and maintenance of First Executive President of Sri Lanka President J.R. Jayewardene's all archival records relating to his tenure of office and childhood to demise, memorabilia, and other records, books, and museum artifacts for the future.

1.2 Mission

Afford viewing of items in the museum and reference to books and other documents in the library and archives and permit such notes to be taken as desired by national and international researchers and readers. Organizing of lectures, workshops and social development programs on current affairs. Maintain the centre and conduct its affairs and activities in compliance with and fulfillment of the desire and intentions engaged by President Jayewardene.

1.3 Objectives

- Hold all public records and printed matters transferred to the National Archives at the expiration of the term of office of His Excellency J.R.Jayewardene, the first elected Executive President of Sri Lanka 1978-1988: under section 9A of the National Archives Law.48 of 1973:
- Accept for deposit, books, papers, files, photographs, motion picture films and discs, audiotapes and videotapes recordings, family heirlooms and memorabilia of the childhood and youth of the said J.R.Jayewardene, items created and collected by him out of personal interest, memorabilia relating to election campaigns, official portraits and awards, medals and gifts received by him:

- Accept for deposit, material relating to the said J. R. Jayewardene, donated by political party associates, family and personal friends and others:
- Take all necessary steps to protect and preserve the material referred to in above paragraphs
- Provide a reference service on such material:
- Present exhibitions of such material:
- Hold scholarly meetings:
- Hold oral history Programs

2. Sustainable Development Goals

Goal No 04

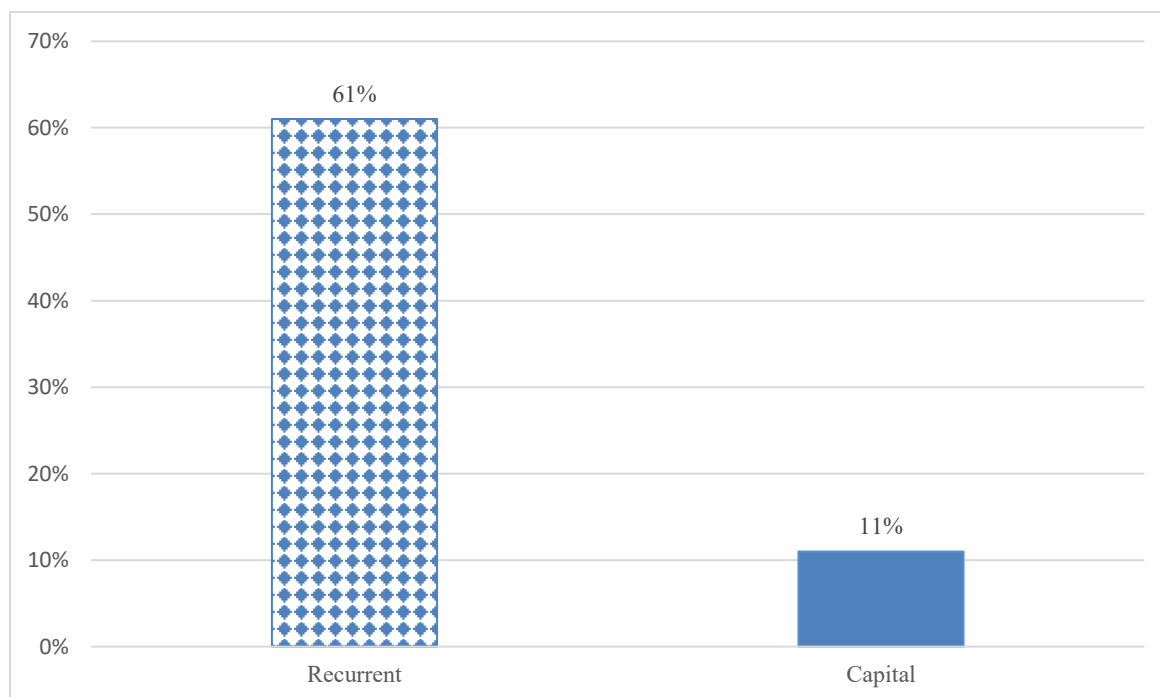
Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

3. Provisions for the year 2025 and Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

The Treasury do not allocate funds to J.R.Jayewardene Centre. The JRJC is earning income for implementing capital projects and other recurrent expenses.

Program	Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
Recurrent	51.66	31.49	61%
Capital	10.55	1.17	11%
Total	62.21	32.66	53%

3.1 Financial Progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



3.2 Income of the Centre

Serial No.	Source of Income	Income as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn)
1.	Building Rent Income	24.62
2.	Hall Hiring Income	8.42
3.	Interest on Fixed Deposits	4.08
4.	Sales of Books	0.26
6.	Photo copies and Other Income	0.04
	Total Income	37.42

4. Carder as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior	01	01
Executive	05	04
Secondary	10	07
Primary	20	14
Total	36	26

5. Progress of Projects / Programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Auditoriums renovations	2.50	0.44	17% New bulbs system has been fixed
2.	Purchasing of Furniture & Fittings	0.50	0.48	100%
3.	Purchasing of Office equipment	0.50	0.26	52%

6. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of year 2025

Serial No.	Project/Programs	Estimate (Rs.Mn)
1.	Fix curtains to the main auditoriums	2.00

7. Projects/ Programs expected to be implemented in year 2026

Serial No.	Project/ Programs	Estimate (Rs.Mn)
1.	To installed partition for the library	0.50
2.	to renovate room no 23, of the library	0.70
3.	To renovate lunch room	0.25
4.	To paint exhibit cabinet of the Museum	0.15
5.	To renovate Brema house	3.00
6.	To repairing motor vehicles	1.00
7.	To valuation museum items	1.00
8.	To printing leaflets	0.15
9.	To purchase 2, nos of Exhibit Almeria	0.10
10.	To purchase 2, nos of Class Almeria	0.20
11.	To installed Library software	0.80
12.	To purchase Air Conditioner Machine to the Library	0.30
13.	To purchase table cloths and chair covers	0.10
14.	To purchase Sofa Set	0.15
15.	To purchase 10 nos of Solar bulbs	0.20
16.	To purchase 2, nos of projectors	0.18
17.	To purchase hard disk	0.15
18.	To installed CCTV camera system	1.00
19.	To purchase a computer – Accounts Section	0.20
20.	To purchase digital TV	0.14
21.	To purchase Air Conditioner Machine to the Museum	0.40

Arts Council of Sri Lanka

1. Mission, Objectives and Main Function

1.1. Mission

- To uplift the Sri Lankan Artistes and creative work up to international level.
- To uplift the Aesthetic skills of Sri Lankan community to become the center of Asian Art.

1.2. Objectives and Main Functions

The General objectives to be achieved by establishing the Arts Council of Sri Lanka are in terms of the Parliament Act No.18 of 1952.

- To develop a greater knowledge, understanding and practice of the fine arts.
- To develop and increase the accessibility of works of art to the public in Sri Lanka.
- To improve the Standards of execution in the fine arts.
- To assure, encourage and instigate development of arts and crafts pertaining to Sri Lanka.
- To advertise government Departments, regional forces and other institutions in any fact directly or indirectly applicable to the objectives mentioned herein above.

2. Sustainable Development Goals

- **Goal No. 4**

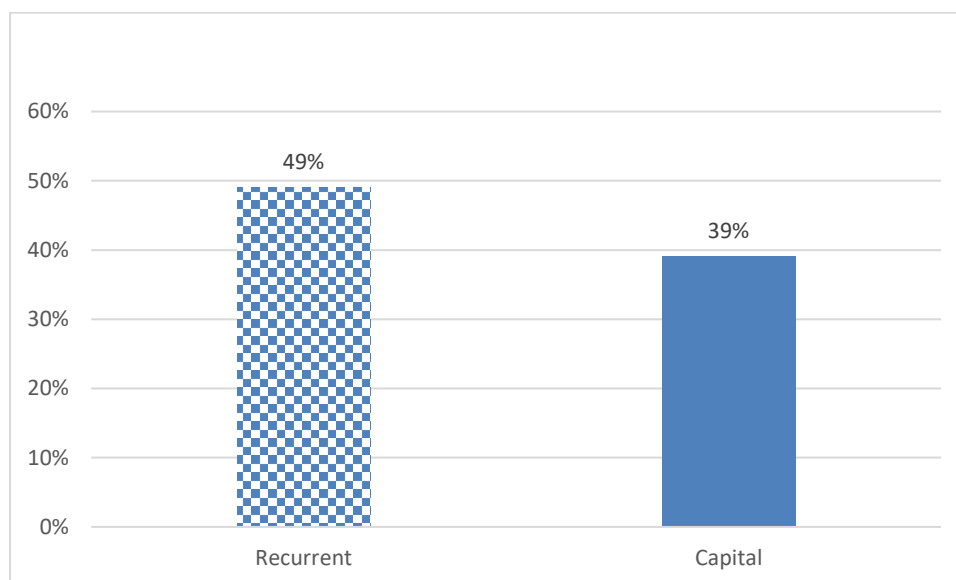
Ensuring completed justice quality education and given the opportunity for studying for all in lifetime. (Target 4.7)

3. Provisions for 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

Program	Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
Recurrent	14.20	7.02	49%

Capital	8.00	3.10	39%
Total	22.20	10.12	45%

3.1 Financial Progress Percentage as at 30.09.2025



4. Carder as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Tertiary Level	01	00
Secondary Level	04	02
Primary Level	02	02
Total	07	04

An officer of the Department of Cultural Affairs has been appointed to the post of Acting Secretary.

5. Progress of Projects/Programs as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Program	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
Recurrent Provisions				
1.	Artists Financial Assistant Scheme	1.50	0.50	<p>Physical Progress 33%</p> <p>Based on the recommendation of the Department of Cultural Affairs and the Divisional Secretary, and According to the information received by the Arts Council of Sri Lanka, financial assistance of Rs.50,000.00 for each has been granted to the ten artists under the artists Assistant Scheme (Athahitha Financial Assistant Scheme)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr.R.V.D.Upali Chandrasiri - (State Visual Arts Panel) • Mrs.Lalitha Padmini Perera - (State Dance and Ballet Panel) • Mr.Y.L.Daniel - (State Dance and Ballet Panel) • Mr.Neil Alles – (State Drama Panel) • Mr.Saranapala Jayasooriya - (State Drama Panel) • Mr.Hubulwela Dissanayaka – (State Visual Arts Panel)

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs.Rupa Pathirana - (State Television Panel) • Mr.Gamini Rathnasiri - (State Television Panel) • Mr.Saman Almeda - (State Television Panel) • Mr.Bandula R.Gulawatta- (Divisional Secretariat Horana)
2.	Holding of the Literary Skills Workshops	0.40	0.20	Physical Progress 50% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Literary Sinhala and Tamil medium programs were successfully held and completed on 04 th July 2025 at Allakanda Tamil Maha Vidyalaya and Don Henry Fadrick Vidyalaya at Horana.
3.	Holding of the Drama and Performing Arts Skills Workshops	0.40	0.20	Physical Progress 50% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drama and Performing Arts two programs in Sinhala and Tamil medium were successfully held and completed on 18th July 2025 at Matara Divisional Secretariate Office and other one was held on 20th August 2025 at Puwakpitiya Tamil Central College.
4.	Holding of the Visual Arts Skills Workshops	0.40	0.20	Physical Progress 50% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visual Arts Sinhala and Tamil medium two programs were successfully held and completed on 17th July 2025 at Ahaliyagoda Dharmapala Maha Vidyalaya and Al Aksha Maha Vidyalaya respectively.

5.	Mother Language Day Celebration and its Associated Programs	0.10	0.10	Physical Progress 100% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural Entertainment Program was successfully held and completed,concurrently to the Mother Language Day Celebration on 21st May 2025 at the Meerigama Sathsevana Centre.
6.	Programs in Divisional Secretariat Offices and District Secretariat Offices	0.23	0.03	Physical Progress 15% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payments of the Resource persons contributed for the programs organized by the Seethawaka Divisional Secretarit Office were done,and implemented concurrently to the Divisional Literary Festival. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paintings ,Sculptures and Wood Carving Program ➤ Songs related consultancy program ➤ Photography Program ➤ Drama Performing Program • Providing a resource persons allowances for six resource persons participated in the entertainment program organized by the kurunegala District Secretariat focused on Parents of Preschool Children

Capital Provisions				
1.	Holding of the workshops for the correct language usage, and for the creative writing art. 101-2-05-038-2201	2.70	0.17	Physical Progress 66% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correct language Usage program was successfully implemented in 06 districts such as Kegalle,Kalutara,Puttalama,Kurunegala, Anuradhapura and Ampara in accordance with receiving the informations,As well, a program of provision of documentation was implemented on behalf of the writers.
2.	Implementation of Projects and Programs established under the Arts Council of Sri Lanka 101-2-05-038-2201	2.70	0.88	Physical Progress 22% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Dance Panel National Art Resort at Kunadasale in Kandy (28 th & 29th June 2025) State Radio,Newspapers and Social Media Panel-National Art Centre-Kundasale-Kandy (18 th,19 th and 20 th July 2025) State Drama Panel-National Art Centre-Kundasale-Kandy (28 th,29th and 30th August 2025)
3.	Holding a discourse on modern readings of the ideologies of the world male and female writers,focusing on main Universities in	0.50	0.25	Physical Progress 40% <p>Three programs were successfully held for the students of the Universities on 31st July 2025 in the University of Sri Jayawardenapura,27 th August 2025 in the University of Colombo and 29th September</p>

	Sri Lanka.(101-2-05-038-2201)			2025 in the University of Colombo respectively.
4.	Premuditha Suyama 101-2-05-038-2201	0.40	0.18	Physical Progress 60% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Institute of Mental Health on 07 th August 2025 • Vidyawardana Maha Vidyalaya- Thalangama South on 22nd August 2025 • Sethsiripaya Premises on 03rd September 2025 • Divisional Secretariat Office on 12th September 2025

6.Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

Serial Number	Programs/Project	Estimat (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Holding of the workshops for the correct language usage, and for the creative writing art.	0.90
2.	Mobilization of Intangible Cultural Heritage	0.70
3.	Premuditha Suyama	0.08
4.	Implementation of programs for the Advisory Boards established under the Arts Council of Sri Lanka.	1.80

5	Holding a discourse on modern readings of the ideologies of the world male and female writers, focusing on main Universities in Sri Lanka.	0.20
6.	Three Ridma Musical Concert	1.00

7. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in year 2026

Serial No.	Project/Program	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Three Ridma-Evaluation Concert of Thudu Musicians	1.00
2.	Creative Educational Reform Project	4.00
3.	Implementation of the Projects and programs for the panels established under the Arts Council of Sri lanka	3.60
4.	Creative Citizen Cultural and Educational Program	2.40
5.	Public Service/Prisoner/Disabled person/Armed Forces/Hospitals/School term and Concert-Pramuditha Suyama Programs (School Sarathasa)	0.50
6.	Holding a discourse on modern readings of the ideologies of the world male and female writers,focusing on main Universities in Sri Lanka	0.50

National Film Corporation of Sri Lanka

1. Vision, Mission, Objectives and Main Functions

1.1 Vision

“To be the pioneer for the establishment of a qualitative cinema culture, which has the capacity to mark the local identity of Sri Lankan cinema in the international arena'

1.2 Mission

To establish an excellent cinema culture ensuring education, assistance and welfare required for the creation in the meantime providing a customer friendly and responsible service delivery to the satisfaction of the clients with the application of modern technologies.

1.3 Objectives

- Promotion of the audience
- Promotion of the income of the Corporation
- Providing sponsorship for the excellent creations .
- Development of the technical services of studios.
- Development of infrastructure facilities of cinema industry.
- Introduction of new technological approaches.
- Development of the human resource
- Promotion of cinema education.
- Conservation of movies.
- Encouraging the import of successful creations/ movies.
- Entering the field of international cinema
- Formalization of the distribution of movies.
- Formalization of the regulation.
- Enhancement of the welfare and appreciation cine artists.

1.4 Main Functions

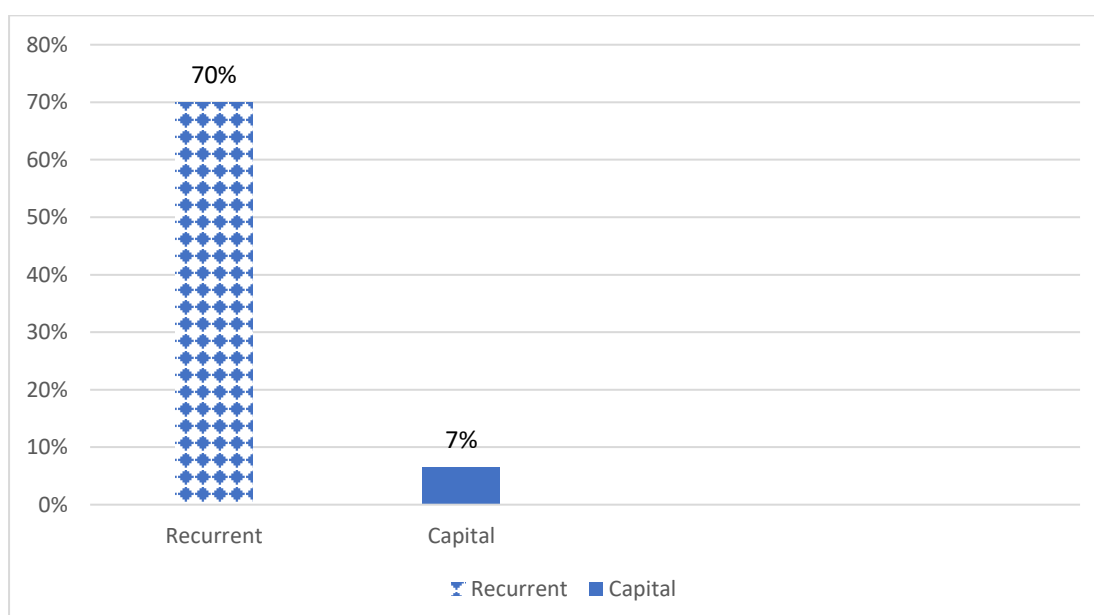
- Developing film industry following new technological methods
- Promotion of cinema education

- Enhancing taste of audience to establish qualitative cinema culture
- Welfare of the parties occupied in cinema industry
- Reorganizing film screening

2. Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent/ Capital)

	Program	Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
Recurrent	General Administration	125	88.36	70%
	Sub Total	125	88.36	70%
Capital	Capital Expenditure	60	3.94	7%
	Sub Total	60	3.94	7%
	Grand Total	185	92.30	50%

2.1. Financial progress percentage as at 30.09.2025



2.2 Revenue generation as at 30.09.2025

Description	Income as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)
<u>Income from operations</u>	
Income from distribution of films	56.35
Income from studio	6.35
Trade affairs	0.48
<u>Other income</u>	
Interest for deposits	45.61
224 Rental from buildings	4.10
Miscellaneous	10.98
Total	123.87
<u>Receipts from General Treasury</u>	82.50
Grand Total	206.37

3. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior level	15	05
Tertiary level	11	03
Secondary level	101	59
Primary level	59	27
Total	186	94

4. Progress of projects/programs as at 30.09.2025

- **Projects implemented with Treasury allocations**

Serial No	Programme	Allocation for 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Physical progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Making infrastructure facilities required by the head office for the enhancement of National Cinema School - Phase I	20.00	0.84	Department Building holds responsibility as the consultancy agency and action has been taken to call quotations for the purchase of equipment for the cinema school
2.	Modification of the services provided by the studios - Phase 01	40.00	3.10	Department of Building holds the responsibility as the consultancy agency and quotations have been called for the purchase of equipment required by the studio and they have been referred to the Technical Evaluation Committee after opening them.

- **Projects launched by the provisions of the Corporation**

- **Diploma on Cinamategrophy**

49 applicants have been enrolled for the diploma and they are now studying.

➤ **Commencement of the new Certificate course under Cinema School.**

Syllabuses have been prepared to commence 05 new certificate courses in year 2026.

➤ **Programs to enhance the taste on cinema**

Lectures, discussions and seminars are conducted to enhance the enthusiasm on cinema. For this purpose, university lecturers, veterans of the field of cinema serve as resource providers.

This programme is conducted screening local and foreign movies.

➤ **Programs conducted in year 2025 for the enhancement of enthusiasm on cinema**

Date	Venue
06.03.2025	Cultural Centers at Kotte, Madiwela, Maharagama
04.04.2025	Ediriweera Sarathchandra Vidyalaya, Colombo
03.06.2025	Corporate Chamber of Lawyers Association – screening the movie ‘Nidhanaya’ and discussion on the movie -Joe Abewickrama center, National Film Corporation
17.06.2025	Workshopm on the cinema conducted for the few selected schools in Colombo district- Joe Abewickrama center, National Film Corporation
04.07.2025	Kekirawa Madhya Vidyalaya
16.07.2025	Buddhist Balika Vidyalaya, Mount Lavinia
28.07.2025	Divisional Secretariat, Meerigama
20.08.2025	Divisional Secretariat, Mahara
27.08.2025	District Secretariat, Gampaha
28.08.2025	Yashodhara Devi Balika Vidyalaya, Gampaha
10 -11.09.2025	Divisional Secretariat, Kundasale
15.09.2025	Divisional Secretariat, Gonapinuwala, Galle
16.09.2025	Divisional Secretariat, Poddala

➤ **Cinema Publications**

The publication ‘*Wartha Chithrapata Wanshaya*’ of Mr. Namal Prasantha has been launched on 21.01.2025, Anniversary of Film Corporation as a publication of the Corporation.

➤ **‘Chithrapata’ magazine**

First issue of the Chithrapata magazine-2025 has been issued and articles have been collected for the second issue. The second issue is to be issued under the guidance of a new editor.

➤ **Dialogue on cinema**

Old Students Association of the Diploma on Cinematography Course and National Film Corporation organize monthly a dialogue on cinema as a joint effort.

- Screening the movie "BEASTS OF THE SOUTHERN WILD" 26.01.2025 and dialogue on the movie- Resource person- Mr. Vimukthi Jayasundara.
- Screening the movie “PRATIDWANDI” 23.02.2025 and the dialogue on the movie. Resource person- Mr. Tharindu Ramanayake.
- Screening the movie “A Hidden life” on 30.03.2025 and dialogue on the movie- Resource person- - Mr. Anuruddha Jayasingha.
- Screening the movie “ZAHRADA” on 27.04.2025 and dialogue on the movie
Resource person- Mr. Sunil Wijesiriwardana
- Screening the movie “A Separation” on 31.05.2025 and dialogue on the movie
Resource person- Mr. – Sameera Naotunna
- Screening the movie “Marriage Story “on 29.06.2025 and dialogue on the movie
Resource person- Mr. Benet Rathnayake.
- Screening the movie “Labor of Love” on 27.07.2025 and dialogue on the movie.
Resource person- Mr. Priyantha Fonseka.
- Screening the movie “THE Monk AND THE GUN” on 31.08.2025 and dialogue on the movie. Resource person- Mr. Sanjaya Nirmal.
- Arrangement are being planned to conduct a dialogue on cinema in September 2025 at Tharangani cinema hall under the sponsorship of National Film Corporation.

➤ **Conducting Programs on cinema study and film festivals**

- Screening of films on commemoration of David Linchn on 01.30.2025 and educational workshop on 31.01.2025
- A workshop on selling films in international market aimed at 40 participants has been conducted at Joe Abewickrama Center on 25.04.2025 with local film producers, director and old students of cinematography diploma course of Corporation and Mr.

Harindu Gunawardhana, pioneers and Chief Executive Officer of Rogue Element Limited (UK/US), which is a production and management company working for movies with higher and middle level budgets for U S A, United Kingdom and Europa Union

- Making contribution the programme ‘Deepa Mehta Masterclass on Film making with Your iPhone’.
- Masterclass in Cinematography workshop organized by the National Film Corporation for the old students of the Diploma on Cinematography.
 - Premises of Tharangani Cinema Hall on 18.07.2025 – Conducted by veteran Cameraman Mr. Kalinga Deshapriya.
- Providing consultancy services of Nation Film Corporation of Sri Lanka for the short film competition and festival organized by Jayasekara Management Centre (JMC). 25.08.2025-Resource provider-Mr. M. D. Mahindapala, veteran cameraman and Mr. Sarath Dharmasiri, veteran film director 2025.08.25
- 46 film halls are operated under Rithma Circuit as at 12.09.2025.
- Technical services and other facilities have been provided by the divisions such as film archive, sound studio, editing division, colour mixing and films and Rupavahini film studio of Sarasavi Studio, Dalugama for local film producers for the films at post production stage.
- Nearly 52 local films have been registered and nearly 127 letters have been issued for importation of foreign films
- Inspection at cinema halls has been conducted in order to minimize malpractices and information have been collected on lands and buildings for the constructions of new cinema halls. Wijaya Cinema, Minuwangoda, 04 cinema halls at JP Cine Complex, PCA Cine Max have been opened.
- Implementing the Corporation’s Trust for the benefit of film artists and technicians.

5. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in year 2026

Serial No.	Project / Programme	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1.	Development of Cinema school (Phase tow)	20.00
2.	Construction of post-production studio complex of Dalugama Sarasavi Studio (Phase two)	21.25
3.	Organizing an International Film Festival	5.00
4.	Conducting diploma course on cinematography	5.00
5.	Commencing new certificate courses for cinema school	6.00
6.	Conducting Programs for promotion of audience centering 10 districts.	1.20
7.	Organizing dialogues, discourses and seminars on cinema	1.20
8.	Strengthening the trust of Corporation for the benefit of artists and technicians of the field	12.04

Selacine Media Solutions (Pvt.) Ltd.

1. Introduction

With the commencement of television media in Sri Lanka, the Selacine institution was established on February 02, 1982, as a fully government-owned entity under the then Ministry of Policy and Plan Implementation, with the objective of producing programs necessary for television media to carry out government publicity activities.

It was designated as the sole government-owned "Advertising Agency" pursuant to the Gazette Extra-Ordinary Notification No. 1380/15 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, dated February 16, 2005.

With the expansion of its media mission, the Selacine institution moved beyond program production to encompass all directions of the advertising field. Currently, Selacine competes with private advertising agencies, covering the entire advertising sector, including: Printing, Event Management, Scheduling, Production of audio-visual programs/advertisements, Advertising activities via new media. Digital Marketing Accordingly, the institution's primary goal is to work towards transmitting the progressive developments and operations of the Sri Lankan state machinery's development programs to the general public through creative applications.

In the new millennium of communication and marketing, the Selacine institution has now become a communication agency that provides strong, widespread publicity for state programs to the general public in a new format. It is equipped with modern technical equipment and possesses capabilities in event management, commercial advertising, and marketing.

2. Vision, Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

2.1 Vision

To become the leader in the advertising sector by creatively communicating the developments and operations of the state machinery, and the promotions in all business sectors.

2.2 Mission

To actively contribute to the economic, social, and political development of Sri Lanka by providing excellent communication and other creative promotional services to public and

private institutions, using a highly creative and motivated skilled workforce, while strategically and creatively utilizing advanced technology.

2.3 Objectives

- Enhancing financial status.
- Increasing market profitability.
- Implementing strategies to enhance the client culture.
- Developing the organization's employees and leaders.

2.4. Key Functions

- Conducting publicity activities to inform the public about government development processes by operating as a Government Publicity Media Institution.
- Creating electronic/print media advertisements, presenting media plans for them, and scheduling those advertisements.
- Creating Event Management activities.
- Creating Sales Promotion programs and concepts.
- Conducting Media Research.
- Website design (Web site creation).
- Carrying out high-speed printing work.

3. Carder as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior	11	07
Tertiary	07	06
Secondary	23	12
Primary	04	08
Other	-	-
Total	45	33

4 Physical and Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025

4.1 Physical Progress

4.1.1 Publicity Activities

- Executing the Event Management for the Tourist Day celebration of the Tourism Development Authority in the year 2025.
- Constructing the exhibition stalls for the Event Management conducted by the National Innovation Agency.
- Carrying out the launch of the Jaya Sampatha (Lottery) for the Development Lotteries Board.
- Conducting the Awards Ceremony for the Industrial Development Board.

4.1.2 Market Promotion

- Working towards attracting new clients and providing proposals for new projects.
- Directing the Sales Division to pursue business opportunities under competitive pricing.

4.1.3 Human Resources Development – Training and Development Programs

- A program on File Management was conducted with the contribution of a Director Board member for Training and Development.
- Due to the institutional financial crisis, special training workshops were not conducted.

4.1.4 Actions Taken to Enhance Institutional Efficiency in 2025

- Implementing staff revisions to maintain the institution's cost management at a high level.
- Updating the institution's approved staff structure to match the nature of the business, in collaboration with the Department of Management Services, and submitting it for approval.

- Implementing various periodic revisions to develop the functions of the Sales and Debt Collection divisions.
- Submitting the new business plan to the Department of State Enterprises for approval.

4.1.5 Incorporation of the Institution

The Selacine Television Institute has been incorporated as a Private Limited Company named Selacine Media Solutions (PVT) LTD with effect from 20.06.2023, under the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007.

4.2 Financial Progress

4.2.1 Revenue Generation up to 30.09.2025

Programme	Annual Target (Number)	Physical Progress (Number)	%	Annual Income Target	Progress	%
Scheduling	800	469	59%	275	74.75	27%
Graphic Design	225	98	44%	90	14.49	16%
Production	25	19	76%	100	13.34	13%
Event Management	30	5	17%	105	8.92	9%
Social Human and	20	15	75%	30	1.03	3%
Total	1100	606	55%	600	112.5	19%

4.2.2 Summary of Income and Expenditure

Item	(Rs.Mn)
Turnover and Other Income	114.41
Total Expenditure	(137.96)
Profit (Loss)	(23.55)

Due to the economic downturn facing the country, the reduction in government publicity expenditure has directly impacted the institution's decline in revenue. As the Selacine institution does not own an institutional premise, it is compelled to operate the institution from a private building on a monthly rental basis.

5. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No	Programme	Annual Income Target
1.	Scheduling	35
2.	Graphic Design	30
3.	Production	16
4.	Event Management	73
5.	Social Human and Digital Marketing	8
	Total	162

6. Projects / Programs expected to be implemented in Year 2026

Serial No	Programme	Annual Income Target
1.	Scheduling	270
2.	Graphic Design	80
3.	Production	100
4.	Event Management	100
5.	Social Human and Digital Marketing	30

6.1 Special Programs expected to be implemented in Year 2026

- Registration for obtaining LMRB data.

This LMRB data package is essential for addressing the client's target audience during media planning, based on the classification and Rating of television, radio, and newspaper media.

- Working to obtain an additional discount percentage by increasing the scheduling (Media Scheduling) to maintain our media scheduling at a higher level.

Public Performances Board

1. Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Mission

Granting of classification certificates for films, dramas and performance shows and providing an efficient contribution for the development of arts and culture.

1.2 Objective

Encouraging arts and cultural performances for the public audience with the intention of building up responsible society and take action to aware general public on relative matters

1.3 Key Functions

- Regarding public performances that affect Sri Lankan society, the scope of local and foreign films, plays and all public performances is given.
- It will examine whether the aforementioned subjects are suitable for public exhibition under the Public Performances Act.

2. Sustainable Development Goals

The Public Performances Board approves or denies public screenings of films, plays, and shows and suggests necessary amendments.

The Public Performances Board fulfills a significant responsibility by considering and approving the following policies when approving or censoring works for public exhibition.

1. The existing law of the country should not be undermined.
2. Respect the customs and traditions of all nations and ethnicities.
3. The religious sentiments of all people should be respected.
4. Audience sympathy for crimes, wrongdoings, vices or sins should not be formed.
5. The sanctity of marriage should be recognized and immorality highlighted
Sexuality should not be presented.

In implementing the above-mentioned points, the Public Performances Board shall keep in mind the rights of the audience to enjoy the most important art in the world for human progression and whether the right to free expression is misused. Social responsibility is taken into account

first for such. The Public Performances Board has a policy of excluding items that are detrimental to society.

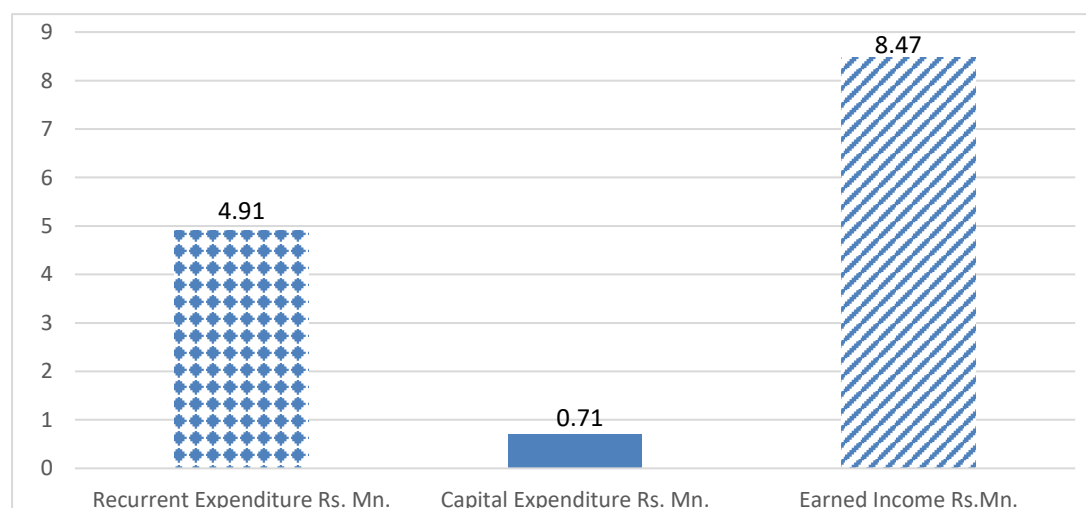
The Public Performances Board plays the role in charge of deciding whether a play, musical, or movie is appropriate for public display. The relevant audience can be subjected to suitable limitations and obligations in the process of making this decision.

The above laws and regulations shall be implemented according to the powers and functions assigned to the Public Performances Board. Motion picture is the most powerful medium in communication. It can have a strong impact on the movie audience. It can also be directed for the benefit of the people. In addition to considering the policies mentioned above, the Public Performances Board reserves the right to submit relevant matters or to amend them.

3. Provisions for the year 2025 and financial progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent & Capital)

Program	Provisions for the year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Expenditure as at 30.09.2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Financial progress (%)
Recurrent	9.00	4.91	55%
Capital	1.00	0.71	71%
Total	10.00	5.62	56%

3.1 Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025



4. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre as at 30.09.2025
Senior level	0	-
Tertiary level	01	Covering up duties
Secondary level	06	04
Primary level	04	01
Total	11	05

5. Institutional Progress as at 30.09.2025

Serial No.	Programme Implemented	Allocation for year 2025 (Rs.Mn.)	Details and Physical Progress as at 30.09.2025
1.	Film monitoring	-	<p>Total number of movies monitored - 180</p> <p>Sinhala - 34</p> <p>Tamil (Local) - 07</p> <p>Tamil (Foreign) - 64</p> <p>English - 51</p> <p>Hindi - 21</p> <p>Other - 03</p> <p>U Classification (Unrestricted Public Exhibition) - 171</p> <p>X Classification (Adults only) - 09</p> <p>A Classification (Best suited for adults) - 36</p> <p>Restricted - 0</p>

2.	Monitoring of DVDs	-	Total number of DVDs monitored - 23 Approved number - 23 U Classification (Unrestricted Public Exhibition) - 19 X Classification (Adults only) - 01 A Classification (Best suited for adults) - 03 Restricted - 0
3.	Monitoring of stage plays	-	Total number of stage plays monitored - 266 Sinhala Short - 78 Long - 91 Tamil Short - 03 Long - 02 English Short - 59 Long - 31 Other - 02 Adults only - 05 Restricted - 02
4.	Monitoring performances that are not in the categories of films or plays	-	Total number of performances monitored - 463 Local - 424 Foreign - 39

6. Projects/ Programs expected to be implemented in fourth quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project/Programme
01.	Granting approval for films, drama scripts and shows received by the institution on a daily basis.

7. Projects/Programs expected to be implemented in year 2026

Serial No.	Project/ Programme
1.	Obtaining parliamentary approval for the new Act of the Public Performances Board in collaboration with the Prime Minister's Secretariat, in line with the implementation of the Cabinet decisions regarding the recommendations of the review report on government-owned non-commercial institutions.

National Heritage Division

Sustainable Development Goals

Goal 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

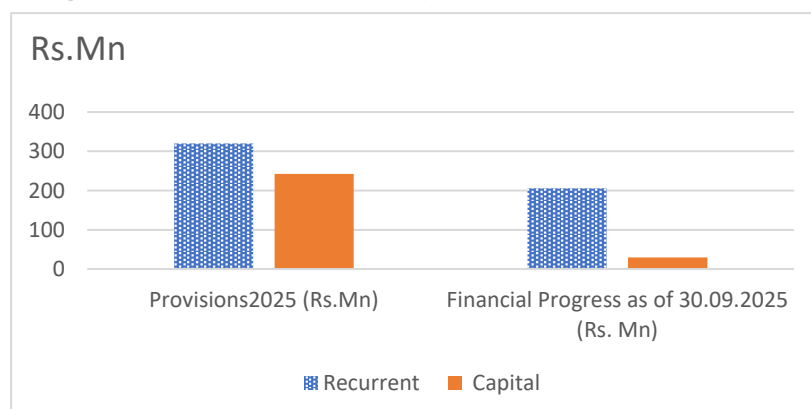
Target 11.4 – Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world’s cultural and natural heritage.

As a country enriched with both natural and cultural heritage, national-level contributions are made for the protection, promotion, and transmission of these natural and cultural heritages to future generations, while also taking action to strengthen such efforts at the international level.

02. Provisions allocated for the year 2025 and the progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Program	Provisions 2025 (Rs.Mn)	Quarterly Expenditure (Rs.Mn)			Quarterly Financial Progress (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	180.585	30.889	41.749	47.210	17%	23%	26%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	139.000	30.888	41.751	13.305	22%	30%	9.57%
	Sub Total	319.585	61.777	83.501	60.515	19%	26%	19%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	2.084	0.020	0	0.269	1%	0%	13%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	240.000	1.187	3.700	24.275	0.4%	1.54%	10%
	Sub Total	242.084	1.207	3.700	24.544	0.4%	1.5%	10%
	Grand Total	561.669	62.984	87.201	85.059	11%	15%	15%

Financial Progress (As at 30.09.2025)



03. Staff as at 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	07	05	02
Tertiary	03	01	02
Secondary	59	57	02
Primary	10	07	03
Total	79	70	09

04. Progress of Major Programs and Projects Implemented from 01.01.2025 to 30.09.2025 (Capital and Recurrent)

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Amount of Provisions Rs.Mn	Details and Physical Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)			Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	Introduction of digital technology for the promotion of national heritage. (101-2-05-044-2509)	1.5	Activities for promoting the national heritage video have been carried out in coordination with the Department of Railways (30%).			0.003			0.2%
02	‘Däye Urumaya Daruwant aai’ Cultural Camp Project (National Heritage and Cultural Camps) (101-2-05-044-2509)	2.6	Six “Däye Urumaya Daruwant aai” National Heritage and Cultural Camp programs are planned to be conducted in 2025 across six districts with student participation. Three programs have been successfully completed with the participation of 180 students from the six nearest schools affiliated with the following locations: Anuradhapura – Vessagiriya archaeological site, Galle – Galle Fort archaeological site, and Ratnapura – Maduwawala Walawwa archaeological site (75%)		0.304	0.658		11%	25%

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Amount of Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and Physical Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)			Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
03	Development of infrastructure in the indigenous villages of Vakare, Dalukana, Dambana, Rathugala, Pollebedda, and Henanigala (101-2-05-044-2509)	10.9	<p>*Renovation of the roof of the Variga Sabha building located within the Henanigala Public Heritage Centre premises. A sum of Rs. 3,675,000.00 has been released. (40%)</p> <p>*Sanitation facilities provided for 50 families in the Pollebedda indigenous village. A provision of Rs. 6,451,219.05 has been released. An agreement has been signed with the institution selected by the Divisional Secretariat through the procurement process. Toilet pits have been dug. (35%)</p>			2.250			20%
04	Renovation Related to Dambana Museum (101-2-05-044-2001)	8.6	<p>i. An allocation of Rs. 1,872,823.97 has been released for the Folk Heritage Museum for the entrance area, land preparation, roof renovation, and corridor arrangement. It has been handed over to the selected committee to carry out the works. (30%)</p> <p>ii. Installation of doors at the Folk Heritage Museum (100%)</p> <p>iii. Preparation of the central courtyard at the Folk Heritage Museum (100%)</p> <p>iv. Laying of floor carpets at the Folk Heritage Museum (100%)</p>	0.018	0.113	3.06	0.2%	1.3%	35%

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Amount of Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and Physical Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)			Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
05	Production of a Documentary Video on Indigenous People (101-2-05-044-2001)	0.9	Specifications are being prepared. (20%)	-	-	-	-	-	-
06	Implementation of Social Mobilization Program in Indigenous Villages (101-2-05-044-1409)	1.7	Through the Ampara District Secretariat, the Henanigala Concept Development Training Program and the Home Production Training Program have been conducted. (20%)	0.054	0.054	0.054	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%
07	Identification and Conservation of National Heritage (101-2-05-044-1409)	0.286	On 02 September 2025, a sub-committee meeting was held with the participation of 8 committee members.(20%)		0.005	0.008		1.7%	2.7%
08	Celebration of Indigenous Peoples' Day, Annual Dambana/Henanigala <i>Hakma Shanthikarma</i> ritual, and Bee Honey Offering Ceremony (101-2-05-044-1409)	3.014	<p>*For the Indigenous Peoples' Day celebration held on 09.08.2025, an expenditure of Rs. 898,875.52 was incurred as of 30.09.2025 (100%).</p> <p>*For the Bee Honey Offering Ceremony held on 04.08.2025, an expenditure of Rs. 84,500 was incurred (100%).</p> <p>*For the Dambana <i>Hakma Shanthikarma</i> held on 01 and 02.09.2025, an expenditure of Rs. 269,815 was incurred (100%).</p> <p>*The Henanigala <i>Hakma Shanthikarma</i> was not held.</p>			1.472			48%

- ❖ By 30.09.2025, the ‘*Daye Urumaya Daruwantai*’ National Heritage and Cultural Camps Program was implemented in 3 districts in the year 2025.



Archaeological site at wessagiriya, Anuradhapura District



Archaeological site at Maduwanwela, Ratnapura District



Archaeological site at Galle fort, Galle District

Under the Indigenous Peoples’ Day celebration, Dambana Annual *Hakma Shanthikarma*, and Bee Honey Offering Ceremony, an expenditure of Rs. 1.117 million has so far been recorded for the Indigenous Peoples’ Day celebration held on 09.08.2025; an expenditure of Rs. 0.269 million has been recorded for the Dambana Annual *Hakma Shanthikarma* held on 01 and 02.09.2025; and an expenditure of Rs. 0.084 million has been recorded for the Bee Honey Offering Ceremony held on 04.08.2025.



- ❖ 09.08.2025, in conjunction with the Indigenous Peoples’ Day celebration, the opening of the Dambana Folk Heritage Museum was presided over by Hon. President.



05. Projects / Programs expected to be implemented in the last quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project / Program expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs. mil)
01	No new projects	

06. Projects / Programs expected to be implemented in 2026

Serial No.	Project / Program expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs. mil)
01	Indigenous community conservation activities	9.0
02	Conducting the “Heritage for Children” and National Heritage and Cultural Camps	3.0
03	Development of basic infrastructure in Indigenous villages of Vakare, Dalukana, Dambana, Rathugala, Pollebadda, and Henanigala	9.0
04	Celebration of Indigenous Peoples’ Day, conducting the Dambana/Henanigala Annual <i>Hakma Shanthikarma</i> , and the Bee Honey Offering Ceremony	5.0

Department of Archaeology

01. Future Vision, Mission, Objectives, and Key Functions of the Institution

1.1 Future Vision

To effectively manage the entire archaeological heritage and preserve it for future generations.

1.2 Mission

To function as Sri Lanka's apex institution and chief regulatory body for the management of its archaeological heritage.

1.3 Objectives

The Department of Archaeology has several objectives to achieve the above mission.

- i. Protection of the total archaeological heritage of Sri Lanka
- ii. Inventorization of the archaeological heritage of Sri Lanka
 - Sites monuments
 - Movable antiquities
- iii. Enhancement of public awareness of the archaeological heritage of Sri Lanka
- iv. Conservation and Maintenance of sites/monuments and movable antiquities
- v. Research.
- vi. Development of resources
 - Human
 - Institutional

1.4 Key Functions

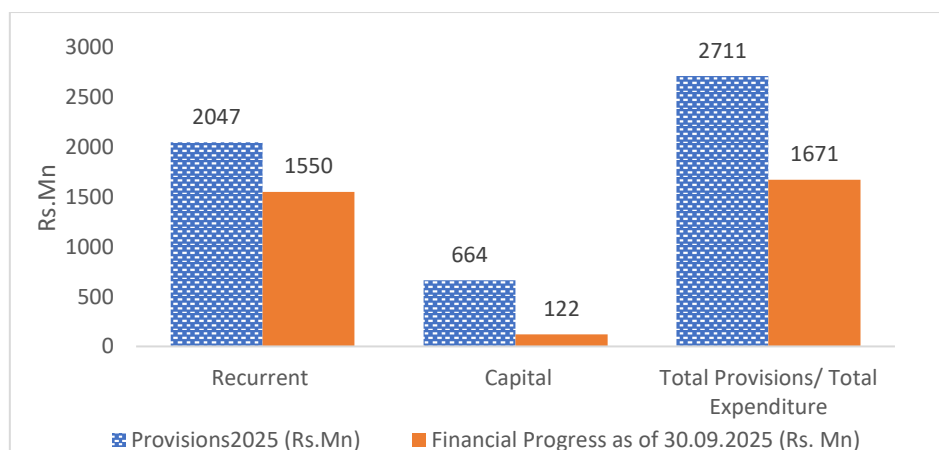
- i. Identification of Sri Lanka's Archaeological Heritage
- ii. Documentation of Archaeological Sites and properties, both movable and immovable
- iii. Conservation of archaeological heritage utilizing archaeological methods, maintenance of archaeological sites, and enhancement of infrastructure
- iv. Implementation of the Antiquities Ordinance
- v. Implementation of the Cultural Property Act
- vi. Presentation of archaeological sites and monuments to the public
- vii. Conducting impact assessment surveys to evaluate damage to Archaeological Sites during development projects

1.5 Sustainable Development Goals

Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the country's cultural and natural heritage

02. Provisions allocated for the year 2025 and financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Program	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Quarterly Expenditure (Rs. million)			Quarterly Financial Progress (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	341.00	78.66	89.02	88.09	23%	26%	26%
	Archeological Services	1,706.00	557.18	438.85	297.71	33%	26%	17%
	Sub Total	2,047.00	635.84	527.87	385.80	31%	26%	19%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	27.80	4.28	5.00	2.10	17%	20%	8%
	Archeological Services	636.98	18.70	46.69	45.00	3%	7%	7%
	Sub Total	664.78	22.98	51.69	47.10	3%	8%	7%
	Grand Total	2,711.78	658.82	579.56	432.90	24%	21%	16%



03. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	54	11	43
Tertiary	56	30	26
Secondary	775	566	217
Primary	3,423	2,132	1,291
Total	4,308	2,739	1,577

04. Progress of major programs and projects implemented from 01 January to 30 September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and Physical Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. million)	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)
1	207-02-02-05-2509 Rajagalatenna Archaeological Site Conservation Project	20.000	50%	0.247	1%
2	207-02-02-08-2509 Exploration, Excavation, and Research of Archaeological Sites and Monuments	10.000	66%	3.615	36%
3	207-02-02-09-2509 Conservation and Maintenance of Archaeological Sites and Monuments	254.000	52%	38.253	15%
4	207-02-02-10-2509 Promotion and Public Display of Archaeological Sites and Monuments	45.000	64%	0.801	2%
5	207-02-02-12-2509 Ritigala Archaeological Site Conservation	1.500	-	-	-
6	207-02-02-15-2509 Maintenance of Kinniya Hot Water Wells	1.500	40%	0.365	24%
7	207-02-02-09-2509-13 Kandy Royal Palace Conservation (Remaining Amount)	7.937		6.021	76%
8	Local Allocations for Archaeological Activities 207-02-02-16-2509-100 Conservation and Maintenance	199.650	25%	55.776	28%
9	207-02-02-16-2509-101 Exploration, Excavation, and Research Activities	4.397	65%	1.013	23%
10	Rehabilitation and Improvement of Capital Assets 207-02-02-2001 Buildings and Constructions	80.000	22%	2.790	3%
	Total	623.984	45%	108.881	17%

Under the Development Program for the year 2025, several of the 566 proposed projects to be implemented jointly by the Academic Division of the Head Office and the Regional Archaeological Offices, and the physical progress of some projects is shown below through photographs.

Conservation and Maintenance



Conservation works of Anuradhapura *Dakunu Dagaba*



Confirmation of the Ancient Canal Path in Anuradhapura
Ranmasu Uyana

Conservation of the Ancient
Tampita Vihara at Walwela,
Matale



Conservation of the Protective Wall
Surrounding the Dagoba at
Mewalapathaha, Matale

Completion of Remaining
Works at Deegawapiya
Official Quarters

Conservation of Murals at Telwatta
Rajamaha Viharaya



Maintenance of the Pattini Devalaya at Mapaaella,
Lunugala, Badulla

Post-Conservation Status of the Konpola Tampita Vihara

Site Inspection and Field Activities



Survey of the Extent of Divulapelassa
Divisional Secretariat Division –
Badulla



Documentation of Archaeological
Sites and Monuments in the Thalawa
Divisional Secretariat Division –
Anuradhapura



Exploration of *Balapitiya
Walawwa*

Heritage Promotion and Public Exhibitions



Conducting Lectures on Archaeological
Heritage for School Students – Galle



Administration and Upkeep of the Kandy Museum

Supervision of Archaeological Activities



Conservation of the *Deegawapiya Sthupa*



Supervision of the Conservation of the *Neelagiriya Sthupa*

05. Projects/Programs Planned for Implementation in the Final Quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Projects/Programs Planned for Implementation	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
	The projects are scheduled for implementation from May to December 2025	

06. New Projects/Programs Planned for Implementation in 2026

Serial No.	Projects/Programs Planned for Implementation	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1	207-02-02-05-2509 Project for the Conservation of Archaeological Sites at Rajagalathenna 1. Maintenance and Upkeep of the Archaeological Sites at Rajagalathenna	2.750
2	207-02-02-08-2509 Survey, Excavation, and Research of Archaeological Sites and Monuments 1. Implementation of 46 Provincial-Level Survey, Excavation, Epigraphic, and Numismatic Research Projects	12.600
3	207-02-02-09-2509 Conservation and Maintenance of Archaeological Sites and Monuments. 1. Conservation of archaeological sites and monuments that are damaged and require urgent intervention, architecturally, and implementation of 36 architectural conservation projects and chemical conservation projects (murals, statues, and archaeological artifacts), including the printing of 2 scholarly volumes. 2. Maintenance of archaeological sites and monuments of high significance that are at a damaging level, ensuring the protection of archaeological sites and monuments by placing boundary markers, maintaining and managing archaeological sites at the provincial level, and including the installation of notice boards, under which 68 maintenance projects will be implemented.	169.011
4	207-02-02-10-2509 Promotion of Archaeological Sites and Monuments and Public Exhibitions 1. Museum exhibitions, promotion, and management activities at 28 museums – number of projects: 23. 2. Implementation of 11 projects under heritage promotion and scholarly promotion programs.	34.200
5	207-02-02-12-2509 Conservation of Ritigala Archaeological Sites	-
6	207-02-02-15-2509 Maintenance of Hot Water Wells at Kinniya	3.250

Serial No.	Projects/Programs Planned for Implementation	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
	Local Grants for Archaeological Activities	
7	207-02-02-16-2509-100 Conservation and maintainace	100.000
8	207-02-02-16-2509-101 Survey, Excavation, and Research Activities	5.000
	Total	326.811
	Rehabilitation and Development of Capital Assets	
9	207-02-02-2001 Buildings and Constructions – 13 Projects Identified at the Provincial Level	28.083
	Grand Total	354.894

Tower Hall Theatre Foundation

1.1 Vision

To become the leading institution in South Asia in fostering a high-quality culture in theatrical and performing arts, including drama.

1.2 Mission

Contributing to the creation and promotion of a quality drama and performing arts culture in Sri Lanka by providing the necessary knowledge, infrastructure, and opportunities for innovation, aims to foster new experiences, technology, and knowledge in modern global drama and performing arts while encouraging and motivating artists to engage in creativity for the development of the country and the benefit of humanity.

1.3 Objectives

- To contribute to the creation and promotion of a high-quality drama and performing arts culture.
- To establish the century-old Tower Theatre as the national landmark of Sri Lankan drama and performing arts, and to elevate the century-old Elphinstone Theatre to international standards.
- To contribute to making Sri Lanka an important hub globally, establishment of a full-fledged drama and theatre school that provides full-time theoretical and practical skills necessary for the promotion of the subject of drama and theatre, becoming the center of knowledge in the national
- To provide creative support for establishing a nationwide network of modernized theatres that meet contemporary requirements, enabling audiences both in the capital and elsewhere to enjoy an equally enriching theatrical experience.
- To provide essential infrastructure for the production and exhibition of high-quality plays by outstanding theatre artists and producers.
- To safeguard and preserve for future generations the artefacts, costumes, equipment, books, magazines, information, souvenirs, records, tapes, electronic media, and the intangible heritage of Sri Lanka's traditional folk drama that require conservation.
- To appreciate and preserve past songs, nurthi, theatre, and gramophone productions by re-recording these pieces using modern technology, uploading them to the Tower YouTube channel, and organizing performances across the country for public enjoyment

- To establish medical insurance schemes for senior creative artists who have made significant contributions to enhancing the drama and performing arts sector, ensuring their well-being in old age through financial support, incentives, and care services.
- As the Sri Lankan representative of the International Theatre Institute, maintaining international relations with the institution and other countries, encouraging our creative professionals to exchange new trends in theatre and performance, share technical knowledge and experiences, and engage in research.
- To establish a National Drama Library, National Drama Museum, National Drama Conservatory, and National Drama Centre, equipped with the qualifications to conduct training, research, and knowledge dissemination, serving as a hub for drama and performing arts creators.
- To use drama and performing arts as a tool to promote harmony among all segments of the community and contribute to the development of Sri Lankan human resources, fostering wisdom.

1.4 Key Functions

- To encourage and promote national dance activities.
- To develop and enhance the knowledge, understanding, and practice of theatre.
- To provide for the welfare of drama and performing arts artists and to support the training of drama professionals.
- To engage in the production, research, and exhibition of drama, dance, and music.
- To restore, protect, maintain, and utilize the Tower Hall Theatre as a national monument, and for any other purposes the Board may consider appropriate in achieving the above objectives.

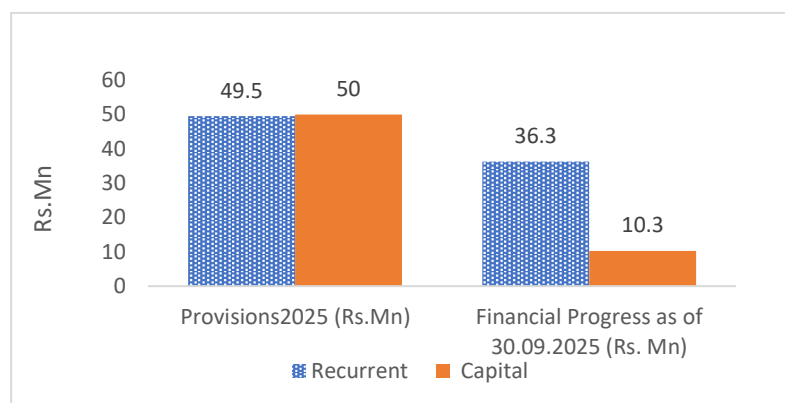
1.5 Sustainable Development Goals

1. Ensuring a healthy life and ensuring well-being for all at every age.
2. Ensuring complete and equitable quality education for all and promoting lifelong learning opportunities.
3. Strengthening procedures and new agreements through which global cooperation for sustainable development can be implemented.
4. Reducing inequalities within and among countries.
5. Strengthening procedures and new agreements through which global cooperation can be implemented.
6. Ensuring accessible, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all.

02. Provisions allocated for the year 2025 and progress as of 30.09.2025 (recurrent and capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions Rs. Mn.	Expenditure on a quarterly basis (Rs. Mn.)			Financial progress on a quarterly basis (%) (Q1+Q2+Q3)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	49.5	12.48	11.90	11.92	25.2%	49.25%	73.33%
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Subtotal	49.5	12.48	11.90	11.92	25.2%	49.25%	73.33%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	50	-	-	10.3	-	-	20.6%
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Subtotal	50	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Grand Total	69.86	12.48	11.90	22.22	17.86%	17%	31.80%

Financial Progress (As at 30.09.2025)



03. Cadre as of 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	8	5	3
Tertiary	11	11	-
Secondary	33	21	12
Primary	42	25	17
Total	94	62	32

04. Progress of major programs and projects implemented from 01 January 2025 to 30 September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and physical progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn.)			Financial progress as of 30.09.2025(%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	Installation of a solar panel system for theaters (Elphinstone Theatre, Tower Theatre, and Rukmani Devi Theatre)	34.14	30%	-	-	1.198	-	-	3.5%
02	Repair of acoustic panels at Tower Theatre	2.5	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
03	Laying carpet on the aisle for audience and front section of the stage at Tower Theatre	0.7	40%	-	-	-	-	-	-
04	Repairing the rain gutters of Tower Theatre	0.5	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
05	Laying carpet in the lobby area of Elphinstone Theatre	0.7	40%	-	-	-	-	-	-
06	Repairing the upper ceiling of the stage at Elphinstone Theatre	2	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
07	Procurement and installation of an essential electric generator for Rukmani Devi Theatre Upgrading the stage lighting system at Rukmani Devi Theatre	8	30%	-	-	0.178	-	-	2.25%
08	Upgrading the stage lighting system at Rukmani Devi Theatre	1.46	30%	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total (Rs.Mn.)	50				1.376			

Apekshawa Stage Drama Festival' Tower Drama Festival, 2025

From 11 February to 20 February, a period of 10 days, the festival was held focusing on the Maradana Tower Theatre and Elphinstone Theatres. For this, a total of 34 plays were staged, including 14 full-length plays, 12 short plays, and 8 children's plays.



World Theatre Day Celebration

- World Theatre Day was celebrated on 27 March at Elphinstone Theatre under the patronage of the Hon. Minister of the Ministry of Buddhist Affairs, Religious and Cultural Activities.
- The event was attended by over 600 participants, including veteran theatre artists, artisans, university lecturers, school teachers, and school students.
- Students from Tamil and Sinhala medium drama and performing arts schools based in Jaffna and Colombo presented 'Do or Die' and other dance segments

Tower Artist Appreciation and Presentation of Gifts and Awards

- The Tower Artist Appreciation and Presentation of Gifts and Awards, which is granted only once in a lifetime, was held in February 2025 in parallel with the Tower Drama Festival under the patronage of the Hon. Prime Minister, the Chairperson of the Tower Hall Foundation
- Twenty distinguished artists were recognized at this event, and each of them was awarded a cash gift of Rs. 30,000/- along with a certificate of appreciation. From 11.02.2025 to 20.02.2025, two artists were recognized each day in parallel with the Tower Drama Festival. On the opening day of the festival, the Hon. Prime Minister presented the award to veteran artist Mr. Wijeratne Warakagoda, while on the other days, the presentation of gifts and awards was carried out by the Hon. Deputy

Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs Mr. Gamagedara Disanayaka, the Rev. Father Cyril Gamini Fernando, senior officials of the Ministry of Cultural Affairs, and veteran artists.



Soorya Mangalyaya 2025 – New Year Gift Presentation and Artists’ New Year Celebration 2025

The ‘Tower Artists Bak Maha Festival,’ organized for the first time by the Tower Hall Theatre Foundation under the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, was held throughout the day on 08 April 2025 at the premises of the Elphinston Theatre, Maradana. The event was attended by the Hon. Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, Dr. Hiniduma Sunil Senevi; the Hon. Deputy Minister, Mr. Gamagedara Disanayaka; the Secretary to the Ministry, Mr. W. P. Senadheera; the Additional Secretary (Administration) of the National Heritage Division, Mrs. S. G. Palliyaguruge; Tower artists; sponsors; students of the Tower Drama and Performing Arts School; the Director General of the Tower Hall Theatre Foundation, Dr. D. M. S. Disanayaka; and the entire staff, along with a large gathering.



Holding of the *Tower Prabhashwara* Concert

- The first concert for the year 2025 was held on 30 April 2025 at Pallegama Central College in the Matale District, with the sponsorship of the Moragahakanda Zone of the Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka.

- The second concert was held at the Nuwara Eliya Town Hall, the third concert at the North Western Provincial Council Auditorium, and the fourth concert at the main hall of Ananda College Chilaw.



Holding of Buddhist devotional song (Bhakthi Gee) recital

- A concert was held in the premises of the Colombo Municipal Council for the *Buddhabhivandana* Vesak Zone in celebration of the Vesak Festival.
- A Buddhist devotional song recital was held on a specially prepared stage at Gangaramaya, Beira Lake, for the '*Buddha Rashmi*' Vesak Zone
- A Buddhist devotional song recital was held for the Raigampura Poson Zone in celebration of the Poson Festival.



05. Projects/Programmes expected to be implemented during the final quarter of the year 2025

Serial No.	Project/Program expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs. Mn.)
1	Installation of a solar panel system for theatres (Elphinstone Theatre, Tower Theatre, and Rukmani Devi Theatre)	34.14
2	Repair of acoustic panels at Tower Theatre	2.5
3	Laying carpet (padded) on the aisle for the audience and on the front section of the stage at Tower Theatre	0.7
4	Repairing the rain gutters of Tower Theatre	0.5
5	Laying carpet (padded) in the lobby area of Elphinstone Theatre	0.7
6	Repairing the upper ceiling of the stage at Elphinstone Theatre	2
7	Procurement and installation of an essential electric generator for Rukmani Devi Theatre Upgrading the stage lighting system at Rukmani Devi Theatre	8
8	Upgrading the stage lighting system at Rukmani Devi Theatre	1.46
	Total (Rs. Mn)	50

06. New projects/programmes expected to be implemented in the year 2026

Serial No.	New projects/programmes expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn.)
1	Painting of Elphinstone Theatre	9
2	Installation of a new central air conditioning system for Tower Theatre	10.3
3	Construction of a generator room at Rukmani Devi Theatre	3.8
4	Renovation of the rehearsal hall at Rukmani Devi Theatre	1.9
5	Construction of handrails at Tower Theatre	0.5
6	Essential repairs at Rukmani Devi Theatre	5
7	Renovation of cafeterias at Tower and Elphinstone Theatres	2.5
8	Purchase of laptop computers for the Tamil and Sinhala School of Drama and Performing Arts (Computer Laboratory)	9.9
9	Purchase of a photocopy machine	2
10	Purchase of a projector machine	1.5
11	Purchase of 10 tables and 30 chairs for the School of Drama and Performing Arts	1.2
12	Purchase of a server computer	1.5
13	Purchase of a new mixing console for the sound studio	3.2
14	Installation of a security camera system at the Tower and Rukmani Devi Theatres	2
15	Purchase of a video camera, lighting equipment, 2 tripods, and 2 clip-on microphones for maintaining the YouTube channel	0.8
16	Purchase of computer equipment for digitalization	3.2
17	Development of a new website with online booking facilities	2.5
	Total (Rs. Mn)	60.8

Ape Gama Premises

01. Future Vision, Mission, Objectives, and Main Functions

1.1. Future Vision

Encouraging local and traditional artisans and artists across Sri Lanka

1.2. Mission

To become a commercially viable and socially responsible leading institution by providing the necessary facilities for local and traditional industrialists and artists to showcase their high-quality creations and transmit their technical expertise.

1.3. Objective

Increasing the income of the *Ape Gama* premises by enhancing consumer appeal through the provision of quality products to both local and foreign consumers and by offering education on local arts and crafts.

1.4. Major Functions

- Renting out the entire “*Ape Gama*” premises or individual sections separately
- Providing the visitors with the opportunity to experience the ancient village.
- Selling traditional local foods and beverages.
- Selling traditional handicraft products.
- Offering services that incorporate local cultural elements.
- Providing the visitors with the necessary facilities to enjoy the freshness of the environment
- Demonstrating Traditional Crafts.
- Providing educational services.

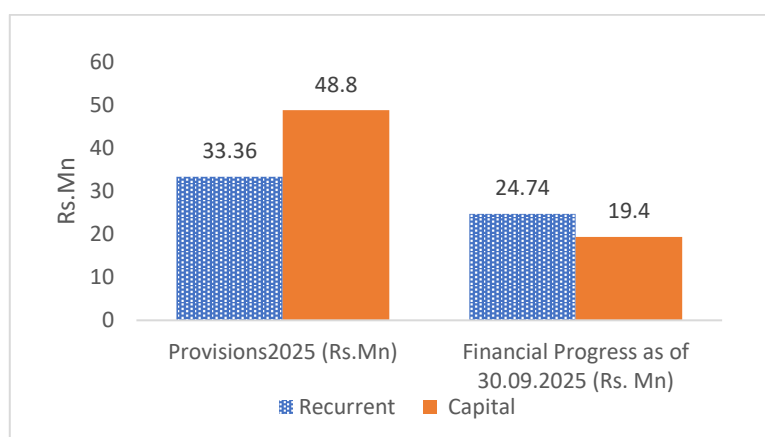
1.5. Sustainable Development Goals

Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

02. Allocations for the Year 2025 and Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions (Rs. Mill.)	Expenditure by Quarter (Rs. Million)			Financial Progress by Quarter (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	33.36	7.58	7.58	9.58	72%	71%	82%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	-	-	-	-			
	Sub Total	33.36	7.58	7.58	9.58			
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	25.3	-	3.9	19.4	-	92%	61%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	23.5	-	-	-		0	0
	Sub Total	48.8	-	3.9	19.4			
	Grand total	82.16	7.58	11.48	28.98			

Financial Progress (as at 30.09.2025)



03. Cadre as at 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	01	01	-
Tertiary	-	-	-
Secondary	10	03	07
Primary	-	-	-
Total	11	04	07

04. Progress of Major Programs and Projects Implemented from January 01 to September 30, 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Description and Physical Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Million)			Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	Renovation of the roof of the Mahawelawwa Hall (Office premises)	8.7	No	No	No.	6.4			76%
02	Renovation of existing village houses in the “Ape Gama” premises and installation of Cogon grass roofing	3.9	100%	No.	3.8	No.		97%	
03	Renovation of the sanitary system of the Mahawelawwa Hall in the “Ape Gama” premises	3.5	No.	No.	No.	2.6			74%



Renovation of existing village houses in the “Ape Gama” premises and installation of Cogon grass roofing

05. New Projects Expected to be Implemented in the Year 2025

Serial No.	Projects and Programs Expected to be Implemented	Estimated Cost (Rs. Mn)
01	Spreading sand and constructing stone barriers in the outdoor areas of the “Ape Gama” premises	0.5
02	Renovation of the electrical system of the theatre in the “Ape Gama” premises	1.9
03	Renovation of the electrical system of the vehicle park in the “Ape Gama” premises	0.5
04	Renovation of the roofs of the trade stalls in the “Ape Gama” premises	2

06. New projects expected to be implemented in the year 2026

Serial No.	Projects and Programmes Expected to be Implemented	Estimated Cost (Rs. Mn)
01	Repairing and upgrading the CCTV system at the “Ape Gama” premises	5
02	Upgrading the electrical lighting system in the ancient village section of the “Ape Gama” premises	4
03	Landscaping and beautification of the garden areas of the “Ape Gama” premises	1
04	Reconstructing the security fence at the “Ape Gama” premises	4.5
05	Renovation of the “Ape Gama” auditorium – Phase I	10
06	Renovation of trade stalls	10
07	Renovation of the “Maha Walawwa” hall at the “Ape Gama” premises	49
08	Purchasing necessary equipment to make the upper floor of the Lak Sala building operational	5

Gramodaya Folk Arts Centre

Future Vision, Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1. Future Vision

To preserve Sri Lanka's intangible heritage and traditional arts and crafts and to pass on that knowledge to future generations

1.2. Mission

To preserve traditional arts and crafts associated with Sri Lanka's intangible heritage, to pass on that knowledge to future generations, and to popularize traditional arts and craft techniques associated with Sri Lanka's intangible heritage throughout the world by building knowledge and an environment that nurtures the development of future artisans.

1.3 Objectives

- Identifying and conserving Sri Lanka's traditional and ancestral intangible heritage.
- Taking creative steps to pass down this heritage to future generations.
- Building the necessary knowledge and environment to nurture creative professionals in intangible heritage fields.
- Strengthening the foundation of intangible heritage and fostering pride among the artisans involved.
- Raising global awareness of Sri Lanka's intangible heritage.

1.4 Key Functions

- Implementing programs to preserve intangible cultural heritage.
- Contributing to the development of creative professionals required by the country.
- Offering National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ) Level 4, 5, and 6 courses in Performing Arts for aesthetic subjects.
- Increasing trainee enrollment by enhancing the institution's outreach.
- Fostering a young generation that values local fine arts.
- Encouraging the study of aesthetic subjects for the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level).

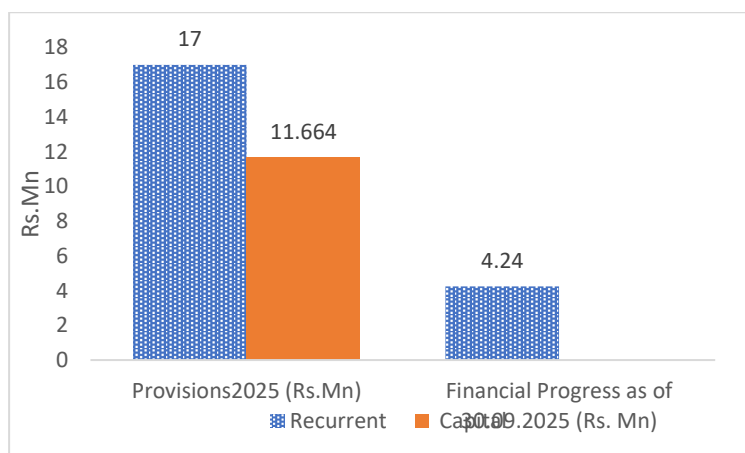
1.5 Sustainable Development Goals -

- I. Ensure quality education

02. Provisions Allocated for the Year 2025 and Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions Rs.Mn	Expenditure by Quarter (Rs.Mn)			Financial Progress by Quarter (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	17	1.545	1.38	1.31	27.3%	24.3 %	23.14 %
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub Total	17	1.55	1.38	1.31	27.3%	24.3%	23.14%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	11.664	-	-	-	0%	0%	0%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub Total	11.664	-	-	-	0%	0%	0%
	Grand Total		1.55	1.38	1.31	27.3%	24.3%	23.14%

Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025



03. Cadre as of 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Vacancies / (Surplus)
Senior	02	01	01
Tertiary	-	-	--
Secondary	15	08	07
Primary	05	02	03
Total	22	11	11

04. Progress of Major Programs and Projects Implemented from 01st January 2025 to 30th September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Provisions (Rs. Mn)	Description and Physical Progress as at 30.09.2025	Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Million)			Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	General Administration	17	100%	1.55	1.38	1.31	27.3%	24.3 %	23.14 %
02	Construction of a building for dance classes	6.4	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-
03	Renovation of the roof of the Gramodaya Folk Arts Centre office building	0.864	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
04	Painting of the office building	1.00	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
05	Renovation of washrooms and minor repairs and replacements of damaged items in H/1 Music Room	0.4	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
06	Repairing and wiring of the roof of H/1 Music Room	0.5	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-
07	Procurement of office equipment	2.5	100%						

05. Projects/Programs Expected to be Implemented in the Final Quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project/Program Expected to be Implemented	Estimated Cost (Rs. Million)
01	Carrying out activities related to the maintenance of general administration	17
02	Building renovation activities	9.164
03	Procurement of goods and equipment	2.5

06. New Projects/Programs Expected to be Implemented in 2026

Serial No.	Project/Programme Expected to be Implemented	Estimate (Rs. Million)
01	Payments (for security services, sanitation services, water and electricity bills, telephone and communication bills, official uniform allowances, and others such as removal of solid waste, service charges)	20.40
02	Course Development and Maintenance (Newspaper advertisements, student allowances, printing of student report books, examination fees, external resource provider fees, purchase of music, dance, and art materials)	3.346
03	Project/Program Expected to be Implemented <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of a building for dance classes • Renovation and painting of male/female hostels • Construction of a fence for the Folk Arts Centre • Renovation of the old store building 	17.40
Total		41.146

Galle Heritage Foundation

01. Future Vision, Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Future Vision

An outstanding living urban heritage site and a leading destination of cultural tourism in South Asia

1.2 Mission

To ensure the sustainable conservation of Galle Fort and its surrounding area as a more attractive cultural heritage tourism destination through a community-based heritage management approach, while preserving its outstanding universal value as a cultural world heritage site.

1.3 Objectives

1. To promote, conserve, protect, and develop Galle Fort and its historic hinterland as a heritage city centre and an archaeologically significant area.
2. To acquire, manage, maintain, and dispose of immovable or movable property within Galle Fort and its historical hinterland, subject to applicable provisions of the written law, provided such property holds historical, cultural, or aesthetic value.
3. To promote the interest of the residents of Galle Fort in conserving the houses, buildings and other properties situated within the Galle Fort and its historical setting and to conserve and protect the said Fort and its historical setting, to educate the residents of Galle Fort and its historical setting regarding the historical, cultural, archaeological and aesthetic aspects of the fort and its historical setting
Reconstructing, renovating and conserving the houses and buildings located within the fort and its historical setting, upgrading, restoring and finding new ways to use the houses and buildings therein.
4. Facilitating access to and sightseeing of Galle Fort and its historical hinterland.
5. To promote the general welfare of the residents within Galle Fort and its historic hinterland.
6. To perform all other acts or things necessary to achieve all or any of the above objectives.

1.4 Key Functions

1. Promoting tourism facilities within Galle Fort.
2. Maintaining Galle Fort in a clean, attractive, and orderly manner.
3. Working with the Galle Fort Planning Committee for the proper modification, management, and upgrading of new buildings and existing buildings within Galle Fort.

1.5 Sustainable Development Goals

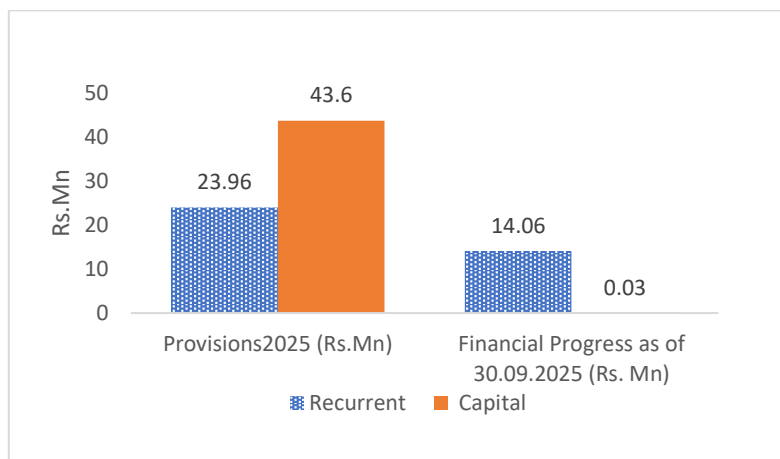
Reference to SDG 8.9 By 2030, devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products

Reference to SDG 11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage.

02. Allocations for the Year 2025 and Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Expenditure by Quarter (Rs. Million)			Financial Progress by Quarter (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	23.96	4.47	5.68	3.91	19%	42%	59%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub Total	23.96	4.47	5.68	3.91	19%	42%	59%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	43.60	0.01	-	0.02	0%	0%	0%
	Socio-Cultural Integration Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Sub Total	43.60	0.01	-	0.02	0%	0%	0%
	Grand Total	67.56	4.48	5.68	3.93	19%	42%	59%

Financial Progress (as at 30.09.2025)



03. Cadre as of 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	01	01	-
Tertiary	02	-	02
Secondary	10	14	-
Primary	06	03	03
Total	19	18	05

04. Progress of Major Programs and Projects Implemented from 01 January 2025 to 30 September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Program	2025 Provision s (Rs.Mn.)	Description and Physical Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Million)			Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	Construction of a high-standard toilet system for domestic and foreign tourists visiting Galle Fort	40	Note 01	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note – Tasks Completed to Date:

01. Measurement and demarcation of the land
02. Obtaining permission for land use from the Grama Niladhari
03. Securing the consent of the relevant parties
04. Obtaining preliminary approval for the plan
05. Obtaining archaeological approval
06. Securing the consent of the interested parties
07. Approval of bidding documents
08. Publication of the bidding documents in the relevant newspapers
09. Conducting the pre-bidding meeting

05. Projects/Programmes Expected to be Implemented in the Final Quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project/Programme Expected to be Implemented	Estimate (Rs. Mn)
01	No new projects	

06. Projects/Programmes Expected to be Implemented in 2026

Serial No.	Project/Programme Expected to be Implemented	Estimate (Rs. Mn)
01	Upgrading and maintaining the currently operating information center	3.00
02	Installation and maintenance of street lamps in Galle Fort in keeping with its heritage value	1.50
03	Installation of local interpretive art pieces in open spaces within Galle Fort and creation of a scientifically designed botanical heritage garden showcasing biodiversity	5.00
04	Scientific naming of ancient and other plants in Galle Fort and displaying them on panels	0.50
05	Enhancement of drinking water and sanitation facilities for tourists	2.00
06	Organizing promotional events about Galle heritage for tourists	1.00
07	Conducting surveys of people (especially local and foreign tourists) and physical resources to collect essential data and information for the purpose of promoting Galle Fort as a tourist destination and for informed decision-making in other development activities.	1.00
08	Maintaining the Galle Heritage Foundation website and other social media platforms at a high standard	1.00
09	Project for installing trilingual street name boards and information panels	1.00
10	Providing vocational training for conservation craftsmen (carpenters, masons, sculptors) and evaluating their performance	1.50
11	Implementing selected pedestrian streets in Galle Fort to minimize traffic congestion, noise, and environmental pollution; promoting environmentally friendly transportation methods such as bicycles, battery-powered vehicles, and rickshaws; and encouraging the use of historical transport methods that reflect the Fort's heritage.	3.00
12	Conducting a monthly lecture series on Galle heritage for the public and residents associated with the Fort.	0.50
13	Carefully monitoring regional development projects, coordinating with relevant institutions, and minimizing or eliminating potential damage to heritage values through archaeological and heritage impact assessments.	0.75
Total		21.75

Inter-Statutory Board for the Protection of Kandyan Heritage

01. Future Vision, Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Future Vision : Towards Prosperity while preserving heritage

1.2 Mission:

To contribute to sustainable development by identifying the social, economic and cultural heritage unique to the Kandyan heritage, contributing to its bequest to future generations, and planning activities to ensure that socio-economic benefits are obtained through the development of infrastructure facilities and utilization in a manner appropriate to the era.

1.3 Objectives:

1. Identifying, planning, coordinating, and implementing projects aimed at preserving and enhancing Kandyan heritage.
2. Preserving and enhancing historical sites
3. Enhancing rural reservoirs and irrigation systems that play a significant role in the traditional rural economy of upcountry regions.
4. Enhancing gold, silver, copper, brass and steel industries in traditional old villages and expanding market opportunities.
5. Conserving and promoting traditional industries.
6. Developing a traditional village.
7. Supporting the welfare of traditional artists, as well as the promotion and preservation of traditional arts and crafts.

1.4 Key Functions :

- Drafting the Kandyan Heritage Authority Act and getting it approved by Parliament.
- Formulating and implementing projects to protect the economic, social, and cultural heritage of the people of the Kandyan Heritage area
- Renovating historical sites and the development of traditional villages, renovating dilapidated temples, shrines, and kovils located upcountry.
- Preserving traditional Kandyan dances and folk arts.
- Developing gold, silver, copper, brass, and steel industries in traditional ancient villages and expanding market opportunities.
- Protecting the industrialists involved in the production of traditional Kandyan clothing, handicrafts, etc., and setting up the market.
- Protecting the techniques and products of the lacquer industry, furniture manufacturing, cane, reed, and jute products and strengthening the market for them.

1.5 Sustainable Development Goals:

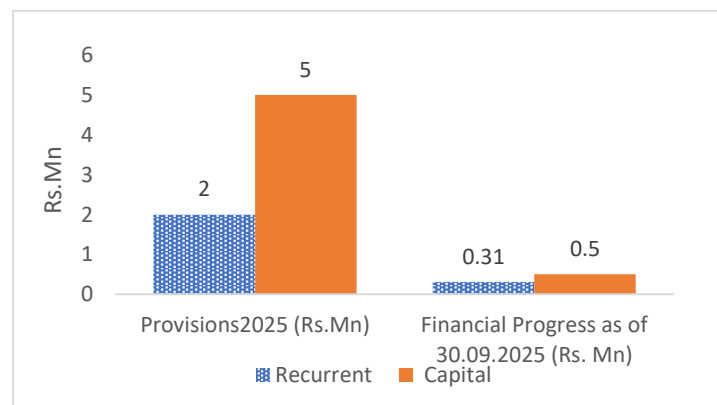
- End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

- End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.
- Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
- Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.
- Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.
- Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation.

02. Provisions allocated for the year 2025 and financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Programmes	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Expenditure by Quarter (Rs. Million)			Quarter-wise Financial Progress (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	2	0.05	0.17	0.09	2.5%	8.5%	4.5%
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities							
	Subtotal	2	0.05	0.17	0.09	2.5%	8.5%	4.5%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services							
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities	5	0	0	0.5	0%	0%	10%
	Subtotal	5	0	0	0.5	0%	0%	10%
	Total	7	0.05	0.17	0.59	0.71%	2.42%	8.42%

Financial Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Expenditure)



03. Cadre as of 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	04	00	04
Tertiary	-	-	-
Secondary	07	03	04
Primary	06	02	04
Total	17	05	12

04. Progress of major programs and projects implemented from 01 January 2025 to 30 September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Programme	2025 Allocated Provisions (Rs. Mn)	Details with Physical Progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn)			Financial Progress as at 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
01	Restoration of the roof of the Sanghawasa (monks' residence) at the Sri Veeraparakrama Narendrasinghe Rajamaha Vihara.	0.6	50						
02	Recording and preservation of the live performance of the <i>Kadawara Yak Kankariya</i> for future generations through videography	0.72	75			0.5			69%
03	Restoration of the Dharma Shala building at Kollagama, Holike, showcasing the prestigious up-country features of the ancient Rajamah Viharaya	0.5	50						

- ❖ Live performance of the *Kadawara Yak Kankariya* and its recording for preservation for future generations, which showcase pride of upcountry heritage.



- ❖ Restoration of the roof of the Sanghawasa (monks' residence) at the Sri Veeraparakrama Narendrasinghe Rajamahavihara.



- ❖ Renovation of the Dharmashala building of the Kollégama Ancient Rajamahavihara at Holike, highlighting the upcountry prestige.



05. Expected projects/programs to be implemented in the final quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Expected project/program to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn)
01	Renovation of the Sanghavasaya at Thalguna Rajamaha Viharaya.	0.8
02	Conservation of the historic Kohomba Devalaya located at Isipathanarama Viharaya, Ratthota, which showcases the proud Kandyan cultural features	0.4
03	Development of infrastructure to enhance the touristic business at Bomburu Ella , Uva Paranagama.	1.0
04	Minor export crop cultivation project at Nupe village, Siyambalanduwa Divisional Secretariat Division, to increase the economic well-being of the local community.	0.33
05	Renovation of the Dhamma Hall at Seluththararama Viharaya	0.65

Central Cultural Fund

01. Future Vision, Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Future Vision

To elevate Sri Lankan cultural heritage into a globally recognized wonder

1.2 Mission

Be the most distinguished Institution in Sri Lanka in the Management of Eastern cultural heritages through research, conservation, protection, development and promotion of Sri Lanka's cultural heritages and sustainable cultural and economic development.

1.3 Objectives

- Conducting all exploration, research, excavation and conservation activities
- Research, preservation, conservation and promotion of touched and untouched cultural heritages
- Creating a satisfied group of employees armored with Institutional human resource knowledge, attitudes and skills.
- Collection of data on the Institution, analyzing, distribution and improvement of exhibition centres and maintenance.
- Promoting Sri Lanka's cultural heritage by attracting tourists from both the east and the west while protecting our cultural values
- Increasing the revenue targets of the Institution by 30% during the coming 04 years and executing the services of the Institution more efficiently and with a high consumer satisfaction
- Socialization of identified cultural values and systems
- To support the multi-religious and reconciliation and the national unity of the country
- Building up International and Institutional cooperation in keeping with the national policies
- To modernize and offer multifaceted services from the institution in keeping with modern society

1.4 Key Functions

- To undertake and bear all expenditure for the development of Cultural monuments in the Cultural Triangle and monuments in other areas, which seem to be necessary to be developed for the well-being of the public, as determined by the Board.
- To bear all expenses of the Jetawana Dagoba project and other similar projects.
- To take action to promote religious affairs within Sri Lanka or in Foreign Countries.
- To provide assistance to enhance religion and to maintain religious places and their activities and observances.
- Presenting awards to veterans who have offered a yeoman service to the country in the fields of culture and religion.
- To provide aid to artists, writers, painters, musicians, sculptors and others who are engaged in promoting cultural activities.
- To provide aid to other cultural or religious activities which are determined by the Board as beneficial or virtuous to the civil society.

1.5 Sustainable Development Goals

SDG 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

- Under the Central Cultural Fund, several main projects have been implemented with attached museums, and these museums provide educational information and conduct monthly lectures for school students, university academics, archaeologists, researchers, and information seekers who visit to view the museums.
- Through the library in the Publications Division, all necessary facilities are provided for students, university academics, archaeologists, researchers, and information seekers to obtain the relevant educational information.
- By publishing newspaper advertisements, arrangements are made to enroll students at Bataleeya National Replica School for a two-year study period, providing them with theoretical and practical knowledge.
- Conducting educational exhibition booths upon requests from schools and other external institutions.
- Upon requests from universities, providing a six-month training on excavation and conservation activities for university students.

SDG 08 - Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

- Provide staff recruited to the Central Cultural Fund with promotions during their respective periods to enhance their job satisfaction.
- Carry out all necessary activities to ensure the job security of staff in accordance with the various circulars issued by the government.

SDG 09 - Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation.

- Develop all sanitary and infrastructure facilities and carry out daily maintenance activities to most effectively meet the needs and preferences of local and foreign tourists visiting tourist sites and to enhance tourist attraction.
- Provide facilities required to carry out office work, carving, and conservation activities using modern technology.

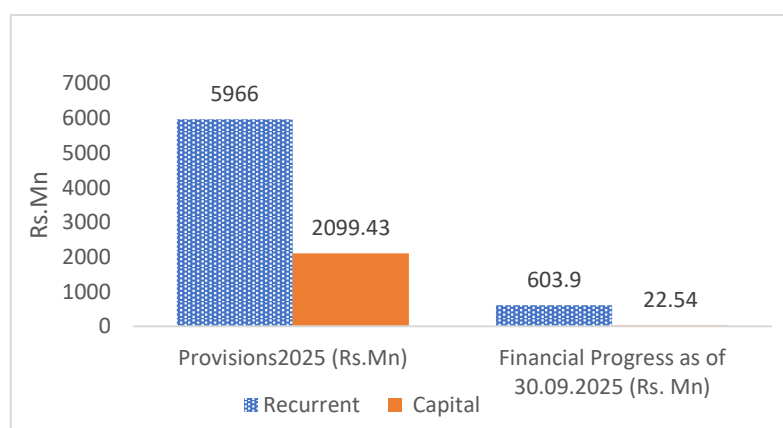
SDG 14 - Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

- Establish the Maritime Archaeology Unit, Laboratory, and Museum to conduct maritime archaeological excavations, explorations, and research activities in Sri Lanka on a scientific basis, and carry out necessary activities for the conservation of marine resources.

02. Provisions for the year 2025 and Progress as of 30.09.2025 (Recurrent and Capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Expenditure by Quarter (Rs.Mn)			Financial Progress by Quarter (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and Institutional Services	5,956.21	532.23	808.43	756.18	8.94%	13.57%	12.70%
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities	10.00	-	2.00	0.59	0.00%	19.96%	5.89%
	Subtotal	5,966.21	532.23	810.43	756.77	8.92%	13.58%	12.68%
Capital	Administrative and Institutional Services	603.90	0.64	6.26	15.64	0.11%	1.04%	2.59%
	Socio-Cultural Integrated Activities	-	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	Subtotal	603.90	0.64	6.26	15.64	0.11%	1.04%	2.59%
	Total	6,570.11	532.87	816.69	772.41	8.11%	12.43%	11.76%

Financial progress (as of 30.09.2025)



03. Staff as at 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Existing Cadre as of 30.09.2025	No. of vacancies as of 30.09.2025
Senior	17	3	14
Tertiary	46	16	30
Secondary	478	275	214
Primary	2468	1467	1049
Total	3009	1761	1307

04. Progress of major programs and projects implemented from 01 January 2025 to 30 September 2025

Se . N o.	Implementing program	Provisi ons in 2025 (Rs. Mn)	Details and Physical Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial Progress (Rs. Mn.) as of 30.09.2025			Financial Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
1	Abhayagiriya	217.91	75%	25.75	63.97	112.31	8%	22.3%	52%
2	Maha Viharaya	70.70	77%	6.88	19.03	36.27	10%	28%	51%
3	Jetavana	149.00	71%	13.72	37.06	67.40	8%	29.1%	45%
4	Namal Uyana	7.46	65%	0.52	1.56	3.16	8%	23.2%	42%
5	Ritigala	42.20	50%	0.11	3.06	15.51	0.3%	8.1%	37%
6	Polonnaruwa	320.99	52%	19.57	47.66	92.58	4%	9.3%	29%
7	Sigiriya	341.51	57%	19.43	42.92	86.92	3.4%	7.2%	25%
8	Dambulla	28.43	70%	2.69	7.08	15.27	9.8%	22.5%	54%
9	Ibban Katuwa	25.30	44%	0.54	2.52	3.83	3%	10.9%	15%
10	Kandy	54.63	60%	4.18	8.9	15.54	12%	9.3%	28%
11	Rambavihara	22.95	66%	1.98	8.07	14.63	7%	28.7%	64%
12	Tissamaharama	32.06	51%	1.79	4.9	11.60	6%	11.7%	36%
13	Galle	146.23	32%	7.5	17.99	30.17	3%	6.9%	21%
14	Matara	23.60	43	1.19	2.71	7.13	4%	7.9%	30%
15	Yapahuwa	49.60	66	8.57	15.8	24.00	20%	31.9%	48%
16	Dambadeniya	38.38	65	4.09	9.53	14.94	7.36%	12.4%	39%
17	Panduwasnuwara	91.85	44	7.36	13.54	22.33	11%	11.4%	24%
18	Kurunegala	11.85	69	1.2	2.76	4.88	10%	10.3%	41%
19	Jaffna	42.33	59	2.48	5.68	11.43	5%	12.3%	27%
20	Trincomalee	47.68	47	2.01	4.98	9.69	4.1%	10.2%	20%
21	Monaragala	107.13	36	2.6	7.66	17.24	3%	4.5%	16%
22	Rathnapura	20.49	44	0.78	2.41	6.21	2%	9.6%	30%

Se . N o.	Implementing program	Provisi ons in 2025 (Rs. Mn)	Details and Physical Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025	Financial Progress (Rs. Mn.) as of 30.09.2025			Financial Progress (%) as of 30.09.2025		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
23	Batticaloa	5.23	6	0.35	0.35	0.35	1%	1%	1%
24	Ampara	6.61	73.6	2.34	4.33	4.33	26%	65.5%	65.5%



Nelum Pokuna Mahinda Rajapakse Theatre

01. Mission, Objectives and Key Functions

1.1 Mission

Making necessary arrangements to promote the Sri Lankan performing arts concept both nationally and internationally, providing essential support for the growth of the performing arts sector and its practitioners, and fostering international collaborations for the advancement of the performing arts sector

1.2 Objective

To provide facilities to performing arts creators and audiences to gain high-quality performing arts experiences, and to create the necessary background for this, in order to provide all necessary facilities for promoting Sri Lankan performing arts at national and international levels.

1.3 Key Functions

Main Stage: Music programmes, drama shows, graduation ceremonies, conferences, lectures, school programmes, annual events, reality programmes, dance performances, award ceremonies.

Open-air Stage: Music concerts.

Upper Loft Stage: Music programmes, drama shows, dance performances, award ceremonies.

Vehicular Garage: Commercial stalls, various exhibitions, music concerts, motor races.

Passenger Path: Various exhibitions.

Lotus Lounge Hall: Conferences, lectures, discussions, media briefings.

Also known as the “National Performing Arts Centre,” the Nelum Pokuna Theatre is the first international-standard theatre in South Asia, equipped with world-class facilities. While preserving this name, our main functions are: “to continue maintaining the above-mentioned facilities in this theatre in accordance with international standards” and “to assist organizers in conducting events/performances in accordance with international standards in a manner that does not cause damage to the theatre property.” These functions are carried out efficiently and systematically under the supervision of the Chief Executive Officer of the theatre, with the

Administrative and Event Operations Manager overseeing operations, and all maintenance activities being performed under the Maintenance Manager and Chief Engineer.

03. Approved staff and currently serving staff

Military Force	Approved cadre of the Ministry of Defense		The cadre submitted for the approval of the Ministry of Defence		Current number of serving cadre		Cadre Vacancies	
	Officer	Other posts	Officer	Other posts	Officer	Other posts	Officer	Other posts
Army	7	29	7	40	6	27	1	13
Navy	2	43	3	51	3	44	0	7
Air Force	1	15	1	15	1	14	0	1
Total	10	87	11	106	10	85	1	21

Military Force	Current Cadre				
	Senior Officer	Junior Officer	Commissioned Officer/ SNCO	NCO	Other posts
Army	5	1	9	15	3
Navy	3		17	26	1
Air Force		1	7	7	
Total	8	2	33	48	4

Military Force	Currently serving staff	
	Officer	Other posts
Army	6	27
Navy	3	44
Air Force	1	14
Total	10	85

06. New projects/programmes expected to be implemented in 2026

S.No.	Project	Estimated cost
1	Theatre operation-related activities	Rs.Mn. 211
2	Structural activities (metal and glass)	Rs.Mn 199
3	Building construction-related activities	Rs.Mn 23
4	Ancillary systems-related activities	Rs.Mn 24
5	New requirements	Rs.Mn 48
6	Software access requirements from OEMs	-
7	Technical training	Rs.Mn 15
Total		Rs.Mn. 520

a. The technical requirements listed below for the Nelum Pokuna Theatre have been requested by the Department of External Resources on 28th June 2024 to be carried out under the third technical cooperation with the assistance of the Government of China.

Serial No.	Project	Estimated Cost
1	Theatre Operation related works	Rs.Mn. 211
2	Structural works (Metal and Glass related)	Rs.Mn. 199
3	Building Construction related works	Rs.Mn. 23
4	Associated system related works	Rs.Mn. 24
5	New Requirements	Rs.Mn. 48
6	Software accessibility requirement from OEMs	-
7	Technical Training	Rs.Mn. 15
Total		Rs.Mn. 520

Ranmihithenna National Tele-Cinema Park

01. Future Vision, mission, objectives, and key functions

1.1 Future Vision

"A society nourished by the arts"

1.2 Mission

To pass on a people-centered, development-oriented culture enriched by all forms of art to future generations.

1.3 Objectives

1. To support the development of the television and film industry by providing local and international tele/ filmmakers with facilities such as galleries, scenic backgrounds, and accommodation.
2. To function as a place where local and foreign visitors can experience knowledge, entertainment, and practical exposure by visiting the National Tele-Cinema Park.
3. To promote any form of artistic production intended to showcase Sri Lankan art, culture, performing arts, cinema, television productions, commercial productions, and broadcast through television and social media.
4. To facilitate the production of cinema, drama, television, and commercial productions by local and international artists and producers using the resources provided by the institution.
5. To provide facilities that utilize existing institutional resources to share technology, technical knowledge, and expertise, with the aim of offering training and education related to artistic and commercial production activities.
6. To maintain and efficiently utilize the Park's resources to implement and safeguard the above objectives.

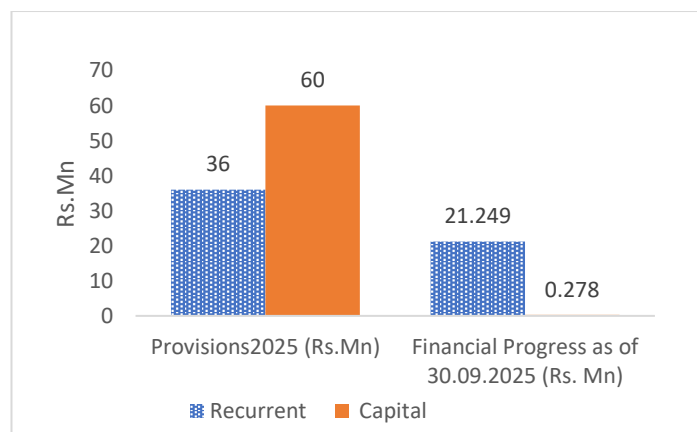
1.4 Key Functions

1. Revenue generation by providing scenic backgrounds, standardized accommodation facilities, and gallery facilities required for local and international television and film productions.
2. Revenue generation through the issuance of entry tickets for visitors and provision of golf cart facilities for internal tours.
3. Provision of hall facilities for lectures and conferences.
4. Revenue generation by providing scenic backgrounds for commercial productions, pre-wedding photography, and video shoots.

02. Provisions allocated for the year 2025 and progress as of 30.09.2025 (recurrent and capital)

	Programme	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Expenditure on a quarterly basis (Rs. Mn.)			Financial progress on a quarterly basis (%)		
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
Recurrent	Administrative and institutional services	6.0	0.444	0.748	0.942	7.4%	12.4%	15.7%
	Socio-cultural integrated activities	30.0	6.862	5.627	6.626	22.8%	18.7%	22.0%
	Subtotal	36.0	7.306	6.375	7.568	20%	18%	21%
Capital	Administrative and institutional services							
	Socio-cultural integrated activities	60.0	-	0.097	0.181	-	0.16%	1.9%
	Subtotal	60.0	-	0.097	0.181	-	0.16%	1.9%
	Total	96.0	7.306	6.472	7.749	7.6%	6.74%	8.07%

Financial progress (as of 30.09.2025)



03. Cadre as of 30.09.2025

Category of Posts	Approved Cadre	Cadre in Service as at 30.09.2025	Number of Vacancies as at 30.09.2025
Senior	03	00	03
Tertiary	01	00	01
Secondary	11	02	09
Primary	03	00	03
Total	18	02	16

04. Progress of major programs and projects implemented from 01 January 2025 to 30 September 2025

Serial No.	Implementing Programmes	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and physical progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn.)			Financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
1	Purchase of 23 new mattresses as the beds in the rooms are worn out.	0.87	20%						
2	Installation of new curtains for the villa rooms and the conference hall.	0.5	20%						
3	Purchase of sound amplification equipment for the conference hall.	0.13	10%						
4	Installation or repair of 5 air conditioning units for the villa rooms.	1.25	10%						
5	Provision of 10 electric fans for 10 villa rooms, 2 electric fans for the B-type room complex, and 2 electric fans for the C complex.	0.1	100%			0.97			97.86%
6	Installation of new electric lamps along the access path in the garden up to the gallery and the accommodation area.	3	20%						
7	Procurement of approximately 5 large wheeled garbage bins and approximately 50 small garbage bins for the rooms.	0.2	100%						90%
8	Complete renovation of the makeup rooms numbered 03 and 04.	35	10%						
9	Purchase of a water boiler.	1	20%						
10	Replacement of plastic doors around the dining hall.	3	5%						
11	Renovation of the Galle Market building.	5	5%						

Serial No.	Implementing Programmes	2025 Provisions (Rs.Mn)	Details and physical progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)	Financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (Rs. Mn.)			Financial progress as of 30.09.2025 (%)		
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
12	Creation, renovation, and development of infrastructure and backgrounds within the Ranmihithenna premises	9.95	10%						
	Total	60							

05. Projects/programmes expected to be implemented in the last quarter of 2025

Serial No.	Project/programme expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn)
01	Background creation, renovation, and development of infrastructure facilities in the Ranmihithenna premises	9.95

06. New projects / programmes expected to be implemented in 2026

Serial No.	Project/programme expected to be implemented	Estimate (Rs.Mn)
01	Urban background construction	4
02	Enhancing residential facilities in the Ranmihithenna premises	5
03	Removing the Hambu tree at Jambugasewa to improve visual appearance	0.3
04	Creating a CCTV camera system in and around the Ranmihithenna office premises	2.5
05	Renovating the dressing room in the urban background area of Ranmihithenna	5