



# **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**

## **2024 Progress Report**



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## **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**

### **01. Introduction**

The functions of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports are performed, centering the youth community and sports, in order to create an active generation by building an energetic youth community with a dignified balanced personality and a healthy and disciplined society in accordance with the National Policy Framework and the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. The name of the Ministry was amended from ‘Sports and Youth Affairs’ to ‘Youth Affairs and Sports’ by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2412/08-2024 dated November 25, 2024.

### **02. Vision**

‘A sustainable developed land through energetic youth’

### **03. Mission**

Contributing towards building a consolidated and prosperous country by creating a youth community that actively contributes to the national economy and establishing a disciplined society interested in sports.

### **04. Main Functions**

01. Formulate, implement, follow up and evaluate policies, strategies, programmes and projects related to youth affairs and sports as well as those concerning departments, statutory bodies and state corporations, in alignment with the national policies set by the government.
02. Providing public services under the purview of the Ministry in an efficient and public-friendly manner
03. Reforming all methods and procedures using modern management methods and technology to ensure the fulfillment of the role of the Ministry by eliminating waste and corruption
04. Establish a database system to collect information on unemployed youth, create a job bank to facilitate their placement and manage the entire process through an integrated online platform to systematically reduce unemployment.
05. Creating and implementing attitude development programmes focused on a national program that fulfills the aspirations of the youth
06. Implementation of skill development programmes focused on unemployed youth
07. Establish youth exchange programs to foster mutual understanding among different nations and religions.
08. Regulatory and development activities related to youth organizations
09. Formulating specialized programmes aiming the youth community to ensure their skills, talents and creativity are socially recognized, enabling them to develop their aspirations.
10. Introducing and implementing methodologies for taking measures to foster young entrepreneurs and facilitating them required encouragement and new opportunities.
11. Providing technical education with professional skill aiming youth community who have passed the Advance Level but have not gained admission to government universities.
12. Eliminate barriers for young freelancers who are already earning foreign exchange through online platforms.

13. Taking necessary steps to encourage sports activities in Sri Lanka
14. Promotion of the necessary infrastructure and providing incentives to achieve the expected goals in the field of sports
15. Promotion of sports education, training and research
16. Developing new strategies and implementing programs to build up Sri Lanka's image internationally through sports
17. Expanding opportunities for athletes to participate in international competitions
18. Promotion and coordination of facilities needed for the physical well-being of the general public
19. Promotion of sports medicine facilities and taking actions to combat doping in sports
20. Development and management of sports complexes
21. Organization of sports societies and promotion of sports tournaments
22. Implementation of specialized programmes at school and district level to identify sports persons who have special talents for sports and to provide relevant instruments for their economic level, nutrition and training.
23. Establishment of a modern sports school network for nine provinces centralizing a national sports training school.
24. Supervision of functions relevant to all other subjects assigned to the institutions under the ministry and those institutions.

## **05. Relevant institutional and legal framework**

### **Departments and Statutory Bodies under the Ministry**

01. Department of Sports Development
02. National Youth Services Council
03. National Youth Corps
04. National Center for Leadership Development
05. Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority
06. National Institute of Sports Science
07. Institute of Sports Medicine
08. Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency
09. Small Enterprises Development Division (This division has been transferred to the Ministry of Industry and Entrepreneurship Development from 25.11.2024 by the Extra Ordinary Gazette No. 2412/08-2024)

## **06. Laws and Ordinances to be implemented**

- Prevention of Offences relating to Sports Act (No. 24 of 2019)
- Sports Law (No. 25 of 1973)
- Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority Act (No. 17 of 1999)
- Convention against Doping in Sport Act (No. 33 of 2013)
- National Youth Services Act (No.69 of 1979)
- Youth Corps Act (No. 21 of 2002)
- Children and Young Persons Ordinance (No. 48 of 193

## 07. Human Resource Profile

Ministry staff as of 31.12.2024

|           | Approved Cardre | Existing Cadre | Vacancies (Excess) |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Senior    | 44              | 33             | 10                 |
| Tertiary  | 05              | 03             | 02                 |
| Secondary | 228             | 193            | 36                 |
| Primary   | 55              | 54             | 01                 |
| Total     | 332             | 283            | 49                 |

## 08. National Sports Fund

Paying a monthly nutritious allowance, offering prizes for international achievements, financing the sports clubs are performed by the National Sports Fund in terms of the provisions of the Sports Act No. 25 of 1973 with the objectives of encouraging the sportspersons in Sri Lanka, upgrading and developing sports and providing support and sponsorship for the said purposes. The provisions received from the Treasury and the National Lottery Board are the main sources for the National Sports. The objectives of the Sports Fund are as follows.

- i. Developing policies and follow-up procedures for allocating funds to projects through the National Sports Fund.
- ii. Effectively channeling Sports Fund resources for sportspersons for the advancement of sports.
- iii. Enhancing the Sports Fund through sponsorship from Sri Lanka Cricket and extending support to more sportspersons through the fund.
- iv. Rewarding medal winners with special gifts to inspire sportspersons.

## 09. Targets achieved by 31.12.2024

- I. Implementation of construction project of swimming pool complex at St. Anthony's College Wattala.
- II. Development project of lighting system in CR & FC stadium.
- III. Submission of observations and taking relevant fundamental measures for drafted agreements to establish MoUs among the countries such as China, Russia, Hungaria, Indonesia, Maldives, South Africa and Kazakhstan for obtaining international corporation for the sports development.
- IV. Taking relevant fundamental measures for conducting Presidential Sports Awards for the years 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023 and finalizing the selection of awardees.
- V. 20 National Selection Committees have been appointed from 01.01.2024 to until now in relation to National Sports Federations in terms of sports regulations.
- VI. 403 sports persons and 401 officers have made participated for international tournaments, seminars and trainings by national sports associations on 30.09.2024 after obtaining the approval of the Honourable Minister.
- VII. Providing sponsorship for conducting Football, Rugby, Chess and Table Tennis International Tournaments within Sri Lanka as fundamental measures of uplifting Sports Tourism.

- VIII. The drafting of the Sports Amendment Act, the Sports Authority Act and the Sports University Act is in its final stages.
- IX. Reentering into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Australia and Sri Lanka for 03 years in order to the advancement of sports field.

## **Youth Subject**

### **Achieved Targets and Special Achievements in the year 2024**

#### **01. Bachelor of Applied Information Technology Degree**

Training is being currently conducted for the first and second groups at several recognized centers. Details as follows.

Students of the First Group = 502

First year two semester examinations and second year first semester examination have been already conducted.

Students of the Second Group = 920

The first semester examination of the first year has been completed.

Third Group is to be recruited.



#### **02. National Youth Policy**

Fifty (50) Focus Group Discussions (FGDs), two per district, have been conducted with the aim of gathering essential data for drafting the National Youth Policy and information will be collected through a perception survey. The two consultants have completed the preparation of the concept note for this purpose.

It is anticipated that financial support will be obtained from UNFPA to fund the upcoming work on formulating the National Youth Policy.

Accordingly, the institution has agreed to review the prepared concept note and plan future activities.

## Human Resource Development 31.12.2024

| No | Date                     | Training Course                                              | Officer participated                                                                                                            | Institution of the course conducted |
|----|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 01 | 22.01.2024 to 23.01.2024 | Public Procurement Procedures                                | (01) Mr. P.J. Saman Pieris – Management Service Officer<br>(02) Ms. Iresha Umayangani – Development Officer                     | Skills Development Fund             |
| 02 | 09.05.2024 to 10.05.2024 | Capacity Building Training                                   | (01)(01) Mr. H.M.A. Kumarasinghe Assistant Secretary - Procurement<br>(02) Mr. I.U. Wickramasuriya Assistant Secretary – Admin  | SLIDA                               |
| 03 | 10.06.2024 - 14.06.2024  | General Conduct and Disciplinary Procedure in Public Service | Mrs. Aruni Abhayagunawardhana                                                                                                   | SLIDA                               |
| 04 | 20.06.2024               | Account System                                               | For 17 Development Officers Grade III (For Efficiency Bar Examination)                                                          | Within the Ministry                 |
| 05 | 22.06.2024               | Office Procedures                                            | For 24 Development Officers Grade III (For Efficiency Bar Examination)                                                          | ₨.10,000.00                         |
| 06 | 24.06.2024               | Account System                                               | For 16 Development Officers Grade III (For Efficiency Bar Examination)                                                          | - Free -                            |
| 07 | 25.06.2024               | IT                                                           | For 17 Development Officers Grade III (For Efficiency Bar Examination)                                                          | - Free -                            |
| 08 | 26.06.2024               | IT                                                           | For 14 Development Officers Grade III (For Efficiency Bar Examination)                                                          | - Free -                            |
| 08 | 10.07.2024               | Training Workshop on Procurement and Audit                   | (01) Mrs. S.A.D.P. Manorika, Chief Management Service Officer<br>02. Mr. P.J. Saman Pieris, MSO<br>03. Mrs. P.A.S.H. Jayasekara | - Free -                            |

|    |                         |                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |              |
|----|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
|    |                         |                                                                                                      | 04. Mrs. D.N.H. Wijesooriya<br>05. Mrs. I.U. Balasinghe<br>06. Mrs. D.S.E. Samarasekara<br>07. Mrs. L.P.K. Perera<br>08. Mrs. S.M.C.C. Perera<br>09. Mrs. U.P.S. Dilhani<br>11. Mrs. M.N. Madumali<br>11. Mrs. P.R.N. Harshani<br>12. Ms. S.M.A.J. Nadeeshani<br>13. Mr. K.W.M.C. Rathnayake |              |
| 09 | 08.08.2024 & 09.08.2024 | Duty training of office assistance service                                                           | 01. Mr. R.A.J. Chandrasiri<br>02. Mrs. K.J. Niroshani                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Rs.20,000.00 |
| 10 | 12.08.2024              | New Audit Act and resolution of audit issues                                                         | 01. Ms. S.M.A.J. Nadeeshani<br>02. Mrs. G.R.N. Harshani                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Rs.14,000.00 |
| 11 | 22.08.2024 & 23.08.2024 | Pension                                                                                              | 01. Mrs. W.P.D. Priyadarshani                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Rs.13,000.00 |
| 12 | 27.09.2024 & 28.09.2024 | Work shop on advance Excel                                                                           | 01. Mrs. S.E. Samarasekara<br>02. Mrs. M.N. Madumali                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Rs.33,000.00 |
| 13 | 30.10.2024              | Awareness programme for ministry officials on preventing allegations of bribery and corruption -2024 | For 150 officers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | -Free-       |

#### 10. Progress of Development Programmes as on 31.12.2024

| Name of the Programme                | Allocated Provision (Rs. Mn) | Expenditure Financial Progress as on 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Cumulative Physical Progress % |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| School Cricket Development Programme | 1500                         | 507                                                      | 65                             |

#### 11. Performance of Utilizing Allocated Provision as on 31.12.2024

| Description           | Allocated Provisions (Rs. Mn) | Cumulative Financial Progress as on 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) |       |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|
|                       |                               | Financial Progress                                      | %     |
| Recurrent Expenditure | 686.3                         | 489.5                                                   | 71.32 |
| Capital Expenditure   | 1534.2                        | 531.07                                                  | 34.61 |
| Total                 | 2220.5                        | 1020.57                                                 | 45.97 |

## **12. Achievements during the year 2024.**

- Securing the silver medal by Samitha Dulan in the Paralympic Tournament F44 Javelin Throw event held in Paris 2024.
- Securing Gold medal by Samitha Dulan with a world record F 44 javelin throw event at 2024 Paralympic Athletics World Championship in Kobe, Japan.
- Securing bronze medal by M.G. Nuwan Indika in 100 meters event at 2024 Paralympic Athletics World Championship in Kobe, Japan.
- Securing bronze medal by Palitha Bandara in shot put at 2024 Paralympic Athletics World Championship in Kobe, Japan.
- Securing gold medal by P.D.S. Dinesh Priyantha at Paralympic Table Tennis Tournament held in Jordan.
- Securing 02 gold medals and 05 silver medals at 2024 Grand Prix World Paralympic Tournament held in Morocco.
- Securing 02 gold medals, 01 silver medal and 01 bronze medal at Grand Prix Paralympic Athletics Tournament held in Dubai.
- Securing 02 silver medals and 02 bronze medals at 21<sup>st</sup> Asian Junior Athletics Tournament.
- Securing a silver medal and a bronze medal at Junior Grand Prix Athletics Tournament held in UAE.
- Securing a gold medal at Athletics Tournament held in Osaka, Japan in 2024 and a silver medal at Athletics Tournament held in Tokyo, Japan by S.K. Kalinga Kumaraage.
- Securing gold medal by men's relay team and silver medal by women's relay team at the First Asian Relay Championship.
- Securing a gold medal by S. Aruna Darshana in 400 meters event and 02 gold medals by Tharushi Karunarathna in 400 meters event and 800 meters event at Open Athletics Tournament held in Taiwan.
- Securing a gold medal by S. Aruna Darshana in 400 meters event at Chinese Athletics Championship.
- Securing a gold medal by S. Aruna Darshana and a silver medal by Kalinga Kumaraage in 400 meters event at 19<sup>th</sup> Spanish International Athletics Championship.
- Securing a gold medal and 02 bronze medals at 02<sup>nd</sup> Asian Javelin Throw Tournament held in Korea.
- Securing a gold medal by S. Aruna Darshana in 400 meters event at Athletics Championship held in Bahamas.
- Securing 02 silver medals and 02 bronze medals by women's team in 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Games held in Maldives.
- Securing 02 bronze medals by badminton player Hasitha Anuruddha and Viren Neththasinghe at 32<sup>nd</sup> Fajr International Tournament held in Iran.
- Securing 03 silver medals and a bronze medal at IFBB Asian Bodybuilding Championship.

- Securing 2024 Asian Championship by Sri Lanka Women's Cricket Team.
- Securing championship of test tournament with New Zealand by Sri Lanka Men's Cricket Team.
- Securing bronze medal by Nethmi Ahinsa at U 15 & U 20 Wrestling Tournament held in Thailand.
- Securing Runner's up by Women's Volleyball Team under 20.
- Securing gold medal by Nuwan Chamara Dharmawardana at International Judo Tournament held in Thailand.
- Securing 04 silver medals and 04 bronze medals by Sri Lankan Team at International Judo Tournament held in Thailand.
- Securing a bronze medal by K.A. Ashen Sachintha at 2024 Commonwealth (Junior, Senior, Young) Tournament held in Fiji.
- Securing 02 silver medals by women and men single team and 02 bronze medals by women and men double team who participated for the World Carrom Tournament.
- Securing Asian Netball Runners-up by Sri Lankan Team.
- Securing bronze medal by Pasindu Umayanga Mihiraj at the Thailand ASBC Boxing Asian Elite Men's Championship.
- Achievements at the International badminton Tournament held in Botswana.
- Securing a gold medal by badminton player Viren Weththasinghe, a bronze medal by badminton players Isuri Aththanayake and Sithumi Silva at Yonex Sunrise International Challenges 2024 held in Bangladesh.

#### **14. Expected major goals 2025 -2028**

- Reducing youth unemployment through an integrated approach
- Increasing the contribution of the sports economy towards the Gross Domestic Product
- Increasing the participation in international sports events by 25% and the number of Olympic and Commonwealth medals to 20
- Direct every citizen to involve in a physical activity or a sport for a healthy society
- Implementation of sports and youth development programmes with foreign countries through bilateral Memorandum of Understanding



# Department of Sports Development

## 2024 Progress Report



## **Department of Sports Development**

### **01. Introduction :**

The Department of Sports Development, originally established as a small unit in the 1960s, was subsequently placed under the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Sports, inaugurated in 1970. In 1996, it attained the status of an A-grade department.

At present, the Department of Sports Development, which is engaged in a never-ending mission of playing a pivotal role for Sri Lanka's sports under the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs, has been operated under the purview of various ministries dedicated to the realm of sports over the past few decades of its history.

### **02. Vision**

“Becoming a Pride Nation in Asia through the Development of Sports”

### **03. Mission**

Achieve national development through strategic operations focused on sports infrastructure, human resource development, fostering a sports culture, and producing healthy, disciplined athletes, thereby establishing Sri Lanka as a proud nation in Asia.

### **04. Objectives**

01. Development of physical fitness, effectiveness and satisfaction by providing opportunity to engage in sports for all levels in the society.
02. Acquiring achievements at national and international level through field of sports.
03. Fostering knowledgeable local coaches at international level who can carried sportsmen and sportswomen to international level.
04. Providing sports facilities for sports persons with international level standard.
05. Establishment of required policies and standards for the regulation of sports associations.

### **05. Main Functions**

#### **01. Human Resource Development**

- Providing a regular training for the sports persons.
- Formulating the necessary background to direct sports persons for the sports tournaments at local and international level.
- Providing foreign training for the sports coaches and sports officers.
- Providing training for Sri Lankan coaches through foreign coaches.
- Organizing workshops to introduce new technology for the sports officers.
- Conducting sports seminars for the sports officers and coaches by local and foreign sports experts.

## 02. Infrastructure Development

- Construction of sports complexes with international standard and maintaining sports complexes belongs to the department.
- Development and modernization of stadiums at national and district level in every province in Sri Lanka.
- Development of rural and school play grounds

## 06. Human Resource Profile :

|              | Approved Cadre | Existing Cadre | Vacancies  | Excess   |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------|----------|
| Senior       | 17             | 09             | 08         | -        |
| Tertiary     | 23             | 07             | 16         | -        |
| Secondary    | 254            | 176            | 78         | -        |
| Primary      | 101            | 79             | 22         | -        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>395</b>     | <b>271</b>     | <b>124</b> | <b>-</b> |

## 07. Progress of the Development Programmes

| No | Name of the Programme                                                         | Allocated Fund (Rs. Mn) | Revised Budget Estimate (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress % | Physical Progress % |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1  | 219-02-02-17-2001<br>Construction of Provincial and District Sports Complexes | 777.00                  | 777.00                           | 340.00                                       | 42.6                 | 94.3%               |
| 2  | 219-2-2-2104-31<br>Diyagama Mahinda Rajapakse National Sports Academy         | 100.00                  | 100.00                           | 0.00                                         | -                    | 0.3%                |
| 3  | 219-02-02-17-2104-66<br>St. Joseph Vaz College Sports Complex                 | 100.00                  | 100.00                           | 0.00                                         | -                    | 15%                 |

|   |                                                                                                                                  |        |        |         |       |      |
|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------|------|
| 4 | 219-02-02-17-2104-46<br>Bernard Aluvihare Sports Complex                                                                         | 60.00  | 60.00  | 0.13    | 0.21  | 75%  |
| 5 | 219-02-2-32-2104<br>Torrington Hockey Stadium                                                                                    | 57.70  | 57.70  | 57.70   | 100   | 100% |
| 6 | 219-02-02-(2001, 2002, 2003, 2102, 2103)<br>Development, improvement and reformation of capital assets/ acquiring capital assets | 42.00  | 42.00  | 32.43   | 77.21 | 50%  |
| 7 | 219- 02-2401<br>Capacity Building Programme                                                                                      | 1.00   | 1.00   | 0.18    | 18    | 25%  |
| 8 | 219-01-01<br>Others                                                                                                              | 20.00  | 20.00  | 3.20    | 16    | 25%  |
| 6 | <b>219 – 2 – 2 – 1409 - Talent Development Programmes</b>                                                                        |        |        |         |       |      |
|   | 219- 02- 02 – 1508 – 24 Facilitating international sports competitions for sportspersons                                         | 100.00 | 100.00 | 94.215  | 94.02 | 100% |
|   | 219- 02- 02 – 1508 – 25 Second stage player pool – Kreedha Shakthi                                                               | 100.00 | 100.00 | 68.797  | 68.79 | 90%  |
|   | 219- 02- 02 – 1508 – 26 International Sports Tournaments                                                                         | 345.00 | 365.00 | 346.95  | 95.12 | 100% |
|   | 219- 02- 02 – 1508 – 27 National Sports                                                                                          | 195.00 | 222.00 | 195.304 | 87.97 | 100% |

|  |                                                                                |        |        |        |       |     |
|--|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-----|
|  | Tournaments                                                                    |        |        |        |       |     |
|  | 219- 02- 02 – 1508 – 28 Providing facilities for a highly talented player pool | 100.00 | 52.30  | 51.452 | 98.37 | 90% |
|  | 219- 02- 02 –1203 – 27 Nutrition for national pools                            | 217.00 | 202.00 | 181.97 | 90%   | %   |

#### 08.Performance in Utilization of allocated provisions as on 31.12.2024

| Description           | Allocated Provisions (Rs. Mn) | Revised Budget Estimate | Financial progress as on 31.12.2024 |            |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
|                       |                               |                         | (Rs. Mn)                            | %          |
| Recurrent Expenditure | 1,624.541                     | 1,534.544               | 1486.045                            | 79%        |
| Capital Expenditure   | 1,157.696                     | 1,157.696               | 946.766                             | 95%        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>2,782.237</b>              | <b>2,692.240</b>        | <b>2,432.811</b>                    | <b>92%</b> |

#### 09.Special Achievements during the year 2024

- Securing silver medal by Samitha Dulan in F 44 javelin throw event of Paralympics held in 2024 in Paris, France.
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#### 2024 Sri Lanka Paralympics Team



#### 2024 Sri Lanka Olympic Team



**Nuwan Indika**



**Tharushi**



**Aruna Darshana**



**Chamara Nuwan  
Dharmawardana**



**Sri Lanka Women's Cricket Team**



**H.G. Palitha Bandara**



**Nethmi Ahinsa**



**Men's Relay Team**



**Sri Lanka Cricket Team's  
Victory in the New Zealand**



**Samitha Dulan**

#### **07. Goals Achieved as of 31.12.2024**

- Nethmi Ahimsa, who participated in the U19 and U20 Asian Wrestling Championships held in Thailand, won a bronze medal in wrestling, marking the first Asian-level medal ever won in the sport.
- Completion of work on both Matale and Torrington Hockey Stadiums to meet international standards.
- Athletes have won 15 gold medals, 26 silver medals, and 19 bronze medals so far, surpassing the expected number of international medals for 2024.

#### **08. Future Goals 2025-2028**

- Planning to host the South Asian Games in Sri Lanka in 2027, with the participation of largest number of qualified athletes in the Sri Lanka.
- Conducting 10 international tournaments in Sri Lanka in the year 2025 with the participation of national federations and associations.
- Initializing a programme to register fitness centers implemented in Sri Lanka under the Ministry of Sports for standardizing.



# **National Youth Services Council**

## **2024 Progress Report**



# **National Youth Services Council**

## **01. Introduction**

The National Youth Services Council was established in terms of the Parliament Act No. 69 of 1979. The National Youth Services Council is widely recognized as the primary government institution dedicated to advancing the youth community in Sri Lanka. Since its inception, this institution has made a significant contribution to achieving the goal of youth development in the country. Its main headquarters is located in Maharagama, and to bring services closer to the youth, 09 provincial offices, 26 district offices and 59 vocational training and farm centers have been established across the island.

Youth development projects and programmes relevant to current social, economic, political, cultural (art), sports and technological trends are implemented, considering the latest developments in these areas. There, projects and programmes are implemented in a manner that achieves Millennium Development and Standardized Goals, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). However, in the upcoming period, efforts will be focused on fulfilling the goals outlined in the government's policy statement, 'A Thriving Nation - A Beautiful Life,' and ensuring that Sri Lankan youth inherit the vision of 'Flourishing Youth - Inspiring Thinkers. For this purpose, youth development projects and programmes, services, institutional premises, as well as the knowledge, attitudes, and skills of service providers (officials) are being innovated.

In order to achieve these goals, functions such as engaging youth in modern agriculture, conducting training courses and workshops to empower youth as entrepreneurs capable of attracting new markets, implementing sports and aesthetic programs to showcase the potential of youth and enhance their skills, providing vocational training with up-to-date technical knowledge, targeting both local and foreign markets, initiating training programmes to enhance the capacities of both youth and officials, providing opportunities for youth to participate in international programmes and workshops to provide international experience and for officials to participate in exchanging international experience, implementing projects to expand the political awareness of youth, providing opportunities to strengthen youth's interpersonal relationships and network youth clubs across the island for this purpose, supporting voluntary social activities, fostering interpersonal and inter-institutional coordination, providing career guidance to select training courses and job opportunities based on career interests, providing essential guidance and counseling to address the psychological and social challenges faced by youth are being carried out. Accordingly, several programmes were implemented in 2024 to empower youth economically, socially, culturally, physically and mentally. Consequently, this report provides a summary of the activities conducted from January 1 to November 30, 2024.

## **02. Vision :-**

An Empowered Sri Lankan Youth

## **03. Mission :-**

To facilitate towards empowerment of Sri Lankan Youth to confront life challenges by mobilizing local and international opportunities.

## **05.Objectives :-**

1. To inculcate enthusiasm towards nationalism, a sense of discipline, an awareness on social and economic problems and a sense of dignity on labour among youths.
2. To enlist the participation of youth in national development schemes.
3. To promote collaboration and mutual understanding between youths of Sri Lanka and of other Countries.
4. To encourage a sense of competitiveness and achievement among youths.
5. To widen the knowledge of youth and to provide training in the fields relevant to development.
6. To encourage youths for cultural, literary and aesthetic activities.
7. To encourage youth for the development of physical fitness and sports.
8. To facilitate the provision of recreational activities and entertainment for youth.
9. To assist disabled youths.
10. To provide regular employment opportunities for youths by efficient investments on a long-term basis with the objective of strengthening the economic agenda of the government.
11. To provide opportunities for youth participation in policy formation and implementation.
12. To establish youth organizations and to assist the already established organizations in respect of youth welfare.
13. To design, coordinate, promote and direct youth extension services.
14. To develop the inherent characteristics of each individual youth.

## **05. Main Functions :-**

### **5.1 Youth Development**

- a. **1. Facilitating youth networking, cultivating a future-ready generation, and nurturing youth leadership development**
  - Coordinating and empowering young individuals while enhancing their leadership skills
  - Fostering the growth of the youth's skills in sports, culture, media, cinema, and economics.
  - Establishing international recognition for the youth of Sri Lanka
  - Executing national policies designed to focus on the development of the youth.
  - Striving to acquire international exposure by implementing in both local and foreign youth exchange programmes.
  - Providing opportunities for social integration for individuals with special needs by identifying and enhancing their unique talents.
  - Providing opportunities practically for the enrichment of theoretical knowledge, attitudes and skills in the field of community development.
  - Fostering the psychosocial development of the youth.

- Establishing the foundation for nurturing genuine activists and volunteer leaders through a wide spectrum of social work experiences.

## **5.2 Fostering the growth of vocational expertise and employability skills among young individuals**

- Implementation of programmes aimed for both domestic and international employment opportunities
- Offering vocational guidance to young individuals and instituting counseling services to promote mental growth of the youth.
- Developing courses in a way that generates employment opportunities in the public and private sector and foreign employment
- Administering end-of-course examinations and assessments, conferring certificates, and facilitating referrals for job training opportunities

## **5.3 Youth Business Development**

- Integrating modern technology, product development and marketing
- Development of Sri Lanka Youth Farm
- Mushroom and animal production programme
- Promotion of agricultural tourism
- Implementation of agricultural development programmes

## **5.4 Empowering Sri Lankan youth in a global context**

- Enthusiastic engagement of Sri Lankan youth in international youth conferences, summits, cultural programmes, and workshops
- Training of global youth leaders
- Creating avenues for youth to exchange experiences and knowledge in a global context
- Offering the chance to globalize the skills, knowledge, and attitude of the youth.

## **5.5 Organizational Development**

### **5.5.1 Internal Capacity Development**

- Offering training opportunities to enhance skills of the staff.
- Initiating programmes to keep the knowledge of officials up-to-date.
- Fostering a research-oriented culture that paves the way for the realization of youth aspirations.
- Strategic planning in alignment with the corporate vision.

### **5.5.2 Development and Promotion of Information Technology**

- Establishing a technologically advanced and empowered corporate environment.
- Optimize the utilization of current physical assets and drive revenue growth.

### 5.5.3 Infrastructure development

#### 5.5.4. Supplying, building, restoration, and enhancement of capital assets

- Enhancing and modernizing required infrastructure to improve the well-being of the institution's staff

#### 06. Human Resource Profile 31.12.2024

|              | <b>Approved Cadre</b> | <b>Existing Cadre</b> | <b>Vacancies</b> | <b>Excess</b> |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Senior       | 74                    | 49                    | 25               | -             |
| Tertiary     | 129                   | 63                    | 66               | -             |
| Secondary    | 1138                  | 903                   | 235              | -             |
| Primary      | 285                   | 206                   | 79               | -             |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1626</b>           | <b>1221</b>           | <b>405</b>       | <b>-</b>      |

#### 07. Targets achieved by 31.12.2024

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Programme</b>                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>Number of Programmes</b> | <b>Participation</b> |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 01.        | Youth Aesthetic Skills Development Programmes                                                                                                                                                    | 13                          | 6,707                |
| 02.        | Sports Skill Development Programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heiyanthuduwa (Volleyball and Kabaddi Pools)</li> <li>• Bicycle Race</li> </ul> Sports Gear and Equipment Set (212) | 05                          | 35<br>23<br>1300     |
| 03.        | Youth Organizations and Development Programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Youth Clubs (rural, divisional, district)</li> </ul>                                    | 11,732                      | 281,687              |
| 04.        | Examinations Evaluations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issuing certificates - 11,561</li> <li>• Skill based assessment - 380 (Trainees - 8,813)</li> </ul>                            | 02                          | 11,561               |

|     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |     |        |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|--------|
| 05. | Career Guidance and Counseling Programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career Guidance Programmes - 486</li> <li>• Counseling Service Programmes - 116</li> <li>• Music entertainment programmes - 05</li> </ul>                               | 607 | 45,679 |
| 06. | Youth Farm Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farm Centers<br/>Agricultural Field Assistant Course<br/>Plant Nursery Development<br/>Assistant<br/>Smart Agriculture Course</li> </ul>                                                   | 03  | 222    |
| 07. | Planning and Progress Review Programmes                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 03  | -      |
| 08. | Human Resource Capacity Development Programmes                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 11  | 946    |
| 09. | Information Technology Programmes (Enhancing Institutional Capacity Utilizing Information Technology)                                                                                                                                                      | 03  | -      |
| 10. | Social Marketing and Promotional Programmes (Promotion of Youth Development Programmes through Various Media) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Media Campaign Programmes - 305</li> <li>• Advertisements - 220</li> <li>• Theme Song 01</li> </ul> | 526 | -      |
| 11. | International Youth Outreach programmes                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 24  | 3,657  |
| 12. | International Gift Programmes                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 33  | 1,403  |
| 13. | Youth Parliament and its concurrent programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sessions - 01</li> <li>• Syllabus Development - 01</li> </ul>                                                                                                      | 02  | 190    |
| 14. | Job-oriented training courses                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 61  | 19,864 |

#### 08 . Progress of Development Programmes

| No           | Name of the Programme                      | Allocated Fund (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 30.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress % | Cumulative Physical Progress % |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 01           | Youth Development Programmes               |                         | 194-02-07-02-2201                            |                      |                                |
|              | i. Treasury Provisions                     | 1,450.00                | 426.089                                      | 34.52%               | 65%                            |
|              | ii. Provisions of Presidential Secretariat | 739.87                  | 278.82                                       | 37.68%               | 68%                            |
| <b>Total</b> |                                            | <b>2,189.87</b>         | <b>704.909</b>                               | <b>32.18 %</b>       |                                |

## 09. Performance of allocated provision utilization as of 31.12.2024

| Description             | Allocated Provisions (Rs.Mn)                       | Cumulative Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 |                                                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
|                         |                                                    | (Rs. Mn)                                       | %                                                |
| • Recurrent Expenditure | 1565                                               | 1333                                           | 85.28%                                           |
| • Capital Expenditure   | (Treasury) 1450.00                                 | 715                                            | 49.30%                                           |
|                         | 739.87<br>(Provisions of Presidential Secretariat) | 278.82                                         | 3Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports<br>_S7.68% |

## 10. Future Goals 2024-2027

**Creating a “Flourishing Youth -Inspiring Thinkers” towards achieving the government's policy statement 'A Thriving Nation - A Beautiful Life,**

The National Youth Services Council is innovating its youth development projects and programmes to effectively implement the government's youth policy, grounded in key principles such as empowering the country's youth to become active participants in the economic process, safeguarding youth community against exploitation, oppression and discrimination, contributing to the social development of youth, engaging youth in the science and technology sectors, developing individual personality to overcome social challenges, providing the necessary facilities and guidelines for political, social and economic processes as well as leadership development, creating space for cultural life and free thought, developing soft skills to cultivate national and international leadership, shaping the personality of youth to foster a society that rejects social injustice.

- Establishment of youth organizations and encouragement of voluntary service
- Fostering the physical and mental well-being of youth,
- Protecting youth from drug and alcohol abuse,
- Providing sexual education to youth,
- Cyberspace, Information Technology, Leadership Skill,
- Environmental awareness, gender equality,
- Providing education and technology, innovation, artistic and cultural enjoyment and entertainment, enhancing professional skill

- Adapt courses as necessary to cater to both domestic and international markets.
- Enhancing the quality of training courses.
- Expanding international language courses for foreign employment opportunities.
- Fostering young entrepreneurs by offering knowledge and resources.
- Guiding youth towards engagement in the agricultural economy and agri-entrepreneurship
- Collaborating with local and international youth organizations.
- Offering opportunities for youth engagement in the decision-making process.
- Continuing efforts to enhance productivity within the institution.





# **National Youth Corps**

## **2024 Progress Report**



## **National Youth Corps**

### **01. Introduction**

The National Youth Corps has initiated a well-defined and structured program aimed at fostering the country's economic growth by empowering the future workforce through youth development, job training, and vocational education, all rooted in the fundamental principles of discipline, leadership, and personality development. Numerous structured training courses have been executed with the primary objective of enhancing essential life skills.

The National Youth Corps, established through Act of Parliament No. 21 of 2002, presently operates an extensive network of 58 training centers throughout the island.

The life skills course comprises with a unique subject content, a wide range of programmes as well as streams for English and Information Technology. In a context where the pressing need for a specialized training program to enhance life skills among Sri Lankan youth is seriously evident, the National Youth Corps is fully committed to develop life skills as the foremost and sole government institution in Sri Lanka dedicated to life skills development.

Also, the hotel training school established in Inamaluwa area of Dambulla annually opens doors to numerous young individuals, offering them access to employment opportunities at both national and international levels with a National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) for recognized job positions in Tourism and Hotel industry of the country. Moreover, the Naula Adventure based Training Center which is considered as another specialized Training Center, provides practical training in personal leadership, personality development, and coping with challenges. These two distinct training centers can be considered as turning points for guiding the the National Youth Corps towards an income generation program. Additionally, the proposed Hotel Training School in Kataragama, currently undergoing improvements, can also be introduced as a center that will pave the way for the young community of Southern Sri Lanka for the future hotel industry.

Divulapitiya National Youth Corps Training Center has been transformed into a specialized sports training center. A range of aesthetic arts courses have already been introduced at the Yakkala Youth Corps Training Center, including singing, playing musical instruments, dancing, and acting. Notably, all these programs offer youngsters the opportunity to earn a National Vocational Qualification (NVQ).

The courses and programs conducted by the National Youth Corps can be identified as follows.

| No. | Training Courses                                                           | Other                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| a.  | Life Skills Training Course                                                | In addition to the Life Skills Certificate of National Youth Corps, Youth Cadets who successfully complete this course are also given the opportunity to obtain an internationally recognized Certificate offered by City & Guilds for Life Skills Training of National Youth Corps.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| b.  | Advanced Certificate Course in English Language and Information Technology | This training program is conducted in collaboration with an institute approved by the University Grants Commission.<br>This course is also considered as a foundation qualification to pursue further higher studies in the field of English and Information Technology.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| c.  | Referral for vocational training                                           | Cadets who successfully complete the life skills course will be referred for vocational training.<br><br>Through a special evaluation system, 1680 young cadets covering the entire island comprised of 30 young cadets from each group of a center, identified through a special evaluation system, will be awarded a full scholarship subject to a maximum of Rs. 100,000/-. The number of scholarships to be awarded annually is 3360.                                                                                                                                           |
| d.  | Hotel Training Course - Dambulla                                           | Following courses in the Hotel field are implemented under this and 01 groups are recruited annually for training under this programme.<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pastry and Bakery                      - NVQ Level IV</li> <li>- International Culinary                - NVQ Level IV</li> <li>- Food Serving                              - NVQ Level IV</li> <li>- Reception Division                   - NVQ Level IV</li> <li>- Housekeeping                           - NVQ Level III</li> <li>- Assistant Bungalow Caretaker   - NVQ Level III</li> </ul> |
| e.  | Other job oriented training courses                                        | The courses are selected and organized in response to local and foreign job market demand. In this year welding (4G) course was implemented in collaboration with CINEC institution.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| f.  | Graduate Course in Applied Information Technology                          | A three-year degree course is being conducted in affiliation with Sri Lanka Technical University (SLTC). 400 young individuals are enrolled in this program at present.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| g.  | Foreign Language Training                                                  | Certificate Course in Chinese Language (HSK Level - I)<br><br>Certificate Course in Japanese Language (JLPT Level - V)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

|    |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| h. | Dancing and Music Courses     | <p>Musician (Singer) - NVQ4<br/>Dancing &amp; Drumming - NVQ6</p> <p>These training courses are conducted in the Yakkala Training Center.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| i. | SWISS Hotel Management Course | <p>This course is conducted in collaboration with the Baur Institute and the National Youth Corps, by the government of Switzerland. The course is currently being implemented at 10 training centers and the number of trainees participated is 646. The course duration is 09 months, of which 04 months have been allocated for vocational training.</p> |

#### **a. Life Skills Leadership and Personality Development Programs (External Institutions)**

- For school students
- Providing life skills training to school students who are pursuing vocational training as part of the thirteen-year continuing education program.
- Life skills and leadership training programs for public and private sectors
- Life skills development program for the graduates of foreign employability courses
- Capacity development programs for teachers
- Capacity development programs for staff of other public and private institutions



#### **b. Social Development Programmes**

The National Youth Corps implements the following programs with the aim of expanding the range of experience and attitude development of the trainees.

- Y- Green Agriculture Program - A cultivation program at training center level and backyards of trainees.
- 'Senehe Piyasa' Housing Development Project - A program to build a house by the trainees for a low-income family to broaden the range of experience, develop attitudes and instill feelings of national service.
- 'Susumata Saviyak' Disaster Development Program - A program organized voluntarily to provide relief to the victims of natural or other calamities.

- 'Life to Life' Blood Donation Program - A program implemented with community participation as per the demand of the hospital sector.
- 'Satwa Mithru' program for helping helpless animals - a program to provide food and care for helpless and sick animals on the road or in public places such as stalls.
- Sipsaviya - A program that provides basic learning and essential equipment needed to enter school for poor school students admitting to the Grade One.



These social development programs are carried out with the goals of instilling positive attitudes, nurturing a sense of work pride, fostering patriotic sentiments, broadening the trainees' experiential horizons, cultivating healthy social relationships, and enhancing both human and social sensitivity among the young cadets.

### **c. Youth Development Programmes**

Within the subject framework included in the Life Skills Training Course, in addition to Module 09, young cadets are encouraged to develop practical skills, attitudes and with the self-direction necessary for discipline, leadership and personality development.

- **Sports Tournament** – Three (03) sports tournaments are organized at center, provincial and national level for the enhancement and development of the hidden sports talents of young cadets. Here, priority is given to team sports, especially volleyball, netball, archery and air rifle shooting.
- **National Reconciliation Youth Exchange Program** - A cultural exchange program to build friendship and brotherhood between nations.
- **Annual Cultural and Religious Day Programs** - Cultural and religious festivals specific to the Sinhalese, Tamil and Muslim communities are organized at the center level to foster an understanding and appreciation of national and religious diversity.
- **Presentation Skills Development Day** - Essential training and guidance are provided to help young cadets develop their presentation skills.
- **Art Festival** - Art festival is organized to showcase the talents of young cadets, providing them with an opportunity to display their singing, musical, and dancing abilities.

- **Drug Prevention Program** - This program aims to develop the skills to recognize and reject the negative consequences of drug use, while fostering anti-drug attitudes.
- **Career Key Test** - Young cadets are guided in choosing a career field that aligns with their educational qualifications, abilities and interests.
- **Inventions/Discoveries, Local Food Festival and Exhibition** - This program aims to inspire young cadets to innovate and discover new products while developing a clear understanding on local food patterns and their preparation
- **Celebrating International Youth Day** - Providing an understanding of the theme of International Youth Day and the role of youth.
- **Disaster Management Programs** - Developing the skills necessary to assist in national disaster situations.
- **Evaluation of skills in debating, essay writing and journalism** - This program evaluates the talents of young cadets who are talented in the relevant field..
- **Psychological counseling** - Identifying and assisting youth with mental and psychosocial issues in resolving their challenges.
- **Promoting the value of volunteering** – Encouraging for social development and service activities
- **Factory Visit** - This program aims to develop professional ethics and entrepreneurial attitudes among young cadets.
- **Y – Art programme** - Providing training to young cadets in fields such as painting, sculpture, and fronds art (*Gok-kalawa*), while offering them the opportunity to discover their hidden talents



## 02. Vision

“A proud and well-balanced Sri Lankan youth, equipped to thrive in the global society”

## 03. Mission

“To contribute to national development by empowering the target community through the optimal and sustainable provision of life skills, while serving as an internationally recognized leader in fostering social development and an innovative culture”

## 04. Objectives

- Life skills and personality development of youth
- Providing vocational education, vocational training and referral to employment opportunities.

## 05. Main Functions

### a. Human Resource Development

- Organizing and recruiting activities related to the recruitment of youth cadets/officers for the National Youth Corps Course.
- Proper planning and execution of the course.
- Providing life skills training for external parties.
- Contribute to the improvement of youth/youth's aesthetic and sports skills.
- Coordinating vocational training institutes to provide vocational education and training to young cadets completing the life skills course.
- Affiliation with a suitable institution to improve the quality of life skills course and English, computer courses.
- Providing language skills (Chinese, Japanese, Korean) to guide young cadets for foreign jobs and vocational training aimed at local and foreign jobs.

### Infrastructure Development

- a. Repair and maintenance of Buildings
- b. Increase the training capacity of the centers and reorganize the buildings suitable for effective vocational training.

## 06. Human Resource Profile

|              | <b>Approved Cadre</b> | <b>Existing Cadre</b> | <b>Vacancies</b> | <b>Excess</b> |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Senior       | 18                    | 14                    | 04               | -             |
| Tertiary     | 127                   | 77                    | 50               | -             |
| Secondary    | 716                   | 512                   | 204              | -             |
| Primary      | 89                    | 72                    | 17               | -             |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>950</b>            | <b>675</b>            | <b>275</b>       | <b>-</b>      |

## 07. Targets achieved by 31.12.2024

### a. Youth Training Programs

| Programmes                                                                                                            | Provisions allocated for 2024 (Revised) (Rs. Mn) | Annual Target |          | Progress Achieved (Physical) % | Physical Progress descriptively                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                       |                                                  | Group 1       | Group 11 |                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Life Skills Training Course                                                                                           | 96.71                                            | 4850          | 4900     | 100 %                          | The number of recruits in the first group - 3664<br>The number of recruits in the second group - 3823<br>The number of recruits in the third group - 1363<br>Special Life Skills Training Course (14 days) – 6101<br>Total - 14951 |
| Information Technology and English Certificate Course - Affiliated to Sri Lanka International Buddhist Academy (SIBA) | 56.00                                            | 3500          | 3500     | 100 %                          | Group I – IT – 3107<br>Group I – Eng – 2998<br>Group II – Eng – 2496<br>Group II – IT – 1276<br><b>Total – 9877</b>                                                                                                                |
| Adventure Based Training                                                                                              | 12.00                                            | 4850          | 4900     | 88 %                           | 8653 have completed the training.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |



➤ **Programmes under Life Skills Training Course**

| <b>Programmes</b>                                             | <b>Provisions allocated for 2024 (Rs. Mn)</b> | <b>Annual Target</b> | <b>Progress Achieved (Physical) %</b> | <b>Physical Progress descriptively</b> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Programme for the Prevention of Sexually Transmitted Diseases | 0.22                                          | Programmes 112       | 100 %                                 | 112 programmes have been completed.    |
| Programme for the Prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases     | 0.22                                          |                      | 100 %                                 |                                        |
| Drug Prevention Programmes                                    | 0.22                                          |                      | 100 %                                 | 112 programmes have been completed.    |
| Disaster Management Programmes                                | 0.22                                          |                      | 100 %                                 | 112 programmes have been completed.    |
| Psychological Counseling Programmes                           | 0.45                                          |                      | 100 %                                 | 112 programmes have been completed.    |
| Innovations and inventions                                    | 1.80                                          |                      | 100 %                                 | 112 programmes have been completed.    |
| Field Trips                                                   | 2.15                                          |                      | 99 %                                  | 111 programmes have been completed.    |

**b. Specialized Training Programs for External Participants**

| <b>Programmes</b>                                                                 | <b>Provisions allocated for 2024 (Rs. Mn)</b> | <b>Annual Target</b> | <b>Progress Achieved (Physical) %</b> | <b>Physical Progress descriptively</b>                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Capacity Development and Leadership Training Programmes for External Participants | 0.50                                          | 50,000 (Trainees)    | 100 %                                 | Training programmes have been conducted for 51,372 people. |
| Leadership Training Programmes for School Prefects                                | 1.50                                          | 50,000 (Trainees)    | 100 %                                 | Conducted workshops for 72,733 school prefects.            |



### c. Youth Development Programmes

| Programmes               |            | Provisions allocated for 2024 Revised (Rs. Mn) | Annual Target    | Progress Achieved (Physical) % | Physical Progress descriptively |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Reconciliation Programme |            | 2.13                                           | 2 (Programmes)   | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| Sports Festival          | Centers    | 0.70                                           | 112 (Programmes) | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
|                          | Provincial | 1.39                                           | 9 (Programmes)   | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
|                          | National   | 5.00                                           | 1 (Programmes)   | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| Arts Festival            | Centers    | 0.70                                           | 112 (Programmes) | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
|                          | Provincial | 4.50                                           | 9 (Programmes)   | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| Pourushabhimana          |            | 12.70                                          | 1 (Programmes)   | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| “Y – Art” Exhibition     |            | 3.55                                           | 100 (Trainees)   | 100 %                          | 152 participated                |
| Farewell Parade          |            | 10.10                                          | 112 (Programmes) | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| Vesak Festival           |            | 0.60                                           | 56 (Programmes)  | 100 %                          | Completed                       |
| Poson Festival           |            | 0.38                                           | 56 (Programmes)  | 100 %                          | Completed                       |



#### d. Vocational Training Programmes

| Programmes                                   | Provisions allocated for 2024 Revised (Rs. Mn) | Annual Target    | Progress Achieved (Physical) % | Physical Progress descriptively                                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Referrals for Professional Training          | 26.40                                          | 830 (Trainees)   | 100 %                          | 1313 have been referred for vocational training.                                                                                                                                   |
| Hotel Training School - Dambulla             | 50.15                                          | 500 (Trainees)   | 96 %                           | Reception Section - 27<br>Catering - 60<br>Professional Culinary 149<br>Pastry and Bakery - 74<br>Housekeeping - 89<br>Assistant Bungalow Keeper - 82<br>Total number - <b>481</b> |
| Other Job Oriented Training programmes       | 3.00                                           | 80 (Trainees)    | 56 %                           | Marine Welding Fitter – 39<br>Welding Tech 4G – 06<br>Total number - <b>45</b>                                                                                                     |
| Certificate Courses in Languages             | 0.70                                           | 1,000 (Trainees) | 82 %                           | Currently, 818 have engaged for the language training course.                                                                                                                      |
| Courses in Drumming and Dancing and Music    | 22.38                                          | 100 (Trainees)   | 98 %                           | Drumming and dancing - 80<br>Music - 18<br><b>Total number - 98</b>                                                                                                                |
| Applied Information Technology Degree Course | 0.00                                           | 200 (Trainees)   | 100 %                          | 214 have engaged for the year 2024.                                                                                                                                                |
| SWISS Hotel Management Training Course       | 0.00                                           | -                | -                              | Currently 643 trainees have engaged.                                                                                                                                               |



#### e. Capacity Development

| Programmes             | Allocated Provisions for 2024 Revised (Rs. Mn) | Annual Target     | Overall target achieved | Progress achieved (Physical) % | Physical progress in detail                 |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Training of trainers   | 6.20                                           | 12 (Programmes)   | 8 Programmes            | 58 %                           | 07 training programmes completed.           |
| Staff training         | 3.00                                           | 10 (Programmes)   | 06 Programmes           | 60 %                           | 06 training programmes have been completed. |
| Scholarships for staff | 1.50                                           | 15 (Scholarships) | 19 Scholarships         | 100 %                          | 19 scholarships have been awarded to staff. |

#### 08. Progress of the Development Programmes

| No. | Name of the Programme                                     | Allocated Fund (Rs. Mn) | Revised Budget Estimate (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress % | Physical Progress (Cumulative) % |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1   | Construction of the Dambulla Digampathana Training Centre | 29.80                   | 34.60                            | 11.56                                        | 33 %                 | 95 %                             |
| 2   | Chilaw Madampe Training Centre                            | 65.00                   | 85.90                            | 41.43                                        | 48 %                 | 90 %                             |
| 3   | Suriyawewa Training Centre                                | 30.80                   | 42.00                            | 36.94                                        | 88 %                 | 100 %                            |
| 4   | Construction of Kataragama Hotel Training School          | 105.00                  | 95.00                            | 31.10                                        | 33 %                 | 95 %                             |
| 5   | Naula Phase 02 Hostel                                     | 40.00                   | 84.10                            | 56.78                                        | 67 %                 | 100 %                            |
| 6   | Katunayake Toilet System                                  | 7.00                    | 7.00                             | 5.44                                         | 78 %                 | 100 %                            |

## 09. Performance of the utilization of allocated provisions as of 31.12.2024

| Description           | Allocated Provisions (Rs. Mn) | Revised Budget Estimate | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 |              |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
|                       |                               |                         | (Rs. Mn)                            | %            |
| Recurrent Expenditure | 1215.00                       | 1274.60                 | 1094                                | 85.83 %      |
| Capital Expenditure   | 550.00                        | 550.00                  | 406                                 | 73.81 %      |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>1765.00</b>                | <b>1824</b>             | <b>1500</b>                         | <b>82.23</b> |

## 10. Significant Achievements in 2024

### a. Holding an inter-provincial sports tournament at the national level

The last inter-provincial sports tournament of the Youth Corps was held in 2016, and after an 8-year gap, it was held this year magnificently at the Divulapitiya Sports Training Center, under the patronage of Brigadier Sujeewa Ratnayake, Director of the National Youth Corps. Sportspersons from all provinces participated in the tournament, allowing for the identification of talented individuals in volleyball, netball, archery and air rifle shooting.



### b. Provincial Passing out Parade

The passing-out parades for the first batch of young cadets recruited for the Life Skills Course in 2024 were held at the center level across the island and the provincial passing-out parade, with participation from all training centers in the Western Province, took place at the Attanagalla Training Center in August 2024. Mr. K. Mahesan, Secretary to the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs, participated as the chief guest at this passing-out parade.



### c. Y – Rhythm 2024 Reality Programme

The primary objective of 'The Space of Dreams Empowering Reality Y - Rhythm 2024' program is to identify the singing abilities of youth cadets undergoing training at the Youth Corps and provide them with a platform and this program implements as an evaluation project for the aesthetic cadets training at the Aesthetic Resort. Youth cadets with singing abilities from all centers participated in the initial phase of this program and then 27 finalists participated for the second phase, three from each province, selected at the



provincial level. This competition consisted of 06 phases and the finals held on 17th December 2024, coinciding with Youth Corps Day, at the Duncan White Auditorium of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.



#### **d. Publication of the Corporate Plan**

A corporative plan had not been prepared for the Youth Corps for a long time and this had been questioned from time to time through audit queries. The five-year plan for 2024-2028 has now been published, and all future programs of the Youth Corps are being implemented in accordance with it.



#### **e. Participation in the Mahapola Exhibition**

The National Youth Corps participated in the Mahapola Education and Trade Fair, which was held after many years. During this event, efforts were made to aware the public on the services and the role of the Youth Corps. Especially, it was observed that the youth attending the exhibition were particularly focused on the hospitality courses offered at the Hotel Training School in Inamaluwa, Dambulla.

#### **f. Participating in the 'Skill Up' Job and Career Fair**

To celebrate World Youth Skills Day, the Vocational Education Division of the Ministry of Education set up a Youth Corps exhibition booth at the Skill Up Job and Career Fair, held at the German Technical Training College in Katubedda. At the booth, young people seeking information on vocational education and training had the opportunity to learn about the Youth Corps' life skills course and hotel management courses.

#### **g. Development of a life skills curriculum**

The curriculum of the Life Skills Course, which had been implemented for a long time without review, was evaluated this year, and the content was updated to better prepare students for becoming global citizens in the future world. The United Nations Development Programme provided the necessary expertise to support this effort. Accordingly, the entire subject has been compiled into 9 modules and published in all three languages. Also, trainers have been trained, and a new syllabus has been introduced for the Life Skills Course.



#### **h. SWISS Hotel Management Training Course**

This Hotel Management Training Course is conducted in collaboration with the Baur Institute and the National Youth Corps, by the government of Switzerland. Currently, 646 trainees from 10 training centers across the island have participated in this course. This 9-month course includes 4 months of on-the-job training, and the trainees who completed the course successfully will be directed to employment opportunities in the hotel sector.

#### **i. Life skills training for Advanced Level students**

Arrangements were made to provide 14 days of life skills training to students from selected schools who are entering the General Certificate of Education Advanced Level classes in 2024. This program provided the necessary guidance to help students achieve their educational goals and develop their aspirations and currently 5,635 students have participated in this programme.

#### **j. Outdoor training for young cadets conducted in Naula**

Although outdoor training for youth cadets enrolled in the Life Skills Course is conducted at their respective centers, participating in an adventure training program at the Naula Training Center remains a dream for every youth cadet. The Director of the Youth Corps, recognizing the importance of this matter, has provided an opportunity to train 100 individuals from each province at the Naula Training Center. As a result, 900 youth cadets have completed training in the first phase, and efforts are underway to train an additional 900 in the second phase.

#### **k. Launch of the Disaster Loan Scheme for Staff Welfare**

Youth Corps staff members were not yet able to receive benefits from a disaster loan scheme. Youth Corps Director Brigadier Sujeewa Ratnayake, who drew attention to this issue, discussed the matter with the State Budget Department and has now implemented a disaster loan scheme. The amount of loans applied for indicates that the scheme has contributed to the welfare of many staff members.

## **I. Providing job opportunities for aesthetic cadets**

The Directors of the Aesthetic Sections of the Sri Lanka Army and the Sri Lanka Air Force are currently offering employment opportunities to Aesthetic cadets who have obtained National Vocational Qualification Level IV and Level VI certificates in singing, dancing, and drumming from the Yakkala Aesthetic Resort. Two promotional programs were held at the Yakkala Training Center.

## **m. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Vocational Training Authority**

The Vocational Training Authority is a key stakeholder in providing vocational training to youth cadets undergoing the Youth Corps Life Skills Course. This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has established the necessary arrangements to ensure the success of the vocational training process by addressing the current challenges faced.

## **n. Training of 100,000 youth**

As of September 30, 2024, a total of 108,123 youth has participated in Youth Corps courses and received life skills training. This achievement can be considered one of the Youth Corps' major accomplishments in 2024.



## **11.Future Goals 2024-2028**

- By 2028, 113,580 skilled workers, equipped with skills aligned to job market trends, will be employed both locally and abroad.
- By 2028, the target of 168,000 youth will be equipped with life skills tailored for the future world of work.
- By 2028, 3,300 targeted beneficiaries will become qualified trainees, meeting the demands of the international labor market through selected special events.
- By 2028, a system of 60 training centers will be established as socially, economically, culturally, and environmentally empowered institutions.
- Establishing an attractive training center network by 2028
- A 20% self-financing institution in 2028.
- An institutional system with branded certification in 2027.
- An institution with internationally recognized quality management systems by 2028.
- By 2025, establishing a Management Information System (MIS) and Learning Management System (LMS).





# **National Center for Leadership Development**

## **2024 Progress Report**



## National Center for Leadership Development

### 01. Introduction

The National Center for Leadership Development is situated in the scenic Yodhagama Grama Niladhari Division, within the Embilipitiya Divisional Secretariat of the Ratnapura District.

The area of permanent buildings, modeled after iconic structures of the country (Parliament and Temple Trees), was constructed as 'Yodhagama Village' at the Gam Uda Exhibition Grounds, which took place on June 23, 1985. After the exhibition, on the instructions of then-Prime Minister R. Premadasa, the land formerly under the Ministry of Local Government was established as a training center by the Local Government Training and Research Institute on September 15, 1985, utilizing the existing buildings and a 35-acre area.

Training activities commenced with the aim of training officers of the Gramodaya Boards established at the village level and the institution was aptly named the 'International Center for Training Rural Leaders'. Subsequently, various training programmes have been implemented under different ministries, as outlined below.

- Small group training under the Janasaviya programme.
- Training of chairpersons of Gramodaya Boards.
- Training of representatives of local government bodies.
- Training leaders of community-based boards.
- Entrepreneurship training for Samurdhi managers, small groups and Jana Pubudu beneficiaries.
- Samurdhi Beneficiary Women's Shelter Programme

In 2013, this institution came under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development and by that time, in addition to training rural leaders, the center's role had expanded to developing leadership skills across various sectors. As a result, through a special cabinet paper, the existing 'International Center for Training Rural Leaders' was renamed the 'National Center for Leadership Development,' and its scope was also broadened. Since 2020, this training center has been under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and continues to operate under its control. The center currently employs a staff of 62, including a Director, Assistant Director, Accountant, and Administrative Officer.

The primary function of this institution is to conduct leadership development training programmes for school students, youth, public and private sector officials and rural leaders. In addition, accommodation, meals, lecture halls and other facilities are provided for training programmes organized by external parties.

The residential capacity of the institution was about 265 and the renovation of the aforementioned buildings in 2023 increased this capacity to 400. Additionally, due to its use as a COVID-19 treatment center and the lack of timely funding caused by the economic crisis, conducting free training programs became challenging.

As a solution, leadership training programs, which had been offered free of charge for nearly 38 years, began to be conducted on a fee-based basis starting in September 2023. However, for programs involving school students, accommodation, lecture halls, and other facilities are provided free of charge, with only food-related expenses being charged. Also,

with the aim of providing leadership development training according to current demand, items required for Adventure Based Training were prepared

Currently, the center has 13 dormitories (including 11 air-conditioned rooms) that can accommodate approximately 400 trainees, an air-conditioned conference hall with seating for 400, four additional lecture halls, a fully equipped dining hall that can seat 150, 16 official residences, and 47 buildings, including the head office, all situated on a beautiful, tranquil area. The center also features a training ground for adventure-based training.

As a result of these innovations, there has been strong demand for training programs, leading to a revenue of over 31 million for the year 2024.

## **02. Vision**

“A youth community with leadership skills”

## **03. Mission**

Developing the leadership skills of the youth community through effective training and research

## **04. Objectives**

- Innovative training programs for the leadership and personality development of school students and youth community
- To create a youth community with spiritual capital to succeed in professional fields.
- Establishing a creative, mutually understanding, dialogic, and effective decision-making youth community to contribute to the country's development.
- Mentoring the youth for community leadership.
- To function as a training center meeting the national training requirements.

## **05. Main Functions**

The main function of the institution is to conduct leadership development training programs and to facilitate this work, the institution is divided into development, accounts, training and maintenance divisions. The functions of each division are outlined as follows.

### **01. Establishment Division**

- Daily administrative tasks
- Matters related to promotions, disciplinary control, performance and retirement.
- Training of training officers and entire staff
- Maintenance of the vehicles of the institution and related activities
- Record room maintenance tasks

### **02. Accounts Division**

- Preparing financial estimates, reporting and monitoring expenses
- Procurement activities
- Asset control
- Providing information for audit.
- Carrying out tasks related to cases where departmental procurement limits are exceeded.

### 03. Training Division

- Planning and implementing training programmes
- Assessing the training needs of each trainee as appropriate
- Preparing training session plans
- Providing resources for training programmes
- Post-evaluation of training programs for school students
- Summarizing training program evaluations and diversifying training activities as appropriate
- Design and development of training equipment

### 04. Supply Division

- Submitting orders for training activities
- Accepting food items
- Issuance to the kitchen
- Supervision of kitchen operations

### 05. Development and Maintenance Division

- Building repair and maintenance work
- Maintaining the beauty of the 35-acre land.
- Development and maintenance of infrastructure

### 06. Human Resource Profile :

|              | Approved Cadre | Existing Cadre | Vacancies | Excess   |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|----------|
| Senior       | 5              | 3              | 2         | -        |
| Tertiary     | 1              | 1              | -         | -        |
| Secondary    | 37             | 35             | 02        | -        |
| Primary      | 33             | 27             | 06        | -        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>76</b>      | <b>66</b>      | <b>10</b> | <b>-</b> |

### 07. Progress of the Development Programmes in the year 202

#### Progress of Training Programmes in the year 2024

| No  | Programme Category                                           | No. of Programme s | No. of trainees | Income (Rs. Mn) | Expenditure (Rs. Mn) |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 01. | Leadership development training programs for school prefects | 30                 | 2151            | 4.9             | 4.97                 |

|              |                                                                                           |            |             |             |             |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 02.          | Leadership development training programs for the youth community                          | 10         | 870         | 2.3         | 1.63        |
| 03.          | Leadership development training programs for public officers                              | 19         | 1302        | 5.2         | 3.5         |
| 04.          | Leadership development training programmes for activists of community-based organizations | 02         | 190         | 0.4         | 0.85        |
| 05.          | Subject-based training programmes                                                         | 30         | 3088        | 15.4        | 9.44        |
| 06.          | Follow-up programmes                                                                      | 21         | 1173        | -           | 0.05        |
| <b>Total</b> |                                                                                           | <b>112</b> | <b>8774</b> | <b>28.2</b> | <b>20.4</b> |

|                                                                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 01. Income generated from training programs implemented within budget allocations | = ₦ 28,187,977.00               |
| 02. Income generated from facilitation programs                                   | = ₦ 4,299,331.00                |
| 03. Photography income                                                            | = ₦ 104,250.00                  |
|                                                                                   | <u><u>= ₦ 32,591,558.00</u></u> |

#### 08. Performance of the Utilization of the Allocated Provision as of 31.12.2024

| Description                  | Allocated Provision (Rs.Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 |                      |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
|                              |                             | Financial Progress (Rs.Mn)          | Financial Progress % |
| <b>Recurrent Expenditure</b> | 71.28                       | 70                                  | 98%                  |
| <b>Capital Expenditure</b>   | 48                          | 42                                  | 87%                  |
| <b>Total</b>                 | 119.28                      | 111.42                              | 94%                  |

#### 09. Special Achievements in the year 2024

- Preparing the necessary groundwork to initiate Adventure-Based Training and commence training activities.



- Taking steps to increase the center's residential capacity from approximately 265 to 400 by renovating the dormitories and converting unused official residences into additional dormitory spaces.



## 10.Future Goals 2025-2028

| No. | Name of the Programme                                        | Targeted Beneficiaries |                      | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
| 01. | Leadership Development Training Programs for School Students | School students        | No. of Programmes    | 60   | 65   | 65   | 70   |
|     |                                                              |                        | No. of Beneficiaries | 3600 | 3900 | 3900 | 4200 |
| 02. | Leadership Development Training Programs for Youth           | Youth community        | No. of Programmes    | 20   | 20   | 20   | 20   |

|     |                                                                                     |                                                                |                      |      |      |      |      |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
|     | Community                                                                           |                                                                | No. of Beneficiaries | 1200 | 1200 | 1200 | 1200 |
| 03. | Leadership Development Training Programs for Public Officers                        | Public Officers                                                | No. of Programmes    | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
|     |                                                                                     |                                                                | No. of Beneficiaries | 600  | 600  | 600  | 600  |
| 04. | Leadership Development Training Programs for Community-based Organization Activists | Activists of Rural Community-based and Voluntary Organizations | No. of Programmes    | 10   | 10   | 10   | 10   |
|     |                                                                                     |                                                                | No. of Beneficiaries | 600  | 600  | 600  | 600  |
| 04. | Subject-based Training Programs                                                     | Officers of Public and Private Sector Institutions             | No. of Programmes    | 60   | 60   | 60   | 60   |
|     |                                                                                     |                                                                | No. of Beneficiaries | 3600 | 3600 | 3600 | 3600 |
| 04. | Follow up Programmes                                                                | School Students who received Leadership Training               | No. of Programmes    | 25   | 25   | 25   | 25   |
|     |                                                                                     |                                                                | No. of Beneficiaries | 1500 | 1500 | 1500 | 1500 |



# National Institute of Sports Science

## 2024 Progress Report



## National Institute of Sports Science

### 01. Introduction

This institute was initiated in 1979 by the name “Sports School” and was established as the National Institute of Sports Science by a Special Parliamentary Act in 1996. Being the pioneer institute in Sports Education in Sri Lanka, it performs the role of imparting knowledge on sports contributing its development in the society.

### 02. Vision

To become the prominent institute in Sports Education.

### 03. Mission

To contribute to formulate sports policies, to develop knowledge, skills and competencies in the sports sector and carry out research as to promote sports education

### 04. Objectives

1. To design, plan and implement educational programs by identifying the timely requirements of the sports sector
2. To update the direction of expertise necessary for the standardization of the development of Sports Education.
3. To disseminate modern sports knowledge to rural areas through short-term courses and training programs with the aim of imparting new sports knowledge at rural level.

### Major activities

| # | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Target Group                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | To conduct sports education programs in accordance with the provisions of Sports Act No. 1973/25 and National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ IV, NVQ V, NVQ VI). <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advanced course for sports coaches (NVQ VI)</li><li>• Diploma course in Sports Science (NVQ V)</li><li>• Physical Fitness Instructor Training Course (NVQ IV)</li></ul><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducting sports courses/training programs covering the areas inclusive of sports management, sports injury management.</li></ul> | Coaches, sports officers, physical education teachers of the Ministry of Education, physical training instructors in the defense services, athletes who have competed at international and national levels, sports media personnel |
| 2 | To act as a Sports Information Centre.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | All categories of the sports sector                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 3 | To provide infrastructure facilities required for sports.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | All organizations in the sports sector                                                                                                                                                                                             |

|   |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                              |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4 | To conduct Physical fitness programs.                                                                                    | General public and the government officers who are interested in participating in physical fitness programs  |
| 5 | To conduct Efficiency Bar examinations for sports sector officers                                                        | Coaches and Sports Officers of the Department of Sports Development and the provincial departments of sports |
| 6 | To develop skills and attitudes of the sports coaches and issue Coach Registration Certificates                          | Coaches belonging to all national sports associations.                                                       |
| 7 | To conduct sports diploma course as an efficiency bar examination for sports coaches in the Ministry of Education.       | New sports coaches recruited by the Ministry of Education.                                                   |
| 8 | To conduct training programs for physical fitness instructors who train officers of the defence services and the police. | Physical fitness instructors of the defence services and the police.                                         |
| 9 | NVQ Level IV Sports Course conducted to ensure the 13 year education of school children                                  | School students with talents for sports, but not eligible for higher education.                              |

#### 06. Human Resource Profile:

|              | Approved Cadre | Existing Cadre | Deficiency | Redundant |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-----------|
| Senior       | 07             | 01             | 06         | -         |
| Territory    | 11             | 03             | 08         | -         |
| Secondary    | 29             | 19             | 10         | -         |
| Primary      | 07             | 04             | 03         | -         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>54</b>      | <b>27</b>      | <b>27</b>  | <b>-</b>  |

#### 07. Progress of development programmes

| N<br>o | Name of the program                              | Allocated amount (Rs. Mn) | Financial progress as on 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress % | Physical Progress % |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1      | Sports Reengineering Project                     | 19.30                     | 17.88                                        | 93                   | 93                  |
| 2      | Human Resource Development                       | 0.80                      | 0.43                                         | 55                   | 55                  |
| 3      | Plant and Machinery                              | 3.70                      | 2.89                                         | 78                   | 78                  |
| 4      | Furniture and Office Equipment                   | 1.20                      | 0.93                                         | 78                   | 78                  |
|        | Rehabilitation and Improvement of Capital Assets |                           |                                              |                      |                     |
| 6      | Building and Structures                          | 5.00                      | 4.83                                         | 97                   | 100                 |

|   |                     |              |              |              |           |
|---|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| 7 | Plant and Machinery | 1.00         | 0.34         | 34           | 35        |
| 8 | Vehicles            | 0.50         | 0            | 0            | 0         |
|   | <b>Total</b>        | <b>31.50</b> | <b>27.30</b> | <b>86.67</b> | <b>87</b> |

#### 08. Performance of Utilization of Allocated Provision as on 31.12.2024

| Description        | Allocated Amount<br>(Rs. Mn) | Financial progress as on 31.12.2024 |              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
|                    |                              | (Rs. Mn)                            | %            |
| Recurrent Expenses | 64.00                        | 42.5                                | 66.40        |
| Capital Expenses   | 31.50                        | 25.9                                | 82.22        |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>95.50</b>                 | <b>68.4</b>                         | <b>71.62</b> |

#### 09. Special achievements during the year 2024

1. A special sports training program was conducted for school sports coaches and physical education teachers during the period between 20.05.2024 and 22.05.2024



highlights of the program

2. A training program was conducted in Matara sea beach from 26.06.2024 to 29.06.2024 with the intention of developing strength and conditioning required for sports.



highlights of the program

3. Certificate awarding ceremony of the National Institute of Sports Science was held on 07.05.2024 at the Duncan White auditorium, Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs. The State Minister of Youth and Affairs presided over this occasion.



highlights of the certificate awarding ceremony

Number of sports courses and training programs conducted in the year 2024 - 31  
Number imparted education and knowledge – 1561

#### **10. Future Goals 2024-2027**

1. To conduct short term training programs with the assistance of foreign sports coaches as to provide modern technical knowledge for coaches in sports that can reach the performance level of the Olympic Games in 2028
2. To conduct advanced coaching courses targeting the sports that can win medals in Asian Games and Common Wealth Games in 2026
3. To conduct training programs as to provide knowledge on exercise and relevant machines for instructors in physical fitness centers and school leavers interested in the same, targeting the opportunities in the local and overseas job markets.



# **Sri Lanka Anti Doping Agency**

## **2024 Progress Report**



# **Sri Lanka Anti Doping Agency**

## **01.Introduction**

Currently, the national and international sports sector has rapidly become commercialized. Due to high competition currently, they have been tempted to use illegal methods and achieve more victories.

As a result, substances and methods which are banned in sports have entered the field. Using these banned substances in national as well as international level sports will not only damage the authenticity of the sport but will eventually bring disrepute among the international community, as a country and also deteriorate the future generation in terms of health.

By following the World Anti-Doping Agency which was established in Montreal, Canada in 1999, to prevent the use of banned substances at the international level, prevention and demonstrations related to the use of banned substances within the Sri Lankan sports arena was handled by the Institute of Sports Medicine, until 2013.

On 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2013, the Convention Against Doping in Sports Act No.33 of 2013 was incorporated, as the requirement of a separate entity to function independently in order to address this subject which was already immerging, a Statutory Board named Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency was established under section three (3) of this act with the objective of eradicating prohibited substances and methods from Sri Lankan sports.

Currently Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency is functioning as a Statutory Board under the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs

The main objective of Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency is to eradicate substances which are prohibited to be used by the athletes in sports and promote clean sport.

## **02. Vision**

Dope free Sri Lankan Sports Energy for right and fair Achievement

## **03. Mission**

To implement the Convention against Doping in Sport Act. No.33 of 2013 according to the World Anti-Doping Act and its Regulations.

## **04. Objective**

Supporting the compliance with Sri Lanka's National Anti-Doping Policy.

## **Secondary Objectives**

- Giving awareness to the Government, Sports Ministry and National Olympic Committee regarding the National Anti-Doping Policy.
- Being instrumental in implementing the 2021 World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards across Sri Lanka.
- Supporting all Sports Associations/Institutions to comply with the National Anti-Doping Police.
- Sharing up to date anti-doping practices and expertise knowledge with other anti-doping organizations, including WADA's Regional Anti-Doping Organizations where relevant on a commercial basis.
- Cooperate with influential anti-doping organization including WADA and NADO.
- Providing expert anti-doping advice and direction to high profile sporting events of national importance.
- Fulfilling all major event responsibilities according to the world class standard.
- Delivering an integrated risk based programme to prevent doping.
- Evaluating the risk of doping in sport in Sri Lanka utilizing internal and external experts
- Increase the intelligence collection competencies from available bases, including law enforcement.
- Enable value-base strategies on prevention through education programmes across Sri Lanka's sporting and educational landscape, supported by the growth of best practice tools and support services.
- Operate an intelligence-led, energetic and receptive testing programme.
- Vigorous investigation and prosecution of anti-doping rule violations.
- To promote a level playing field for athletes by applying international policy and practices.

## **05. Main Functions**

The main functions of Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency are,

- Conducting dope control tests.  
In sports dope control tests are conducted using urine or blood samples obtained from the athletes. These tests are conducted both in and out of competition. The samples collected are sent to the foreign laboratories which are accredited by the World Anti-Doping Agency and the results are obtained. If it has been confirmed positive for prohibited substances, relevant legal measures will be taken and punishment will be given.

- Conducting awareness programs and workshops.  
Anti-Doping in Sports is completely a new topic for Sri Lanka. Therefore awareness is given sports enthusiasts such as athletes, coaches, parents of school level athletes and other parties who are interested in sports.
- Conducting research on prohibited substances.  
Eastern countries like Sri Lanka still use indigenous medicine, ayurvedic medicine and traditional food and beverages. Here, research will be conducted to detect whether these medicines, food and beverages contain these prohibited substances, further research papers will be prepared and the knowledge will be shared among the international community.

## 06. Human Resource Profile

The cadre approved by the Department of Management Services is 29 for Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency. 11 numbers should be recruited to complete the approved cadre.

|              | Approved number of employees | Number of existing employees | On acting basis | Vacancies | Excess    |
|--------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Senior       | 10                           | 7                            | 1               | 2         | 2         |
| Tertiary     | 3                            | 1                            |                 | 2         | 2         |
| Secondary    | 9                            | 4                            |                 | 5         | 5         |
| Primary      | 7                            | 5                            |                 | 2         | 2         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>29</b>                    | <b>17</b>                    | <b>1</b>        | <b>11</b> | <b>11</b> |

## 07. Progress of Development Projects

| Serial No | Name of the program                              |                                                      | Allocated Amount (Rs.M) | Financial progress as on 2024.12.31 (Rs.M) | Financial Progress% | Physical Progress % |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 01        | Rehabilitation and development of capital assets |                                                      | 4.5                     | 1.47                                       | 33                  | 42                  |
| 02        | Aquisition of capital equipment                  | Building and construction                            | 6.00                    | 2.7                                        |                     | 50                  |
|           |                                                  | Aquisition of training equipment and other equipment | 1.20                    | 1.2                                        | 100                 | 100                 |
|           |                                                  | Aquisition of laboratory equipment                   | 1.55                    | 1.55                                       | 100                 | 100                 |

|    |                                |              |              |           |    |
|----|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----|
| 03 | Capacity building              | 1.20         | 0.32         | 27        | 86 |
| 04 | Dope Control Tests             | 18.00        | 16.41        | 91        | 90 |
| 05 | Anti-Doping Education          | 1.05         | 0.87         | 83        | 97 |
| 06 | Enforcement and Implementation | 1.50         | 1.44         | 96        | 90 |
| 07 | Research and Development       | 14.00        | 9.60         | 69        | 80 |
| 08 | Installation of Solar panels   | 15.00        | 0.02         | 0.1       | 45 |
|    | <b>Total</b>                   | <b>64.00</b> | <b>35.62</b> | <b>56</b> |    |

**08. Performance of utilization of allocated provision as on 2024.12.31**

| Description           | Allocated provisions<br>(Rs.M) | Financial progress as on 2024.12.31 |              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
|                       |                                | (Rs.M)                              | (%)          |
| Recurrent expenditure | 67.1                           | 50.3                                | 74.96        |
| Capital expenditure   | 64.00                          | 36                                  | 56.25        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>131</b>                     | <b>86.3</b>                         | <b>65.82</b> |

**09. Goals and special achievements in year 2024**

**Conducting awareness programs for athletes.**



**Awareness on functions of Police Officers and how the law is implemented in order to prevent the spreading of prohibited substances within the country.**



**Educating athletes and parents through exhibition booths at all Island Sport events and School Sport events**



**Signing of MoUs with universities and conducting tests by the research unit.**



#### **10. Future Goals 2025-2028**

- Development of Inter-cooperation plan, strengthening legal framework, inter-organization cooperation and developing self-reliance to become the most professional and sustainable organization in the field of anti-doping in the Asian region by 2028.
- Promoting education tailored with new tools to educate all Sri Lankan athletes and athletes on anti-doping process by 2028 by monitoring, implementing, and reporting of prohibited substance usage.
- Streamlining the promotion, facilitation, coordination and promoting society and research on doping to become the central hub on conducting research in the field of doping by 2028
- Establishment of information system by 2026 using latest ICT tool.
- Reducing anti-doping rule violations (ADRVs) by 2028 by conducting anti-doping tests and strengthening internal results management.
- Strengthening the law enforcement system in doping to become the legal hub for controlling illicit substance usage by 2028.





# **Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority**

## **2024 Progress Report**



## **Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority**

### **1.Introduction**

Sugathadasa National Sports Complex was entrusted to the Ministry of Sports as a trust fund with effect from 01.02.1995 and it is administered in terms of Act No. 17 of 1999 dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 1999 for incorporating it as Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority and the Act No. 14 of 2017 (Amendment) .

Sugathadasa National Sports Complex which is the largest sports complex in Sri Lanka at present provides infrastructure required for sportsmen and sportswomen complying with international standards. Further, the largest air-conditioned indoor stadium with 5,000 seating capacity in the island has been established within this sports complex. This institute facilitates not only sports events in National Sports Institutes, National Sports Clubs, Sports Clubs and schools but also sport and non-sport programmes conducted by tri-forces, banks and other financial institutes, universities, government and semi government and private sector institutions.

#### **1. Vision**

Transforming the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority into a Sports Complex in Asia equipped with internationally recognized first class sports facilities and facilitation for the development of sports in Sri Lanka with concessions through the development of the other sports complexes owned by the Authority.

#### **2. Mission**

Contribution in the development of Sri Lankan Sports by providing internationally recognized facilities and to become a pioneer international sports complex in the Asian Region equipped with facilities required to upgrade the talents of Sri Lankan Sportsmen and Sportswomen.

#### **3. Objectives**

- To manage, maintain, safeguard and develop the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex.
- To improve sports and recreational activities and facilities of the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex to fulfill the requirements of the sports economy and sports tourism.
- To provide facilities available in the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex for the advancement of sports in the Country.
- To guarantee the use of sports and recreational activities as methodologies for the establishment of social integration and the building of the Nation.

#### 4. Major Functions

- This authority is taking following measures to fulfill the responsibilities such as coordinating with the sports clubs for management, maintenance, protection and development of the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex and to provide facilities at reasonable rates on behalf of sports and services and facilities are provided to National Sports Clubs, School Sports Clubs and Public and Private Institutions under the reasonable rates approved by the Board of Management.
- To provide infrastructure facilities that are necessary for training sportsmen and sportswomen for National and International track and field events.
- To provide of facilities required to conduct matches with international recognition during day times as well as during night times.
- To facilitate for the advancement of sportsmen/ sportswomen with talents in needy schools and at rural level by providing infrastructure facilities to uplift their talents.
- To provide swimming and diving pool facilities required for the conduct of nationally and internationally recognized swimming competitions.
- To supply facilities necessary for conducting examinations, conferences, conventions, festivals and recreational activities.
- To organize workshops for training activities.

#### 5. Human Resource Profile

|              | Approved Cadre | Existing Cadre | Vacancies  | Excess   |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|------------|----------|
| Senior       | 11             | 5              | 7          | 0        |
| Tertiary     | 11             | 9              | 2          | 0        |
| Secondary    | 74             | 49             | 25         | 0        |
| Primary      | 281            | 186            | 95         | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>377</b>     | <b>248</b>     | <b>129</b> | <b>0</b> |

#### 6. Progress of Development Programmes

| # | Programme                                                                             | Allocation (Rs.Mn.) | Financial progress as at 30.09.2024 (Rs.Mn.) | Financial Progress % | Physical Progress % |
|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Renovation of outdoor media building and roof of the pavilion                         | 54                  | 20.24                                        | 37%                  | 45%                 |
| 2 | Renovation of the indoor stadium                                                      | 37                  | 9.37                                         | 25.3%                | 22%                 |
| 3 | Purchasing and installation of chairs for the pavilion of the swimming pool (Stage 1) | 13.7                | 12.74                                        | 93%                  | 100%                |
| 4 | Purchasing and installation of chairs for the pavilion of the swimming pool (Stage 2) | 18                  | -                                            | -                    | 12%                 |

|    |                                                                   |      |       |       |      |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|------|
| 5  | Purchasing of a Public Address System for the Outdoor Stadium     | 9.3  | -     | -     | 7%   |
| 6  | Renovation of the vehicle park of the Bogambara Stadium           | 18   | 16.24 | 90.2% | 100% |
| 7  | Renovation of Bogambara Stadium                                   | 28   | -     | -     | 12%  |
| 8  | Renovation of the fence around the outdoor stadium                | 18   | -     | -     | 20%  |
| 9  | Renovation of the fire extinguishing system of the indoor stadium | 14.5 | 12.64 | 87.2% | 95%  |
| 10 | Renovation of CCTV camera system                                  | 2    | 0.29  | 14.5% | 2%   |
| 11 | Purchasing of sports equipment                                    | 9.5  | -     | -     | 12%  |
| 12 | Construction of Archery Range                                     | 2.00 | -     | -     | 0%   |
| 13 | Purchasing Kitchen Equipment for Sports Hotel                     | 9.50 | -     | -     | 3%   |
| 14 | Renovation of Ceiling at Indoor Stadium                           | 9.50 | -     | -     | 1%   |
| 15 | Continued Projects                                                | 84   | 77.61 | 93%   | 90%  |

**7. Performance of utilizing provisions allocated as at 31.12.2024**

| Description           | Allocated provisions<br>(Rs.Mn.) | Financial Progress as at 31.12.2024 |              |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
|                       |                                  | (Rs.Mn.)                            | %            |
| Recurrent expenditure | 465.00                           | 174.66                              | 37.56        |
| Capital expenditure   | 320.00                           | 149.13                              | 46.6         |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>785.00</b>                    | <b>323.79</b>                       | <b>41.25</b> |

**8. Targets fulfilled and achievements made in 2024**

1. The institute has earned an income of **Rs. 244.86 million** by providing facilities to sport and non-sport events of the Authority as at 31.12.2024.
2. A programme was conducted on 28.05.2024 to recognize swimming skills of the children studying at Colombo North schools by the Sports Division of Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority and 300 students participated in it. This programme was conducted with the participation of experienced trainers of athletic, volleyball, football, netball, and swimming.



3. The project on renovation of water refinery of the swimming pool and pumping house is implemented and it saves the amount of money which is utilized on 500 water units monthly and the water capacity of 34 Lakhs L could be refined and reused. Hence, after the completion of this project the cost which is borne by the authority on supply of water to the swimming pools could be saved (project cost Rs. 49.19 million).



## **9. Future Targets 2025 – 2028**

Since Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority is a leading sports complex in Sri Lanka which provides national and international level sports facilities, it has addressed to achieve the following targets in the years to improve sport and to involve in administrative activities to assist them.

1. To develop physical and human resources to provide modern sports facilities.
2. To develop /maintain sports infrastructure to facilitate practice and events.
3. To increase the use/ number of users of sport infrastructure within the premises who urge for a friendly sport culture.
4. To provide qualified instructors/ coaches to provide a quality service to the sportsmen and sportswomen
5. To use sports infrastructure of the Authority for further improvement of revenue and thereby minimize the cost borne on the institute by the government.
6. Equip external bodies with technical knowledge for management of play grounds/ swimming pools and provide sports facilities.
7. To give instructions and provide technical assistance for management of sports facilities at schools, clubs and sports complexes.
8. To reach equivalent level of income and expenditure by the end of 2026 by increasing sports infrastructure and sales income within the promises.





# Institute of Sports Medicine

## **2024 Progress Report**



# **Institute of Sports Medicine**

## **1. Introduction**

The Institute of Sports Medicine has been established with the aim of optimizing physical and mental health of Sri Lankan sportsmen and sportswomen, preventing their diseases, managing injuries and for conducting research on sports nutrition and sports and exercise medicine for the advancement of sports in the country. The institute provides medical coverage for all sports competitions from the school level to national and international levels and offers all sports related medical facilities to sportsmen and women.

Comprehensive range of services are offered collaboratively by the Emergency Treatment Division, Outpatients Division, Rehabilitation Division, Physical Fitness Division, Biomechanics Division and Research & Development Division and the Institute is committed to make maximum contribution for the achievement of victories internationally by conducting research on sports medicine and employing the cutting edge sports technology employed by developed countries. Further, the Human Performance Laboratory has been established and with the completion of the Biomechanics Division thereof and the Institute of Sports Medicine will be able to offer facilities of a fully-fledged human performance laboratory to sports personalities.

## **2. Vision**

To be the leader in the provision and promotion of an optimal health service through sports and Exercise Medicine

## **3. Mission**

Developing as the centre of excellence in Sri Lanka in promoting health and wellbeing through a holistic approach incorporating sports and exercise medicine, clinical research and education.

## **4. Objectives**

1. Elevating all sportsmen and women to a higher level internationally by improving their health and physical fitness.
2. Establishing the human performance laboratory for identifying talents of sports persons using sports science and modern technology and harnessing their inborn talents and offering the maximum benefits of the laboratory to local sportsmen and women.
3. Identifying issues of sports persons by conducting pre-participatory medical examinations and providing necessary remedial measures.
4. Conducting regular physical fitness tests and nutritional assessments for sports persons, improving their physical fitness and nutrition through such measures.
5. Providing consultation and guidance for the sports persons to nurture a winning mentality by improving their mental health.
6. Maintaining the nutritional level of sports persons at an optimal to be best suited to sports.

7. Implementing educational programmes to create awareness amongst trainers and medical assistants on the use of first-aid in sports.
8. Providing first-aid and medical coverage of international standard to sports events held at the national and international levels.
9. Conducting research in collaboration with the local and international sports science experts and contributing to the advancement of local sports through the knowledge gained therefrom.
10. Contributing to create a healthy community by providing knowledge and guidance of sports science to the field of sports and exercise.

## 5. Key functions

- Initiating action for the prevention and management of sports injury.
- Conducting consultant medical clinics.
- Conducting physical fitness tests.
- Conducting research and tests on the biotechnology and the heart lung endurance capacity of sportsmen and women through the human performance laboratory.
- Consultation on sports nutrition and sports mentality.
- Medical and first aid coverage for the national and international sports events.
- Conducting studies and research on sports.
- Providing consultation on sports and exercises and medical facilities to persons engaged in recreational sports.
- Entering into Memoranda of Understandings with local and foreign experts and institutions in relation to the research on sports and nutrition.

## 6. Human Resources Profile

|           | Approved cadre | Existing cadre | Vacancies (Excess) |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Senior    | 10             | 06             | 04                 |
| Tertiary  | 05             | 03             | 02                 |
| Secondary | 20             | 17             | 03                 |
| Primary   | 41             | 37             | 04                 |
| Total     | 76             | 63             | 13                 |

## 7. Progress of development programmes

| # | Name of the programme              | Amount allocated (Rs. Mn) | Financial progress as at 31.12.2024 (Rs Mn) | Financial Progress % | Physical progress % |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Building and constructions         | 2.00                      | 1.90                                        | 95                   | 100                 |
| 2 | Improvement of plant and machinery | 1.00                      | 1.00                                        | 100                  | 100                 |
| 3 | Improvement of Vehicle             | 1.00                      | 0.74                                        | 74                   | 80                  |
| 4 | Acquisition of plant and machinery | 1.00                      | 0.42                                        | 42                   | 90                  |
| 5 | Capacity Building – Staff training | 1.00                      | 0.43                                        | 43                   | 70                  |

|           |                                                                                                                       |              |             |           |           |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>6</b>  | Research & development                                                                                                | 10.00        | 0.47        | 5         | 40        |
| <b>7</b>  | Improve the Sport performance by enhancing Nutritional Status of High Performance Athletes                            | 4.00         | 1.33        | 33        | 100       |
| <b>8</b>  | Programme to improve the Sport nutrition & sport medicine knowledge of athletes at the sports schools & other schools | 3.00         | 0.60        | 20        | 60        |
| <b>9</b>  | Training of trainers for Sports coaches & others                                                                      | 5.00         | 0.31        | 6         | 60        |
| <b>10</b> | Other- Designing the webpage of the Institute and preparation of five-year strategic plan (2023-settlement of bills)  | 1.00         | 0.85        | 85        | 80        |
| <b>11</b> | Buildings & constructions – Installing CCTV and other systems at the Institute                                        | 2.00         | 1.79        | 90        | 100       |
|           | <b>Total</b>                                                                                                          | <b>31.00</b> | <b>9.85</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>60</b> |

#### 8. Performance in the utilization of allocated provisions

| Description           | Provisions allocated (Rs Mn) | Financial progress as at 31.12.2024 |              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
|                       |                              | (Rs. Mn)                            | %            |
| Recurrent expenditure | 136.2                        | 116.4                               | 85.46        |
| Capital expenditure   | 31.00                        | 9.85                                | 31.61        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>167.2</b>                 | <b>126.25</b>                       | <b>75.50</b> |

#### 9. Targets achieved and special achievements in the year 2024

- Project for improving the nutritional level of sports persons with high performance

This project is being implemented with the objective of honing skills of sportsmen and women in the country with higher performance and guiding them towards victories at the international level by correctly identifying their issues related to physical and mental health and nutrition and offering solutions tailored to their specific needs.

With the support of a committee comprising university teachers and professors with expertise in nutritional science, action has been initiated to maintain the nutritional level required for the peak performance of sportsmen with a view to measuring the nutritional level of sportsmen & women and giving instructions on nutrition and identifying nutrition related problems and offering solutions to same.



- **Awareness project on sports nutrition & sports medicine for sports schools and other schools with students talented in sports**

This project has been planned to be implemented to test the knowledge of students as to the nutritional status and nutritional level of school athletes and provide them with a nutritional meal and improve their knowledge on nutrition and the project is being implemented in all nine provinces by the Institute of Sports in partnership with the Sri Lanka College of Nutrition Physicians.

Visiting schools and conducting a preliminary nutritional analysis of students engaged in sports and offering solutions to food related issues, revising the menu as appropriate of schools providing meals to school athletes, identifying their sports related injuries through a preliminary medical test and providing medical advice and referring students in need of special medical tests or treatment to regional hospitals are carried out under this project. The programme has already been implemented in the North Central and Western Provinces all will soon be expanded to cover the remaining districts.

Henegama Central College



Horana Thakshila Maha Viddyalaya



Royal College, Polonnaruwa



Rambewa Maha Vidyalyaya



- **Training of Trainers Programme**

The key objectives of this programme are to update the knowledge of trainers at the provincial level, make opportunities available for them to acquire modern technical know-how, provide accurate technical knowledge, improve body strength using body weight and create awareness on how to improve knowledge relating to physical fitness using low cost technical equipment.

At this programme technical advice is offered for minimizing and managing sports related injuries and broadening skills and programmes with practical and theoretical components are implemented in the nine provinces.

## North Central Province



- **Establishing Human Performance Library**

In their attempt to excel at the international level, local athletes have to compete with their international counterparts from countries with advanced sports science, state of the art technology and biomechanics. This places local athletes in a disadvantageous position as an underutilization in the field of sports. Non-utilization of modern training techniques and modern equipment with advanced technology deprives local athletes of opportunities to minimize injuries and causes delays in returning to their respective events after rehabilitation which a major drawback in our sports.

Against this backdrop, the Institute of Sports Medicine has taken measures to address this situation by establishing a fully equipped human performance laboratory.



- **Providing medical coverage for national and local competitions**

One of the primary functions of the Institute of Sports Medicine is to provide medical coverage for the National Sports Festival and other major sports events (national or international). During this year, the Institute covered 166 national level sports competitions and 28 international competitions.

This medical coverage is offered by a highly competent first-aid team comprising doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and masseurs.



For athletes visiting the Institute a host of services inclusive of emergency treatment & OPD treatment, laboratory tests, physiotherapy and massage treatment, sports nutrition and sports mental counselling are provided.

Accordingly, the following services have been provided during this year.

| Emergency and OPD Treatment Services | Laboratory Services | Rehabilitation Services |                 | Sports Nutrition | Physical fitness test | Medical coverage |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------|
|                                      |                     | Physio therapy          | Mannual therapy |                  |                       | Local            | Foreign |
| 8626                                 | 629                 | 4552                    | 3946            | 1917             | 1048                  | 166              | 28      |

### 10.Future targets 2025- 2028

- Providing all the facilities of the Human Performance Laboratory to local sportsmen upon its establishment and deploying the advanced technology in sports for uplifting sports in the country with the use of bio machines and machinery to be procured by the Physiotherapy Division.
- Establishing a recovery unit and hydrotherapy unit in the Institute of Sports Medicine to facilitate the speedy recovery of sportsmen after strenuous exercises.
- The Institute has already collaborate with the Northwestern University, Sri Lanka College of Nutritional Physicians, Kotalawala Defence University having entered into Memoranda of Understanding with them and it is expected to enter into memoranda of understanding with the universities of Peradeniya and Moratuwa, Sri Jayewardenepura Hospital and other institutes employing experts in the field of sports to conduct research on sports and exercises, share knowledge for the advancement of sports in future.
- Upgrading sports masseurs' course from NVQ 4 level to NVQ 5 level and training sports masseurs.
- Converting the Institute of Sports Medicine into revenue generating entity.



# **Small Enterprises Development Division**

## **2024 Progress Report**



## **Small Enterprises Development Division**

### **01. Introduction**

The Small Business Development Division is aiming to nurture a proud and economically contributive youth in Sri Lanka and to serve as the foremost government agency dedicated to fostering a culture of Sri Lankan entrepreneurship by developing entrepreneurial skills in young individuals.

Established in 1982 under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Welfare, this division now boasts four decades of experience in the field of small business and entrepreneurship development. Moreover, the institute's services have been expanded to cover all the regional secretariat divisions on the island, supported by a team of 1,049 institutionalized and field staff.

Development Divisions have been established within the District Secretariat premises, with development officers assigned to all District Secretariats. Also, entrepreneurship development services have been expanded to the grassroots level, emphasizing the integrated implementation of entrepreneurship development in collaboration with all related institutions.

The district office activities are overseen by the Small Business Development Division's headquarters located at No. 420, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7. Additionally, the entrepreneurship development services carried out by the divisional secretaries within their respective districts are supervised by district-level supervisory officers.

### **02. Vision**

Entrepreneurship and Small Enterprises Development for sustainable growth.

### **03. Mission**

In order to provide maximum contribution to the National Development in Sri Lanka,

- Motivate unemployed youth to access the field of enterprises
- Enhance entrepreneurial capabilities in youth
- Improve efficiency and productivity of enterprises
- Provide supportive services for the development of enterprises

### **04. Objectives**

- To create “Local Entrepreneurial Culture” through the development of entrepreneurial capabilities in youth
- To generate job opportunities and uplift living standards of youth through identification of new enterprise opportunities and guide to start enterprises
- To generate more job opportunities and increase income level in youth through improving the efficiency and productivity of youth’s enterprises.
- To provide active contribution to ensure the effectiveness and consistency of micro and small enterprises

## 05.Main Functions

The main role of the Small Business Development Department is to,

- Motivating people to start businesses and assisting them in starting businesses.
- Development of existing businesses through intervention to solve problems faced by entrepreneurs in running their businesses.

To fulfill this role more formally, the institute's responsibilities have been structured into various areas in alignment with the national policy framework recommended for small and medium-scale businesses.

- o Entrepreneurship and Skills Development
- o Promotion of marketing facilities
- o Technology and Innovation
- o Access to financial facilities and coordination of support services
- o Business Consultancy
- o Research and Development

| Level of Services | Approved Cadre | Existing Cadre | Vacancies / Excess |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Senior            | 37             | 34             | 3                  |
| Tertiary          | 151            | 106            | 45                 |
| Secondary         | 920            | 860            | 60                 |
| Primary           | 70             | 49             | 21                 |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>1,178</b>   | <b>1,049</b>   | <b>129</b>         |

## 06.Progress of the Development Programmes

| No. | Name of the Programme       | Allocated Fund (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress (%) | Physical Progress (%) |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 01  | Youth Empowerment Programme | 190.00                  | 140.666                                      | 74                     | 79                    |

\* The progress of each unit involved in the activities under the Youth Empowerment Programme is outlined as follows:

| Unit                              | Allocated Fund (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 (Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress % | Physical Progress % |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Entrepreneurship Development Unit | 39.74                   | 42.71                                        | 107                  | 66                  |
| Technology and Innovation Unit    | 34.69                   | 30.91                                        | 89                   | 111                 |

|                                       |               |               |           |           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Marketing Development Unit            | 77.50         | 44.82         | 58        | 160       |
| Financial and Supporting Service Unit | 17.76         | 14.14         | 80        | 36        |
| Business Consultancy Unit             | 7.39          | 1.79          | 24        | 23        |
| Research and Development Unit         | 12.91         | 6.28          | 49        | 19        |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>190.00</b> | <b>140.66</b> | <b>74</b> | <b>79</b> |

\*\*\*\*\* Progress has been made only in relation to the Rs. 190 million approved for annual entrepreneurship development activities, out of the Rs. 350 million allocated for the Youth Empowerment Programme. (Due to the fact that NPD approval has not yet been received for the proposed Rs. 160 million for the Development Assistance project)

#### **08. Performance of the Utilization of allocated provision as of 31.12.2024**

| Description           | Allocated Provision<br>(Rs. Mn) | Financial Progress as of 31.12.2024 |       |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
|                       |                                 | (Rs. Mn)                            | %     |
| Recurrent Expenditure | 856.825                         | 768.674                             | 89.71 |
| Capital Expenditure   | 480.000                         | 230.4                               | 48    |
| Total                 | 1336.825                        | 966.361                             | 72    |

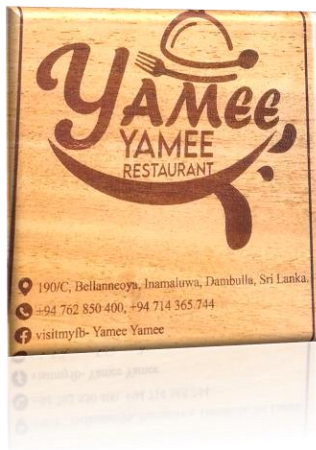
#### **09. Achieved Goals and Special Achievements in the year 2024 (with photographs)**

- ❖ The performance of the key performance indicators achieved through the Youth Empowerment Programme can be outlined as follows.

| No. | Key Performance Indicator          | Target | Target achievement | %  |
|-----|------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|----|
| 01  | Starting new businesses            | 14,000 | 12,272             | 87 |
| 02  | Development of existing businesses | 14,000 | 10,095             | 72 |

- ❖ To achieve this goal, various entrepreneurship development activities were implemented nationwide, and details of selected activities are presented below.

## Several new businesses started in 2024



## Awareness and business motivation programs

By 2024, targets were set to develop 14,000 new businesses and support the growth of 14,000 existing businesses across all divisions. Accordingly, various methods were used to raise awareness and identify these groups, including awareness programs, social media outreach and field officers. As of 31.12.2024, 141,650 people were made aware through these three methods.

Business motivational programs were planned for participants in these awareness campaigns, which were conducted both online and in physical.

| <b>Programme</b>                                          | <b>Participation</b> | <b>Expenditure (Rupees)</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Business motivational programs (online)                   | 1,670                | 20,519.00                   |
| Business motivational programs (physical)                 | 22,879               | 2,566,739.10                |
| Programs conducted targeting specific projects (physical) | 2,360                | 260,187.00                  |
| <b>Total</b>                                              | <b>26,909</b>        | <b>2,847,445.10</b>         |

The importance of starting a business was emphasized to participants, as it plays a crucial role in strengthening the productive economy during the current economic crisis. Participants were also informed about the contributions of the Small Business Development Division and the current business opportunities suitable for starting.



#### Class Z - Online awareness program conducted in specific areas related to entrepreneurship

Class Z can be introduced as a program designed to provide entrepreneurs with updated information to help them overcome the challenges posed by the current crisis. In 2024, steps were taken to provide entrepreneurs with the necessary knowledge through online platforms. This was conducted as a workshop, held five days a week from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

|                                        |       |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Progress from.01.01.2024 to 31.12.2024 |       |
| Number of online programs conducted    | 219   |
| Total participation                    | 8,400 |

Advertisements created for online programs.



#### Entrepreneurship Development Training Program (EDP)

This can be called as a leading programme conducted by our institution on the entrepreneurship development. This programme is conducted by our division from the year 1989 and at the beginning it was conducted as a 21 day residential programme. However, at present due to the busy schedule of the businessmen and the challenge of participating for 21 consecutive days, the programme was planned to be held in two phases. Accordingly, this programme was amended as the first 12 days to plan enterprises on personal development, entrepreneurship development and business management and 04 days to create business plans. Accordingly, the program has been revised to allocate the first 12 days to personal development, entrepreneurship development, and business management, with the remaining 4 days dedicated to business plan preparation.

|                                           |               |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Number of Programmes Conducted Physically | 19            |
| Total Participation                       | 564           |
| Cost (Rupees)                             | 23,647,682.00 |



#### Divisional and district level sales exhibitions

The required assistance for promoting the products of the small scale producers is carried out through FB Pages created at district level and the required assistance to create logos and labels for their products and creating Visiting Cards is carried out through the Marketing Unit. In addition programmes have been implemented to equip entrepreneurs with the awareness needed to become successful marketers, through initiatives such as customer care programs.

|                                                                                |               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Number of entrepreneurs who participated in sales exhibitions as of 31.12.2024 | 36,714        |
| Expenditure (Rupees)                                                           | 34,052,888.15 |



## 10. Future Goals 2025-2028

- Motivating the youth community towards entrepreneurship through introducing new trends and new business ideas.
- To create leaders in the business world through developing leadership, soft skills in entrepreneurs.
- Preparation of electronic catalogs containing information about products of small businessmen.
- Online marketing promotion and sales relationship building.

- Facilitating the marketing of entrepreneurs' products through the organization of divisional, district and national level markets and exhibitions.
- Providing services to improve the quality of products (certification, new technology, packaging....)
- Providing financial facilities, creating financial literacy and discipline.
- Conducting online programmes through class Z regularly.
- Orientation of youth for special projects that can be initiated using local raw materials and technology.
- Implementation of activities to solve business problems.
- Conducting surveys in relevant fields for businesses.
- Assisting selected entrepreneurs and projects in acquiring capital assets under the Development Assistance Project.
- Capacity development of officials.
- Regulation and supervision of the services provided by the institution.