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	Deficiencies identified by the committee	Actions taken in this regard and current progress
1	Regarding software projects of e-land , e-population ,e-births, marriages and Deaths , e-title	The e-Land project consists of 3 phases. Phase I has been completed and 09 offices have been established by the year 2024. Also, out of the 9 pilot offices that completed Phase II by December 2024, Phase II is currently being implemented in 6 offices. Phase II is scheduled to be completed by December 2025 Phase I is planned to be installed in 15 offices in 2025, and in addition, the necessary preliminary activities are currently being carried out to gradually install Phase I in other offices. (For a total of 50 offices) Action has been taken to commence to scan the documents of 18 offices in this year, and out of 50 offices, 21 offices have been scanned so far in 2023 and 2024. By the end of this year, 39 offices will be completed document scanning. Phase III work needs to be completed to issue copies of the certificates online. The necessary provisions were not received to acquire the necessary equipment for the software in 2024.2024
2	Method of using the National Identity Card number as the birth certificate registration number	Under the e-Population Registration Program implemented by this department, the issuance of National Birth Certificates for all births occurring after 2021.01.01 has now commenced in 23 districts. Similarly, the issuance of national birth certificates in the Trincomalee District is scheduled to commence on 26.08.2025 and the issuance of national birth certificates in the Ampara District is scheduled to commence on 27.08.2025. When issuing this national birth certificate, a unique identity number is issued for each birth in collaboration with the Department for Registration of Persons, and currently, certificates are issued with this unique number when issuing national birth certificates in the 23

		districts where this program is implemented.
		This unique identity number is the same as the National Identity Card number issued to the individual at the age of 15. This number will be mentioned on the National Birth Certificate as "My Number". A Memorandum of Understanding was also signed with the Department of Registration of Persons on 28.06.2022, pursuant to the approval of the Cabinet Memorandum No. MOD/CP/IA/170/2021 dated 10.11.2021, regarding the issuance of this unique identity number.

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