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	Key matters discussed	Observations , recommendations/ directives by the Committee	Steps taken to rectify said shortcomings/ current status
01	Maintaining an Information Technology system and utilizing new technology. Absence of a system to issue fine sheets automatically, shortcomings regarding the control of stocks control, no updated Database in regard to offences referred to the court.	To submit a report detailing the overall programme along with dates of utilizing Information Technology to fulfill the services expected of the Department of Police and to improve the quality thereof as well as the utilizing modern technology for police investigations including the prevention of crimes and the obstacles or them, within a month.	A system to issue fine sheets automatically has been introduced and is currently operational within the Sri Lanka Police as Gov-pay and a computerized system is to be used to combined all Divisional Stores together by a central unit for stock controlling and procurement is being carried out to purchase a software for that. Action has been taken to introduce an information system with the facility to submit complaints online from home and the cost for this has been allocated from the budget for the year 2026. The following systems have been initiated and are currently being maintained as phases of the project. Ineed.police.lk system- - Lost Phone Police Complaint System telligp.police.lk system- - Initiated on 05.03.2025 and complaints are currently being received.

			119 system - Complaints and information received to 119 Police Emergency Telephone Number are entered into this system and forwarded to the relevant police stations and offices. In addition to above mentioned databases, following databases have also been implemented within the Sri Lanka Police. In addition to the above-mentioned databases, the following data systems have also been implemented within the Sri Lanka Police. 1. The computerized system called the inward & outward system is currently functioning at a few offices in the Sri Lanka Police, including the I.G. Office, the S.D.I.G. (Administrative) Office, and the S.D.I.G. (Support Services) Office, and actions are being taken to implement the system in all the offices of the Sri Lanka Police in the future. 2.A database which is designed with the access to record duty/leave and duty roster of the police officers online
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			3. The database contains information about suspects arrested in connection with narcotics by the Police Narcotics Bureau (pnb.imc.police.lk) 4.The computerized program to regulated the issuance of fuel at police filling station (full.imc.police.lk) 5. Database containing details of agreements signed by the Sri Lanka Police (imc.police.lk/agreement)
02	Matters contained in chapters 4.1 to 5.9 of discussion note of the meeting of the Committee held on 22.06.2016	Accordingly, the Committee directed the secretary to the Ministry of Public Security to discuss the matter with the Auditor General and submit a report in that regard before the 1st of July 2023.	
	4.1 Withdrawing from the Procurement Guidelines process.		Action is currently being taken in the procurement process to acquire goods and services by preparing specifications according to the requirements.
	4.2 Not recovering fines from a Police Officer who went abroad in violation of agreements		The amount of Rs. 489,720.00 due to the government by the accused, former Police Inspector D.K.R. Wijesinghe, has been credited to the Account bearing No. 7041433 of the National Police Academy on 18.03.2024.
	4.3 Weaknesses in implementing projects.		The matter regarding the cease of construction of the police station

			Ingiriya has been inquired in chapter 4.3 of discussion note of the meeting of the Committee held on 22.06.2016. This land containing with 05 acres 02 roods and 07.2 perches, is conveyed to the Sri Lanka Police by the Divisional Secretariat- Ingiriya on 21. 02.2024 and this land and buildings (Half constructed) are to be used to establish Police In-Service Training Unit and the Traffic Police Unit of Ingiriya Interchange of Ruwanpura Expressway and it is also proposed to build a security fence around the land. (Approved gross estimate for erecting the security fence around the proposed land is Rs. 2,642,290.54 and bids were opened on 07.04.2025.)
	5.1 Advances given out of the Police Reward Fund.		The advance amount of Rs. 2 million given to the Police Compassionate Fund from the Police Reward Fund has been accounted and settled as a grant on 23. 04. 2021, having considered the fact that the said amount had been utilized for the wellbeing of the police officers. Relevant officers have been informed to take necessary actions to avoid such matters concerning Funds in future.

	5.2 Unutilized equipment.		Measures have already been taken to issue 08 sets of vehicle search equipment to Police Special Tasks Force through issuing orders. Such equipment will be used in VIP security duties.
	5:3 Purchasing animals and animal feed from institutions without formal licenses.		All importers of animals are required to obtain a permit from the Department of Animal Product and Health for every import of animal products under the Animal Diseases Act No. 29 of 1982 and suppliers who do not submit the permit are not allowed to clear the commodities from Customs. Similarly, having obtained the International Veterinary Health Certificate for the animals to be purchased from the suppliers, such reports are forwarded to the Veterinary Research Institute of Sri Lanka. Based on those reports, the Technical Evaluation Committee performs evaluations and, subsequently, procurement process shall be carried out, based on the recommendations. Since the approval is granted only for the suppliers who have obtained annual permit from the Department of Animal Production and Health in terms of the

			provisions of Animal Feed Act No. 15 of 1986 in order to the import, distribution and sale of animal feed, the relevant items are not purchased from suppliers who do not hold such permits.
	5:4 Not maintaining the fixed assets register and a computer accessories and software register.		An instruction leaflet has been submitted to all Divisions providing guidelines on feeding data into the fixed asset software of Sri Lanka Police in order to document assets of the Sri Lanka Police. Comptroller General's Office is presently developing software to monitor government fixed assets. Required information of Sri Lanka Police has been submitted to the respective office.
	5:5 Purchasing 21 horses from a foreign company and horses dying.		Measures have been taken to recruit a Veterinary Officer to the Police Mounted Division for the post of Reserve Assistant Superintendent of Police (Veterinary) for a period of 05 years from 15.08.2023 to 14.08.2028. In order to review and maintain the health of the horses, necessary steps will be taken as per the results of the medical examinations conducted having collected blood samples of horses as per the instructions of Veterinary Officer. In addition to that, horses are allowed to roam outside the stables for a longer

			period on daily basis. Workshops have been conducted by the Veterinary Consultant of Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science, Peradeniya, to increase awareness among relevant officers and grooms on the fields of diseases that can affect horses, first aid in case of emergency, methods for providing first aid and measures to be taken to maintain the health of horses. Horses' are fed with imported horse feed, vitamins and medicines. The Police Mounted Division has been established at Olcott Mawatha, Pettah, Colombo. Since the hot climate in that area is not conducive to horses, it has been suggested that it is advisable to establish the Mounted Division on land in the Horana area, which has a temperate climate conducive to horses, and steps are being taken to acquire that land to the Sri Lanka Police. Having acquired the said plot of land owned by the Land Reforms Commission, to the government by the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms under the Interim Order 38(a) of the Land
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			Acquisition Act, as per the request of the Sri Lanka Police, its undisturbed possession was handed over to the Sri Lanka Police by the Divisional Secretary, Horana on 28.09.2017. A case has been filed against the acquisition of the land (Case bearing Writ No. 380/2017) and as per the judgment of that case, the Hon. Court has cancelled the Gazette Notification published under the Interim Order 38 (a) of the Land Acquisition Act in relation to the acquisition of this land and ordered that steps should be taken to acquire it under the normal procedure. Accordingly, the inquiry into claims under Section 09 of the Land Acquisition Act has been conducted by the Divisional Secretary, Horana on 14.07.2025 and further action is to be taken accordingly.
	5.6 Weaknesses/ irregularities of the procurement process of the Department of Police.		At present, when conducting procurement activities, a statement is obtained from the suppliers that there is no conflict of interest with the Sri Lanka Police and the relevant officials have been informed that they should always choose reliable suppliers.
	5.7 Grave Crimes		The Sri Lanka Police is implementing new strategies to

			minimize crimes. Under this, measures are taken to minimize the occurrence of crimes through new strategies such as raising public awareness, educating police officers by sending them to training courses on new crimes, deploying police officers in patrols duties to minimize crimes, introducing databases, introducing new technologies, etc., and steps are taken to inform and coordinate with other responsible institutions in obtaining information related to crimes.
	5.8 Traffic control and road safety.		Measures are taken under the guidance of the Traffic Headquarters to prevent road accidents. The Traffic Headquarters analyzes the factors affecting road accidents, provides instructions to the divisions regarding the measures to be taken to prevent them, monitors whether those activities are being carried out, and carries out relevant follow-up action
	5.9 Illegal tranquilizers being reported, seized and prosecuted.		Step have been taken to minimize the use of narcotics through measures such as conducting joint operations with the Sri Lanka Navy, increasing the present staff, expanding raids on drug traffickers to seize drugs

			that have spread across the country, implementing awareness programs in coordination with institutions relevant to rehabilitation process to minimize the use of drugs.
03.	Relative increase of crimes in 2022 compared to 2019.	The committee pointed out the importance of speedily removing the name of a person, who is included in the database as a suspect, after he is freed from the relevant offence and that it is necessary to include the offences pertaining to drugs and the offenders in connection with them in the database	Entering of data regarding criminals or suspects in the Criminal Records Division is done relevant to 05 data systems. Data is entered to the AFIS (Automated Fingerprints Identification System) only after the relevant accused are convicted by the court, and in case accused are acquitted by the court steps will be taken to erase data from the database. Information in AMIS (Arrested Monitoring Information System)CIMS (Criminal Information Management System), OCAU (Organized Crimes Analysis Unit) and AFRS (Automated Facial Recognition System) are used only for the purpose of investigation in case any individual is taken into custody for criminal charges again, and they are not considered as prior offences for police clearance reports and reporting to courts in any occasion, and no illegal harm is caused to an individual through

			these data systems. A data system called NIS (Narcotics information system) is maintained at the Police Narcotics Bureau for entering information of individuals arrested in connection with drug offences, and steps have been taken to daily update the database by obtaining information from law enforcement agencies and Police Stations located throughout the Island.
04.	Solving criminal cases.	The Committee directed the IGP to inform the Judicial Service Commission of all relevant circulars issued by the IGP so as to prevent inconvenience to police officers participating in judicial proceedings and improve the efficiency of the police service.	Steps have been taken to refer all circulars issued by the Inspector General of Police to the Judicial Service Commission in order to prevent inconvenience to police officers participating in judicial proceedings and improve the efficiency of the police service.
05.	Police Reward Fund.	The Committee directed the Police Department to update the payment orders from the Police Reward Fund in accordance with the current system and to increase the amount of prize money given to traffic police officers who contribute significantly to the Police Reward Fund.	Steps have been taken to update payments by IGP Circular No. 2778/2024(11) dated 01.03.2025.
06.	Staff	The Committee, which considered the vacancies in the Uniform Staff, inquired about a large number of	Measures have been taken to invite applications from the female officers in the post of

		vacancies in women officer cadres. The Committee paid its attention to the lack of proper follow up regarding complaints on children's and women's cases owing to the existence of vacancies in the women officer cadres.	Woman Senior Superintendent Police who have acquired qualifications as per the Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion for the post of W.D.I.G. and interviews are scheduled to be held in the future. After the said interview, steps will be taken to fill the vacancies existing in the post of W.D.I.G. Letters have been sent to the National Police Commission on 15.07.2025 to seek agreement of the National Police Commission for the purpose of obtaining approval of the Cabinet of Ministers to take further action necessary to grant promotions for the number of vacancies relevant to the percentage reserved on the seniority basis mentioned in the Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion from the vacancies existing in the posts of W.C.I. and below, and those vacancies are scheduled to be filled accordingly. By 08.08.2025, there are 4,040 vacancies in the post of W.P.C. and out of those, 500 are scheduled to be recruited in the future. The number of female officers that should be available in the
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			Children and Women's Bureaus and Divisional Bureaus for Children and Women of each police station has been mentioned in accordance with the grading of police stations, and accordingly, steps have been taken to fill the shortage of female officers existed in the Children and Women's Bureaus
		The Committee observed that the number of vacancies and excess positions cannot not be specified exactly owing to complexities such as the absence of a specific staff for police stations, granting promotions in a manner that is personal to some officers and filling of vacancies in the posts of support services from officers of the uniform staff. The Committee also observed that the Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion does not function properly.	The Department of Management Services has approved separate posts as respective ranks for the Regular Service, Police Special Task Force, and Police Support Services of the Sri Lanka Police and necessary steps are being taken to fill the vacancies existing in the posts of Police Support Services approved for the Sri Lanka Police. Accordingly, the vacancies in the posts of Support Services will not be filled from the uniform staff in the future. The Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion relevant to the gazetted posts of Sri Lanka Police is implemented effective from 19.07.2019 and the Scheme of Recruitment and Promotion from the post of Police Constable to the post of Sergeant Major has been approved by the National Police Commission on 24.04.2025.

			Steps are being taken to revise the Schemes of Recruitment and Promotion relevant to other posts (posts from Sub-Inspector of Police to Chief Inspector of Police and driver posts).
		The Committee has directed the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Security to make the necessary requests to fill the existing vacancies in the staff of the Audit Branch of the Police Department and report to the Committee.	The approval of the Committee of Officials appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers to review the recruitment process and cadre management in the public service to fill 226 vacancies out of the 533 vacancies of Development Officers approved for Sri Lanka Police, has been received (through the letter of the Secretary to the Prime Minister bearing No. PMO/RRPCM/2025 decision and dated 02.04.2025). Accordingly, requests have been made to the Director General of Combined Services to provide officers, and 28 of those officers are scheduled to be attached to the Internal Audit Branch.
07.	Inadequacies in the Police Central Armoury.	The Committee has ordered to expedite the disposal of expired tear gas shells and tear gas grenades, as well as expired weapons, in all police stations throughout Sri Lanka. Pointing out that the over-ordering of such items results in a waste of money, the Committee has also emphasized that steps should be	As of 04.10.2024, steps have been taken to bring to the Central Armoury and destroy expired tear gas shells and tear gas grenades issued to all police stations throughout the Island. Orders are being placed taking into account the expiration dates of existing stocks, and steps have been taken to most recently

		taken to prevent such occurrences in the future.	import 10,000 tear gas shells and 5,000 tear gas grenades.
08.	The use of tear gas according to international conventions and controlling the public during riots	The Committee also ordered the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Security to get directions from the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka regarding the rules, conventions to be followed for the use of tear gas according to international conventions and controlling the public during riots, to work accordingly and to submit a report thereof to the committee before 1st of June 2023.	Studies are being conducted on the methods currently used to disperse illegal gatherings and on the series of guidelines issued by the Human Rights Commission regarding the use of force by the police during public uprisings, and steps are being taken to obtain instructions from the Attorney General. A series of guidelines regarding the use of force by the police during public uprisings is to be prepared immediately after the instructions from the Attorney General are received.
09.	Lack of data system in Central Armoury and danger of retaining expired weapons		A software system was developed in 2024 and steps have been taken to manage this software system by the Information Technology Division since 06.12.2024.
10.	Maintaining the police service efficiently	For this purpose, the Committee pointed out the importance of having a system in place that would allow all relevant institutions, such as police stations, courts, prisons and the Department of Motor Vehicles, to be connected to each other.	In order to maintain the efficient operation of the police service, every police station has been connected to the internet via VPN and a direct connection has been provided to each police station for the AFIS (Automated Fingerprints Identification System), AMIS (Arrested Monitoring Information System) and CIAS (Criminal Intelligence Analysis System) data systems of the Crime Records Division. This

			has enabled police stations to manage data from within the police station. The Sri Lanka Police will also have the ability to connect with the E-Passport and E-NIC data systems to be implemented at the Department of Immigration and Emigration and the Department of Registration of Persons, and the PIMS - Prison Information Management System to be installed at the Department of Prisons, and the relevant institutions have agreed to this. The Ministry of Justice is taking the following steps in collaboration with the United Nations (UNDP – United Nation Development Project) to integrate all data available in the courts, and after the implementation of that project, the Sri Lanka Police will also have the ability to connect with the courts. Data Snapshot for the Justice Sector Rapid Digital Strategy for the Justice Sector
11.	Demerit points system for driving licenses	The Committee directed the Secretary of the Ministry of Public Security to take immediate steps to implement this Demerit Points System.	It is scheduled to take further action after discussing with the Motor Traffic Commissioners Office, Ministry of Transport, Sri Lanka Police, Attorney General's

			Department whether it is possible to implement this demerit system with the spot fine payment system currently implemented by the Information and Communication Technology Authority of Sri Lanka (ICTA) and to formulate a demerit system.
12	Implementation of language training programs for the police officers.	Pointing out that police officers face many difficulties when performing duties in Tamil-speaking areas and when interacting with tourists due to language problems, the committee emphasized the importance of providing language training to such officers.	The National Police Training Institute has implemented Tamil language training programs for police officers through 09 in-service training units covering all provinces across the island and through online methods. Under these programs, 2379 officers in the year 2023, 3079 officers in the year 2024, and 2675 officers have completed the Tamil language course so far in the year 2025. These language training programs are being implemented continuously by the National Police Training Institute.

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