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Report

Committee on Public Petitions

There shall be a Committee on Public Petitions in terms of Standing Order 125 (1) of the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

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- 28 Hon. (Ms.) Ambika Samivel, M.P.
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The Committee on Public Petitions for the First Session of the Tenth Parliament submitted its first report (Parliamentary Series No. 250) to Parliament on 07th August 2025, and under the provisions of Standing Order 125(5) of the Parliament, the second report of the Committee is being presented on 05.12.2025 as follows.

As per the provisions of Standing Order 125(5) of the Parliament, this second report of the Committee on Public Petitions contains the recommendations made by the Committee and the special remarks observed in relation to the Public Petitions examined from 01st June 2025 to 31st August 2025.

The Committee on Public Petitions, through its first report, analytically presented the facts relating to the referral of Public Petitions to the Committee on Public Petitions for examination, role of the Committee on Public Petitions, functioning of the present Committee on Public Petitions, and procedure for dealing with petitions referred to the Committee, policy decisions adopted by the Committee, the special remarks observed by the Committee, as well as the other observations.

The first report of the Committee has been published on the official website of Parliament, and it can be downloaded in all three languages - Sinhala, Tamil and English through the link <https://www.parliament.lk/uploads/comreports/1759903869089793.pdf#page=1>

Thirty-nine petitions of the first report, for which recommendations were made under the provisions of Standing Orders 125(6) and 125(7), have been directed to nine ministries for further action.

The Committee on Public Petitions held 11 hearings from 01st June 2025 to 31st August 2025, and total of 65 petitions were considered. Among them, 25 petitions were provided with recommendations, relief was not recommended to 26 petitions and 14 petitions were adjourned for granting recommendations.

The details relating to those 65 petitions examined, the expected reliefs, the points observed by the Committee and the recommendations of the Committee are presented in the Annexure -I.

Role of the Committee on Public Petitions

If a public petition is submitted to Parliament by a Member in terms of Standing Order 30 of Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that public petition thereafter stands referred to the Committee on Public Petition. Then, the Committee proceeds with further action under Standing Order 125(3).

Standing Order 125(3) Where the Committee on Public Petitions is of the view that any petition discloses an infringement of a fundamental right or other injustice by a public officer or an officer of a public corporation, local authority or other like institution, the Committee on Public Petitions may inquire into such petition or refer such petition, to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman) to inquire and report.

This report contains the final decision of the Committee on Public Petitions regarding the petitions examined by the Committee **under the Standing Order 125(3)** and the points observed during the relevant examinations. **The report is being submitted by the Committee on Public Petitions to the Hon. Speaker to carry out further action under Standing Orders 125(6) and 125(7).**

Standing Order 125(6) When the report is tabled in Parliament, the Speaker shall take steps to send the contents of such report to the relevant Minister for his responses to the observations. The Minister's responses shall be forwarded to the Speaker in writing within a period of eight weeks.

Standing Order 125(7) Having received the responses from the relevant Minister, the Speaker shall forward a copy to the Chair and the Member of Parliament who has presented the petition whereupon the Committee shall consider the responses and, if not satisfied, shall request the Minister to take suitable remedial action. The Minister shall act as required within a month or else respond in writing as to why this is not possible, and indicate what alternative action he has taken to deal with the grievance under consideration.

Policy decisions adopted by the Committee during the hearing of petitions

- (i) Not to consider petitions regarding admission of students to any grade in government schools.
- (ii) If legal proceedings have been initiated either at the time of submitting the petition or subsequently in respect of the matters contained therein, such petitions shall not be taken up for consideration until the conclusion of those legal proceedings.
- (iii) A petition rejected/dismissed by the Committee shall not be reconsidered, except where the Committee decides that it should be reconsidered.
- (iv) Petitions regarding matters contrary to government policies shall be investigated without summoning the petitioner.
- (v) In a case where the Member of Parliament in charge of the petition is not a member of the Committee, the relevant Member shall be informed of the date scheduled for the consideration of the petition and granted permission to participate in the investigation.
- (vi) Not to take action on petitions submitted to the Committee for the first time regarding incidents that occurred fifteen (15) years ago.
- (vii) The hearing of a petition shall be concluded if the petitioner does not wish to proceed further.
- (viii) In the event that the ministerial report called on a petition is not received within three months, the petition shall be considered without such a ministry report.

Key observations made by the Committee

- (i) The Committee observed that, on several occasions, employees have been recruited to the public service based on policy decisions or on other matters through circulars which resulted in various issues faced by both petitioners and public servants concerning the grant and calculation of pensions, confirmation of service, and calculation of active service period. Given the increasing frequency of petitions regarding the payment of pensions to employees whose appointments were confirmed after the age of 45, the Committee noted that policy decisions should be made on this matter with the involvement of all relevant parties.

- (ii) The one-time ex gratia of Rs. 50,000/- for employees not entitled to a pension should be increased, and that the matter should be brought to the attention of the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development and the Department of Pensions.
- (iii) The public servants (petitioners) are being aggrieved due to protracted unresolved matters, stemming from the lack of timely action to address issues related to public servants, further petitioners are disadvantaged in the long run due to failure to implement decisions regarding salary increments in a timely manner.
- (iv) The petitioners are being aggrieved by the failure to provide such prompt corrections/solutions, however since there are no legal provisions to provide relief to the relevant petitioners when the Committee examines the petition and since it is not possible to provide the relief recommendation requested by the petitioners, the petitioners are nonetheless facing an injustice.
- (v) The petitioners (public servants) have been aggrieved due to the failure to issue disciplinary inquiries or disciplinary orders promptly.
- (vi) Problems arise in the formation/establishment of political victimization committees and the recommendations issued by them.
- (vii) Matters requiring investigation by the Criminal Investigation Department are being brought to light through petitions submitted by the petitioners, and that the special attention of the Inspector General of Police should be directed to such matters.
- (viii) Many problematic/contentious situations can be resolved by the statutory institutions by making appointments promotions, or conducting interviews transparently.
- (ix) Administrative circulars must be issued in a formal and precise manner, ensuring that ambiguous/unclear terms are avoided.

1) Petitions for which recommendations have been given

1. Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education

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01	<p>Mrs. S.L. Fathima Riana COM/PP/2025/182 Presented by Hon. (Mrs.) Thushari Jayasinghe, M.P. Investigated on 03.06.2025. Ministry Ref. : ED/2/29/3/2/255 Date : .19.12.2016</p>	<p>The petitioner had served as a volunteer teacher at CP/GM./Nawalapitiya Junior Girls' School since 1992, and in 1996 she sat for the competitive examination for the recruitment of trainee teachers in which she scored 110 marks. Although applicants with lower marks had received appointments, the petitioner was not offered an appointment and she received only a temporary appointment as a Teacher Assistant in the year 2015. This petition has been submitted by the petitioner requesting an investigation into this matter and seeking relief.</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner has failed to complete the teacher training within five years, a mandatory condition stipulated in the letter of appointment for the teacher assistant position, and thus has not satisfied the qualifications required for confirmation in that post</p> <p>(b) While the petitioner secured 110 marks in the 1996 Teacher Trainee Recruitment Examination, the manner in which the petitioner obtained marks during the subsequent interview has not been properly substantiated. Consequently, the precise reason for not granting a permanent teacher appointment in 1998 cannot be clarified. Furthermore, a trainee teacher appointment cannot</p>	<p>It was recommended that it is appropriate to submit a Cabinet Paper and obtain approval for the grant of a one-time ex-gratia payment.</p> <p>It was informed that when submitting the Cabinet Paper, it should be presented specifically for the petitioner and that her G.C.E. (O/L) and G.C.E. (A/L) educational qualifications, among others, should be examined in the process.</p>

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			<p>be recommended without the requisite documentation and adequate information</p> <p>(c) That the recommendations given by the Committee on Public Petitions of the 8th and 9th Parliament regarding the grant of Trainee Teacher Appointments have not yet been implemented.</p>	
02	<p>Mr. W.K.S. Rukshan COM/PP/2025/204 Presented by Hon. Mr. T.K. Jayasundara, M.P. Investigated on 03.06.2025. Ministry Reference : ED/04/60/04/02/SP/ 15/2024 Date : 31.12.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner, an officer in Grade III of the Sri Lanka Principal Service (SLPS), had received a transfer from Richard Pathirana College, Galle to Mahinda College, Galle. However, the Petitioner states that an officer of the same grade was recommended for that post, and consequently, his transfer was cancelled. The Petitioner has submitted this petition requesting that measures be taken to grant the transfer back to Galle Mahinda College</p>	<p>a)That although a transfer had been granted to Galle/Mahinda College, the said transfer was cancelled due to the fact that the then-Principal of Mahinda College, Galle officially informed the Ministry of Education in writing that, as per the service requirements, the petitioner's services as an officer of Principal Service Grade III could not be appointed for that post and that even though the petitioner subsequently</p>	<p>It was recommended that the petitioner, who is currently an officer of the Sri Lanka Principal Service Grade II, should be appointed to the vacancy in Sri Lanka Principal Service at Mahinda College, Galle which will arise due to the retirement of an officer in October 2025.</p>

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			<p>requested a transfer back to Galle/Mahinda College, the request was also rejected by the Ministry of Education as no vacancies existed for the Principal Service in that school at the time.</p> <p>(b) It is observed that the act of failing to hand over duties when reporting to a new place of work after receiving a formal transfer is an action contrary to the law and that the petitioner has been differently treated.</p>	
03	<p>Mr. G.M. Lionel COM/PP/2025/155 Presented by the Hon. Thanura Dissanayake, M.P. Investigated on 17.06.2025 Ministry Reference : ED/02/29/03/02/413 Date : 19.01.2022</p>	<p>The petitioner, a retired principal, submitted a petition to the Committee on Public Petitions of the 9th Parliament requesting to amend his retirement date as September 7, 2007, based on an extension of service granted and approved by the Public Service Commission until that date (2007.09.07). The Committee on Public Petitions, having investigated the matter, delivered a ruling that the period up to September 7, 2007, should be taken into account for the calculation of the petitioner's pension. The petitioner states that the aforementioned has not been implemented to</p>	<p>(a) That the petitioner had to retire on 30.04.2007 due to the delay of Wattagama Zonal Education Office in submitting the documents related to the extension of service requested by the petitioner to the Public Service Commission.</p> <p>(b) That he would have been able to serve until 07.09.2007 if the extension of service had been approved in due time</p> <p>(c) That there has been a financial loss due to the loss of</p>	<p>It was recommended that the salary (including allowances) that the petitioner should have been entitled to during the period from 30.04.2007 to 07.09.2007, when the service extension was received, be calculated and the monetary value of the difference in the pension received from 30.04.2007 to 07.09.2007 be paid to the petitioner.</p>

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		date and he requests that justice be done	principal allowance and other allowances resulting from the deprivation of the service extension. (d) That there will be no change in the pension due to the extension of service since the petitioner's service period has exceeded the maximum service period of 30 years applicable to the calculation of pension., (e) That the petitioner has suffered financial prejudice due to institutional delays.	
04	Mrs. S.A.S. Pradeepika Surendra COM/PP/2025/237 Presented by Hon. Gayantha Karunathilaka, M.P. Investigated on 25.07.2025. Ministry Reference : ED/05/152/03/01 /2017-29 Date : 31.05.2017	The petitioner states that she is a graduate in Fine Arts and has been working as a volunteer teacher at Mara/Vijitha Central Vidyalaya since 1997 without remuneration. She further states that she participated in the interview conducted by the Ministry on 18.01.2012 for the confirmation of volunteer teachers in their positions; however, despite fulfilling all the required educational and other qualifications, she was not granted an appointment. Accordingly, she has filed	(a) That she has not been selected for the post of teaching assistant due to insufficient G.C.E. (Advanced Level) results (b) That the petitioner has rendered a commendable service as a dance teacher to Mara/Vijitha Central College on a voluntary basis for a period of about 17 years from 1997 to 2014. (c) That the petitioner, who possesses many additional	It was recommended that the petitioner's educational qualifications be formally examined and the possibility to grant an appointment to the Sri Lanka Teachers' Service, Class III, Grade I, on a graduate basis be investigated and that necessary steps be taken to submit a Cabinet paper to obtain the necessary approval for granting an appointment to the

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		this petition seeking to be granted a permanent appointment.	qualifications in the field of dance, has currently completed the final year of the General Degree Course in Performing Arts (External) at the University of Fine Arts.	Sri Lanka Teachers' Service, Class III, Grade I, on a limited basis applicable only to the petitioner and without setting a precedent.
05	Mr. G. Jayatissa COM/PP/2025/319 Presented by Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardena, M.P., Investigated on 25.07.2025. Ministry Reference : HE/AD/03/ම.ප.ක.ස.(2021/515) Date : 17.08.2021	The petitioner states that he served as the Deputy Registrar in charge of the Postgraduate and External Studies Centre of the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka, and that he was suspended from duty on false charges with effect from 28.09.2012. Subsequently, he was retired upon attaining the age of 60 years. Although the arrears of salary were paid, the relevant allowances were not paid correctly. The petitioner has submitted this petition requesting that necessary steps be taken to provide him with provident fund benefits, statutory allowances, other (applicable) allowances, salaries, and associated privileges.	(a) That steps have been taken to call a report from the Commissioner General of Labour on the manner in which the petitioner's provident fund has been calculated, in accordance with a decision reached at the Committee on Public Petitions on 24.01.2024. b) That the calculations made regarding the petitioner's provident fund have been carried out in accordance with the law by the authorities of the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka, as per the report submitted by the Commissioner of Labour. (c) That the petitioner has rejected the cheque dated 31.12.2015 issued for the provident	It was recommended that necessary steps be taken to pay the relevant provident fund to the petitioner within a period of one month. It was further informed that this recommendation is the final decision of the Committee and that if the petitioner does not agree to accept the said amount, the petitioner has the option of resorting to legal action

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06	<p>Mr. Y.R. Vajira Premawardena COM/PP/2025/153 Presented by Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody, M.P. Investigated on 17.06.2025. Ministry Reference : HE/AD/03/ම.ප.ක.ස. (2024/1447) Date : 11.09.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner states that he served as a security guard at the University of Kelaniya and was denied both the promotion to the post of Security Officer Higher Grade and the post of Security Officer Supra Grade. He has submitted this petition requesting that necessary arrangements be made to grant those promotions.</p>	<p>(a) That the petitioner has been deprived of the promotions that he was entitled to in the years 1997 and 1998 due to poor attendance and unannounced absence from work and that although the University Administrative Authority informed the petitioner to apply for promotions on subsequent occasions, he did not apply for promotions and that although he applied for promotion in 2003 and received the recommendation of the Head of Department, he has not appeared for the interview.</p> <p>(b) Although the Political Victimization Committee has informed the petitioner that he should be promoted in accordance with the observations of the 2002 Committee, the relevant promotion has not been granted accordingly.</p>	<p>Considering the petitioner's 34 years of service, it was recommended to the Governing Council of the University of Kelaniya to provide some relief to the petitioner based on the decisions made by the Inquiry Committee established to provide relief to those who faced various problems due to political reasons.</p>

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Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development				
07	Mr. T.K.M. Madduma Bandara COM/PP/2025/214 Presented by Hon. (Dr.) V.S. Radhakrishnan, M.P. Investigated on 22.07.2025. Ministry Reference : MF1/02/20/EXC/02/PPC-01 Date : 06.06.2017	The petitioner states that Excise Licence No. F.L. 04 was taken over in accordance with the prescribed procedure by way of a licence transfer letter, under the supervision of the Commissioner General of Excise, and that the liquor business was continued from 01.01.2002. Subsequently, after the death of the transferor, the Assistant Excise Commissioner in charge of the Central Province sealed the petitioner's business premises on 03.08.2005. In this regard, the petitioner filed a writ application under Case No. CA 1491-2005 in the Court of Appeal, which ordered that the petitioner be permitted to continue the business until 31.12.2005. However, three months after the death of the said transferor, another person filed a case under the same Case No. CA 1491-2005, claiming ownership of the petitioner's excise licence. Although the Court of Appeal issued an order directing the Commissioner General of Excise to conduct a formal investigation into the alleged existence of two owners of the said licence, no proper or reasonable investigation was conducted. Thereafter, the Commissioner General of Excise issued letters stating that the petitioner is not entitled to the	a) That documents have been submitted stating that the original owner of the licence had transferred the licence to the petitioner on 21.06.2005 and that documents have been submitted stating that the original owner transferred the license to a person who is said to be his nephew on 10.07.2005, and that the original owner died on 17.07.2005. (b) That the Nuwara Eliya Police have taken away, under their hand, to that effect, the original copies of the affidavits which were in the custody of the Excise Department, stating that they were necessary for the case filed against the petitioner for submitting forged documents, and that it has been informed that those documents have been misplaced. (c) That it is observed that serious frauds have occurred in the process of	The recommendation made at the meeting of the Committee on Public Petitions held on 01.12.2022 to devise a mechanism to re-assign the license to the petitioner so as not to prejudice the new party who purchased the license was overturned and it was recommended that this incident be referred to the Inspector General of Police and an investigation be conducted through the Criminal Investigation Department.

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08	<p>Mrs. Rasika Krishanthi COM/PP/2025/151 Presented by Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody, M.P. Investigated 21.08.2025 Ministry Reference : MF1/11/01/03/2022/ Vol-1 Date : 17.07.2023</p>	<p>The petitioner has filed this petition seeking relief, stating that the petitioner's husband had taken a loan from a private bank on 21.07.2017, and that the petitioner's husband had subsequently died, and that a portion of the loan had been paid by that time, and that the bank had informed her that it would recover the remaining amount from the insurance company, yet the bank had informed her that another amount had to be paid, and that she had no permanent</p>	<p>Facts presented by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka</p>	<p>The petitioner was advised to file a complaint with the Insurance Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka and a recommendation was made to the Secretary to the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development to issue an order to the Central Bank of Sri Lanka to properly regulate the</p>

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		source of income to pay that amount.		activities of licensed specialized banks which are subject to the regulation of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Lands and Irrigation				
09	Mr. A. Edirisinghe COM/PP/2025/97 Presented by Hon. Heshu Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi, M.P. Investigated on 19.06.2025. Ministry Reference : MIWRM/AD/05/04/ ©.වෙ.(05-2021) Date : 28.10.2021	The petitioner has submitted the petition stating that the land provided by the Mahaweli Authority has been re-acquired and requesting relief as no relief has been received so far despite requests made to the relevant officials of the Mahaweli Authority for many years to provide alternative land in its place.	(a) It was decided that there was a possibility of providing an alternative land plot of 20 perches from the Mayurapura division, but the process of providing a plot of land to the petitioner has been stopped for now since the Mahaweli Authority has taken a policy decision to cancel all the selections made before January 2019. (b) The petitioner has been aggrieved for a long time due to the faulty actions of the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority	It was recommended that a land be allocated to the petitioner based on the valuation of 1992, considering the age of the petitioner, provided that, the successor will have the right to the land if there is a successor.
10	Mrs. M.G. Kanthilatha COM/PP/2025/173 Presented by Hon. Nishantha Perera, M.P. Investigated on 19.08.2025. Ministry Reference : MAO/AD/E11/1/34 Date : 18.10.2024	The petitioner, who has stated that she had been serving in the Department of Agrarian Development since 1994 and was permanently appointed as a Grade III Clerk in 2014, retired in 2023 with a permanent service period of 09 years, but is not receiving a pension due to the fact that her permanent service period is less than	(a) According to the Pensions Minute, a person must have served in a permanent pensionable post for a period of 120 months to be entitled to a pension. (b) The petitioner has not been confirmed in the service and for that	It was recommended after submitting the issue regarding the efficiency bar examination to the Public Service Commission that approval be obtained to release the petitioner from it, and to make her service permanent, and that a Cabinet

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		10 years, has requested in the petition that the necessary arrangements be made to grant a pension, taking into account her entire period of service.	she has to pass an efficiency bar examination, and there are provisions to exempt permanent appointees who are over 45 years of age from the relevant efficiency bar examination at the time of recruitment.	memorandum be prepared and submitted to obtain the approval of the Cabinet to grant pension rights to other officers who served in parallel posts of Management Assistant, Laborer and Watchman who expect to obtain pension rights under the same conditions as the petitioner.
Ministry of Health and Mass Media				
11	Mr. P. Lokuhetti COM/PP/2025/127 Presented by Hon. Devananda Suraweera, M.P. Investigated on 05.08.2025. Ministry Reference : MH/AD/I/C/COPP/ 04/2013 Date : 16.03.2018	The petitioner, a Public Health Laboratory Technician, has submitted this petition seeking redress for the injustice caused by the failure to grant his promotion to the Special Grade. The petition specifically requests the consideration for promotion to Class I by backdating it to January 1, 1988; and granting of salary increments due for the years 2006 and 2007. These claims are based on the grounds that a vacancy in the approved Special Grade existed at the time of his retirement, that he was the highest scorer in the 'Special Grade Promotion Examination - 2003,' and that it has been clearly established that the cancellation of the said examination in 2009 does not apply to the Provincial Councils."	a) The Southern Provincial Public Service Commission does not have the power to antedate the promotion of the petitioner to Class I of the Microscopists' Service to 01.01.1988, since the administrative activities of the Provincial Councils were commenced from 01.01.1990. (b) A Cabinet paper has been submitted for this purpose and advice has been sought and seniority lists have been called from all the Provincial Councils as per the instructions to	Based on the seniority documents and other information received by the Ministry of Health so far, it was recommended that a Cabinet paper be submitted to advance the date of his promotion to Class I of the Microscopists' Service to 01.01.1988, so that it would in personal to the petitioner and would not set a precedent.

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			<p>prepare a final seniority list, but they could not be obtained, therefore, it has not been possible to prepare an accurate seniority list for the year 1988.</p> <p>(c) Although the petitioner has more than 35 years of service and although he had passed the Examination for the Promotion to Special Grade -2003, the examination was later cancelled.</p> <p>(d) The order dated 27.05.2015 issued to the Secretary to the Ministry of Health by the Committee on Public Petitions, after examining the petition submitted to the 7th Parliament, to grant that right, has not been implemented further, the order dated 27.06.2019 issued to the Secretary to the Ministry of Health, after having examined the petition submitted to the 8th Parliament, to submit a Cabinet memorandum to fulfill the petitioner's request has not been implemented.</p>	

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12	<p>Mr. D.G. Sumanasekara COM/PP/2025/28 Presented by Hon. Rathna Gamage, M.P. Investigated on 05.08.2025. Ministry Reference : MH/AD/01/03/PP/ 04/2024 Date : 27.05.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner, who states that he was appointed as a Microscopist in the Department of Health from 01.07.1985 and was unable to report to work properly due to health reasons, has been considered to have vacated the service from 16.04.1987. He has submitted this petition requesting the granting of a pension, as it has also been informed that he was confirmed in service from 05.02.2007.</p>	<p>(a) The letter of Vacation of Post has been issued to the petitioner on 16.04.1987 due to his absence from service without notice, and he has not made any appeal, although an appeal in this regard could have been made to the Appointing Authority within a period of 3 months in accordance with sub-section 37:1 of section 48 of the Establishments Code, and further, although an appeal in this regard could have been made to the Public Service Commission within 6 months in accordance with sub-section 37:3 thereof, the said appeal was made on 25.07.1988 and the said Commission rejected the petitioner's appeal. (b) The Committee on Public Petitions has given its recommendation dated 07.11.2006 to reinstate the petitioner in service, 19 years, 9 months and 29 days after the</p>	<p>Since the petitioner is not entitled to a pension, it was recommended that the contributions to Widows' and Orphans' Fund deducted from the salary from the date of reinstatement, 05.02.2007 until his retirement on 12.06.2020 be paid to the petitioner.</p>

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			<p>letter of VoP was issued to him, and that reinstatement after such a delay is not in accordance with the existing legal provisions</p> <p>(c) Accordingly, although the petitioner, who reported to work in 2007, has continued to serve until 2020, there is no possibility of granting him a pension.</p>	
13	<p>Mr. W.W. Gamini Nanayakkara COM/PP/2025/107 Presented by Hon. Nandana Pathmakumara, M.P. Investigated on 05.08.2025. Ministry Reference : MH/AD/01/06/01/23/2017 Date : 29.01.2018</p>	<p>It is stated that he joined the service as a casual unskilled worker in 1971, that he served until 1986 after being confirmed in service, and that he was last employed at the Kalubowila hospital when he was retired in accordance with Public Administration Circular 121, paragraph 5.4, and that it has been decided to credit only Rs. 5000/- as gratuity to the bank account, since the period of service had been incorrectly calculated as 105 months at the time of claiming the pension, and that the petitioner has decided not to take that amount, and that copies of the letters in the personal file have also been handed over to various institutions and individuals for the</p>	<p>(a) Since the Director of the Colombo South Teaching Hospital had informed the Pension Department that the petitioner's salary records for the years 1984 and 1985 could not be found and that he had been interdicted, 2/3 of the petitioner's total service period from 1971 to 1985 has been calculated and only a service gratuity has been awarded to him, taking those facts into consideration.</p> <p>(b) That the letter dated 15.07.2011 of the former Director of Health of the Colombo South Teaching Hospital</p>	<p>Considering the petitioner's service period as 14 years, it was recommended to the Secretary of the Ministry of Health and Mass Media to properly prepare the necessary documents to entitle him to a pension and forward them to the Department of Pensions within a period of two months.</p>

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		purpose of preparing the pension, since the personal file is missing. This petition has been submitted requesting that the 14 years of service be correctly calculated and the pension be adjusted accordingly, since it is believed that the authorities of Kalubowila hospital deliberately failed to submit these documents to the committee appointed under Section 121 of P.A.C.	has confirmed that the petitioner was engaged in service for the entire service period from 02.05.1971 to 24.05.1985.	
14	Mr. D.H. Gamage COM/PP/2025/330 Submitted by the Hon. Asitha Niroshana Egoda Withana, M.P. Investigated on 22.07.2025 Ministry Reference : Pns/P5/01/33 Date : 21.08.2019	The petitioner's wife, who died on 20.12.2017, had worked as a staff grade nurse at the Lady Ridgeway Children's Hospital for 24 years until 01.04.1985 and retired. She then submitted the relevant application to the hospital on 18.12.2012 to receive the contribution to the Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Scheme. Although it was accepted that the documents were received, the payment of the pension was refused after her death, stating that the said documents had gone missing. This petition has been submitted by the 90-year-old petitioner requesting to pay his Widowers' and Orphans' pension along with the arrears.	a) The recommendation of the Committee on Public Petitions held on 25.04.2024 for the grant of a pension has not been implemented till now (b) The documents handed over to the Lady Ridgeway Children's Hospital on 18.12.2012 while the petitioner's wife was alive are missing (c) Pension Circular 02/2012 is applicable only to the officers who were appointed to a pensionable post before 01.08.1983 and who were in service on that date	It was recommended that, taking into account the previous committee recommendation that the 6% contribution to the Widowers' Fund be calculated from the date the petitioner's wife joined the service and necessary steps be taken to recover it from the pension payable in future, a policy decision be taken to provide relief to the petitioner without setting this as a precedent and that a Cabinet paper be submitted and approval be obtained in this regard.

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			<p>but were unable to express their preference for the Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Scheme within the prescribed period for expressing their preference for it. It is not meant to change the assent/dissent if it has been expressed earlier</p> <p>(d) The petitioner has been aggrieved due to the shortcomings of the hospital administration</p> <p>(e) The Committee on Public Petitions held on 25.04.2024 has recommended to the Department of Pensions to take necessary steps for the relevant recovery from the pension in this regard, and to make payments, but it has not been implemented to date.</p>	
Ministry of Urban Development, Construction and Housing				
15	<p>Mr. H.M.C.G.B. Herath COM/PP/2025/136 Presented by Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake, M.P. Investigated on 21.08.2025. Ministry Reference : MUDH/GA/PP/P3/PPC-Vol III</p>	<p>The petitioner states that although the land on which the Kurunegala Yatiwehera Housing Scheme had located was distributed to 102 land beneficiaries in 1996 after collecting the appropriate valuation value from the land beneficiaries and the deeds have not been issued</p>	<p>(a) The National Housing Development Authority has paid a sum of Rs. 8,500,000/- (Rs. 85 lakhs) to the Janatha Estates Development Board in the year 2007 as the assessed value of</p>	<p>The Janatha Estate Development Board was instructed to inform the National Housing Development Authority of the surcharge value, and the National Housing Development</p>

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	Date : 30.04.2025	to date. After 10 years another valuation was carried out and they have been informed that they will have to pay an additional amount, and that they cannot be issued deeds until then. And they have had to face numerous problems such as admitting their children to school due to the lack of deeds. In a situation where the Housing Development Authority has confused this issue, the petition has been submitted requesting that this land issue be resolved via the Divisional Secretary and land deeds be issued to the land beneficiaries for the amount already paid.	the land called Yatiweherawatte, Kurunegala, on the basis of the provisions received from the General Treasury, and the land beneficiaries have been informed to pay the remaining amount by deducting the amount of Rs. 40,000/- collected from the land beneficiaries as development expenses from the above assessed value. (b) A surcharge has been imposed on the National Housing Development Authority for the period from 2001 to 2007 due to the delay in paying the assessed amount to the Janatha Estates Development Board, and that no surcharge will be levied on the petitioners.	Authority was instructed to pay the surcharge value to the Janatha Estate Development Board as scheduled, and it was recommended to the National Housing Development Authority to take steps as soon as possible to initiate the initial steps in the process of providing land deeds to the land beneficiaries who will pay the assessment amount notified by the National Housing Development Authority.
16	Mr. P.V.Ratnapala COM/PP/2025/228 Presented by Hon. Sunil Handunnetti, M.P. Investigated on 05.06.2025. Ministry Reference : MUDH/GA/PP/P3/	This petition has been submitted requesting that the necessary steps be taken to grant the ownership of land number 18, Medagedarawatta, Hiththetiya, Matara to the petitioner.	(a) 23 plots of land in the Medagedarawatta Housing Project comprising 01 acre, 02 roods, 26.5 perches have been given to 23 beneficiaries by entering into an agreement	It was recommended that the petitioner be given the proposed alternative land and that it be assessed at the assessed value of the year in which he last resided in Lot No. 10 of the Medagedarawatta

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	PPC-Vol III Date : 28.08.2024		<p>with the Housing Development Authority and at the time of taking over this land, a part of the assessed value of the land has been paid from the decentralized fund and the remaining amount has been collected from each land beneficiary at the rate of Rs. 5000/-</p> <p>(b) The land of Lot No. 10 in the afore-said plan, where the petitioner resided, had been acquired by giving possession to another person through a sale agreement and by paying Rs. 5000/-, but that person himself has transferred the said land to the petitioner through a receipt signed in the presence of a lawyer without the approval of the Housing Authority and although the Housing Development Authority informed the petitioner through letters to accept the possession under the regularization of unauthorized property, he has not come forward for that purpose. It is stated that the ownership of the said land has been acquired by making the</p>	Housing Project and that steps be taken to provide an area of land equal to the size of that land. The petitioner was also informed to make the relevant payments and take possession of the land.

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			<p>relevant payments to the Housing Development Authority, later by those who made the above transfer and that although the possession of the land was with the petitioner, the ownership was not vested in him. Later, since the person who had acquired the ownership of the land died, the ownership of the land was acquired by his wife and children according to the judgment of the case filed by them.</p> <p>(c) Land slot No. 18 is a land acquired by petitioner's mother while paying Rs. 5000/- through a sale agreement and it was transferred to another person through a receipt signed in front of a lawyer without the approval of the Housing Authority, as mentioned above, and according to the 9th condition of the agreement entered into with the Housing Development Authority when transferring these</p>	

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			<p>lands to the beneficiaries, it is stated that the ownership of the land will be lost if the land is transferred to another person without the approval of the Housing Development Authority, and based on the receipt for the transfer of the land, a loan has been approved by the Housing Development Authority and a house has been built and they have settled there, steps are being taken at present to grant possession of the land under the process of regularizing the unauthorized property</p> <p>d) The positions taken by the Housing Development Authority in the cases of granting possession of Lot No. 10 to the original owner, granting possession of Lot No. 18 under regularization of unauthorized property and granting him a loan based on a receipt were observed as</p>	

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			problematic concerns here, and the petitioner has also committed certain shortcomings in taking steps to obtain possession of the land, but considering all the facts, it is evident that the petitioner has been subjected to injustice.	
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism				
17	<p>Mrs. G. Samanthi De Silva</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/340</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Dewananda Suraweera, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on: 21.08.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: FE/ADM/06/01/01/04/2023</p> <p>Date: 23.06.2025</p>	<p>In this petition, the petitioner has stated that she had lodged a complaint with the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment on 29.01.2024 regarding the non-payment of four month salary arrears by an institution in Saudi Arabia where she had worked and regarding the unfair intervention made in that regard by a foreign employment agency in Sri Lanka, and that the said complaint was scheduled to be investigated on 13.02.2024, but it was not investigated on that day and was postponed to another day, and she was later informed that the proceedings of the complaint would be concluded, and has requested that attention be paid to the injustices described above and to make arrangements for her to get the salary arrears.</p>	<p>a) That the employment agency has been notified to pay the first installment of the arrears due to the petitioner by 11.09.2025 and the second installment by 2025.10.11.</p> <p>(b) That, if the first installment is not paid by the due date, Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment has the authority to recover the said amount from the cash deposit placed by the agency with the Bureau.</p>	<p>The Committee recommended to the SLBFE to pay the salary arrears of the petitioner within two months as agreed by the SLBFE.</p>

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Ministry of Environment				
18	<p>Miss. P.M. Muthumenika</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/160</p> <p>Presented by Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Herath, Attorney-at-Law, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on: 07.08.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference : MWFRC/ADM/18 /6</p> <p>Date : 22.12.2022</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated that she last worked affiliated to the Range Forest Office, Kurunegala, of the Department of Forest Conservation and retired on 11.07.2018, and that although 4 years has passed since her retirement, she has not received her pension and any allowances provided by the government, has submitted this petition requesting that necessary arrangements be made for her to get her pension</p>	<p>a) That the petitioner has not fulfilled the conditions specified in Sections (iii) and (v) of the conditions to be fulfilled for confirmation of service as per Public Administration Circular No. 13/2005;</p> <p>(b) That the relevant contributions for the pension scheme have been recovered from the petitioner and those contributions have been remitted to the Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Scheme.</p> <p>(c) That all the officers who were appointed to the post of Forest Extension Officer and have now retired have been granted pensions.</p>	<p>It was recommended that a Cabinet Memorandum be submitted for paying the pension to the petitioner in person to the petitioner.</p>
Ministry of Trade, Food Security and Cooperative Development				
19	<p>Mr. H. A. Anura Priyashantha</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/148</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 07.08.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MT/ADM/03/PP/1)</p> <p>Date: 30.05. 2025</p>	<p>This petitioner has stated in his petition that he, who has been in continuous service in the post of Field Officer of the Gampaha Multi Purpose Cooperative Society Ltd. for sixteen (16) years from 01.11.2008 to date has not been confirmed in his post, and that he has got to know that the reason for not confirming him in his post is that at the recruitment interview, the file has not been submitted</p>	<p>(a) That the information of the formal interview that had been conducted on 13.12.2009 headed by the Secretary of the Cooperative Employees Commission for the recruitment to the post of Field Officer has not been forwarded to the Cooperative Employees Commission by the Cooperative Society</p>	<p>It was recommended that the petitioner's service be confirmed with effect from 13.12.2009, the deferred salary be paid to him, and the amount to recover the loss caused to him in contributing to the Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund due to the reduction of a portion of the basic</p>

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		<p>by the Cooperative Society to the Cooperative Employees Commission for approval, and has requested that steps be taken for him to get his service confirmed in the said post by the said institution and to receive a suitable salary.</p>	<p>(b) That the Chairman has agreed at examination of appeals conducted before the Commission on 04.09.2024 to submit a detailed report on the matters discovered during the investigation conducted at the Gampaha Multi Purpose Cooperative Society by the Cooperative Employees Commission of the Western Province on 21.08.2024 regarding the employees employed without due approval of the Commission and details of the employees who were not confirmed in service and the employees who did not meet the qualifications, but the Chairman has failed to submit the said detailed report although he agreed to submit it by 25.09.2024</p> <p>(c) That the petitioner has been in service for over sixteen (16) years without being confirmed in service due to the inefficient management of the Gampaha Multi Purpose</p>	<p>salary be paid back to him.</p>

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			Cooperative Society Ltd.	
20	<p>Mr. D. Dulith Asoka COM/PP/2025/187 Presented by Hon. Dinindu Saman Hennayake, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on: 07.08.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference : MT/ADM/03/PP/1 Date: 03.04.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated that six officers including the petitioner, who had fulfilled all the qualifications for the post of Measurement Services and Devices Inspector (Special Grade), appeared for interview for recruitment to the said post on 07.03.2018 with the approval of the Public Service Commission, and the results of the interview were sent to the Public Services Commission and after 06 years the Public Services Commission cancelled the said interview, and consequently they have lost their employment, and has requested that a formal investigation be conducted into this injustice and justice be served to them.</p>	<p>(a) The Public Service Commission was aware of the appointment of a panel of interviewers and of conducting of the interview, and that the title of the post and the relevant scheme of recruitment in effect at the time of the interview were those that had been approved on 29.10.2013.</p> <p>(b) It is not fair that the six officers who were qualified for the post of Measurement Services and Devices Inspector (Special Grade) and appeared for the interview on 07.03.2018 and were selected to fill the vacancies in that post were not promoted due to the delay that occurred on the part of the institutions in the process of revising the title of the post and in approving the recruitment procedure.</p>	<p>The Committee recommended that the interview that was held on 07.03.2018 for the recruitment to the post of Measurement Services and Devices Inspector (Special Grade) be made effective and the six (06) officers including the petitioner who appeared for the interview be given the post of Measurement Services and Devices Inspector (Special Grade), and that necessary action be taken to absorb the said officers to the post of Assistant Superintendent of Measurement Units, Standards and Services of the Sri Lanka Technological Service with effect from the date on which they fulfil the qualifications for the post of Measurement Services and Devices Inspector (Special Grade) in accordance with the interim provisions (i), (ii) and (iii) of the</p>

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				<p>amendments submitted by the Secretary of the Public Services Commission to the Secretary to the Ministry of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development on 27.05.2025 in relation to the Scheme of Recruitment for the post of Assistant Superintendent of Measurement Units, Standards and Services of the Sri Lanka Technological Service which was approved on 24.03.2025.</p>
21	<p>Mr. S.R.P. Gunawardena COM/PP/2025/238 Presented by Hon. Gayantha Karunathilleka, M.P. Investigated on: 07.08.2025 Ministry Reference: MT/ADM/06/04 Date: 06.01.2022</p>	<p>This petitioner has filed this petition stating that the land and building belonging to the petitioner's father, located at Agathuduwatte, also known as Mahagedarawatte in Kahaduwa, was leased out to the Elpitiya Cooperative Society in 1969 following a request made by the residents of the area and members of the Cooperative Society, and has requested that the Board of Directors of the Cooperative Society be</p>	<p>(a) That the Government has not carried out the due procedures in acquiring this land in a proper manner, and although the District Secretary of the Galle District had stated that the purpose of acquiring the land was a public purpose when acquiring the land, there is a contradiction in this statement since this land has not been used for</p>	<p>The Committee recommended to the Chairman of the Elpitiya Multi Purpose Cooperative Society that the government should pay a fair compensation to the petitioner, and the value assessed by the government in 1983 for the said land should be applied in determining the amount of compensation and the interest</p>

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		ordered to release this property to the petitioner's family members and that steps be taken to pay the outstanding lease rentals for the period from 1976 to date along with a fair amount of compensation.	such public purpose after acquisition. (b) The Government has not paid any compensation to the Father of the petitioner, who is the original owner of this land after the acquisition of the land by the Government, and after the death of the petitioner's father and his wife, no compensation has been paid to their children either.	applicable to the amount of compensation (interest at the rate of 3% from 23.04.1976 to 07.11.1979 and 7% from 08.11.1977 to date) be calculated from the date of acquisition of the land by the government up to now and be added to the amount of compensation and the entire amount be paid to the petitioner. Since the petitioner's mother has passed away by now, and since the children inherit the property after the death of their father, the petitioner was directed to submit an affidavit to the Committee indicating the agreement of all relevant parties that the above-mentioned amount of compensation will be shared equally between the petitioner and his siblings.
Ministry of Defence				
22	Mr. G.D. Nandana COM/PP/2025/29	The petitioner has stated that he became deaf due to an explosion that occurred while he was in active	(a) That it is not established that the petitioner was deaf or had any mental illness when he was	Since it is clear that the petitioner has been aggrieved, the Committee recommended that a

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	<p>Presented by Hon. Rathna Gamage, M.P.,</p> <p>Investigated on 09.07.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MOD/DEF/14/22/01/PPC/08</p> <p>Date: 04.10.2016</p>	<p>service in the Army and due to an assault by a Sergeant while on duty and that he left the service on 16.08.2005 on medical grounds and is unable to engage in any other occupation due to his disability that occurred while he was in service, and has requested in the petition that he be paid his salary and arrangements be made for his retirement from service and for any other relief, if any, that he is entitled to.</p>	<p>recruited to the Sri Lanka Army</p> <p>(b) That it is stated in the medical reports that there had been an assault, and that no investigation had been conducted regarding the officer who committed such an assault, and that the petitioners Commanding Officer has informed that the petitioner has developed a hearing impairment after the said assault as stated in the Commanding Officer's letter No. ශ්‍රීලංකා/පා/47/02/කෛෂ්/40 dated 30.11.2003.</p> <p>(c) That it has been recommended in the first inquiry made by the Committee of the Eighth Parliament on 07.09.2017 to the Commander of the Army that the petitioner be provided with maximum relief under the existing legal provisions.</p>	<p>Cabinet Paper be submitted and action be taken to obtain approval for providing relief to him.</p>
23	<p>Mr. M.B. De S. Jayathilaka (Mrs. G.J. Chamalka De Silva appeared on behalf of the petitioner as his legal representative as the</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated that her husband (the late Mr. M. B. De . S. Jayathilaka), who served as a Colonel of the Sri Lanka Army, was given compulsorily retirement</p>	<p>(a) That this petition had been referred to the Committee on Public Petitions of the Ninth Parliament and this matter was brought to the atten-</p>	<p>The Committee recommends that the petitioner be given the due promotions and the pension applicable to promotions.</p>

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	<p>petitioner is deceased)</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/280</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Devananda Suraweera, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 09.07.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MOD/PAC/05/PPC/2022/03</p> <p>Date: 01.04.2022</p>	<p>from 31.03.2012 due to allegations made following the investigation into the safe house in Millennium City used by the Intelligence Units, and that this retirement was carried out on political and personal vengeance and that her husband died on 31.12.2023, and has requested in the petition that her husband be promoted to the rank of Brigadier of the Sri Lanka Army and be granted the relevant pension.</p>	<p>tion of the then President by letter dated 20.11.2023</p> <p>(b) That, in a situation where the same allegation was made against two officers of the same state institution, the lower-ranking officer was convicted and the higher-ranking officer was released with the approval of the then President</p> <p>(c) That it is an unfair decision to retire the petitioner on 31.03.2012 while 7 years of service was remaining.</p>	
Ministry of Buddha Sasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs				
24	<p>Mr. R.H.A.M.J.G. Karunaratne</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/230</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Thanura Dissanayake, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on: 19.08.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: CA/1/1/15/2/2 (i)</p> <p>Date: 28.01.2022</p>	<p>This petitioner has stated that he has served in the Department of Archaeology as a daily wage worker for 06 consecutive years from 2009 to 2014 and that his employment has now been terminated verbally and has requested that he be confirmed in service as per Public Administration Circular No. 25/2014 and that he be reinstated with arrears of salary and service privileges.</p>	<p>(a) That a request has been made to submit a Cabinet Memorandum for giving permanent appointments to 16 employees including the petitioner, but no further action has been taken in that regard.</p> <p>(b) That the petitioner had not been confirmed in service at the time of giving permanent appointments to employees recruited on casual, substitute and ad hoc basis in 2009 as the number</p>	<p>The Committee recommended that the petitioner deserves being given a permanent appointment and that a Cabinet Memorandum be submitted for that, and that it should be personal to the petitioner and that this decision should not be made a precedent.</p>

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			of days he had reported to work was 03 days in short of the stipulated number of 180 days.	
Ministry of Justice and National Integration				
25	<p>Mr. Nuwan Salgado COM/PP/2025/181</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Mrs. Nilanthi Kottahachchi, M.P., Attorney-at-Law.</p> <p>Investigated on: 03.06.2025.</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MOJ/E14/ම.පෙ.ක.ප./2022</p> <p>Date: 25.06.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated that while he was serving as a Sergeant in the Department of Prisons since 2014, charge sheets were issued to him in 2017 on false charges and disciplinary orders were issued in 2022 and he was transferred 08 times during that time, and that the appeal submitted by him to the Public Services Commission was rejected, but the Administrative Appeals Tribunal ruled him not guilty, and that, although he appeared for the competitive examination for promotion to the post of Jailor - Class II on 18.02.2017, he did not get the results of that examination, and that he was not given the opportunity to sit the said examination in 2022 due to the disciplinary orders issued against him, and has requested that he be promoted to the post of Jailor - Class II with effect from 18.02.2017 and that he be paid the arrears of salary he is entitled to and other benefits as the Committee deems appropriate.</p>	<p>(a) That recruitment to the post of Jailor is scheduled to be conducted by July 2025, and that in terms of the Scheme of Recruitment, 25% of the number of vacancies will be reserved for giving promotions based on seniority, and that the Scheme of Recruitment has been submitted to the Public Services Commission for approval and that the petitioner has the opportunity to apply for that.</p> <p>(b) That it is clear that the petitioner has been wronged, and that he has been discriminated as a public servant and that his fundamental human rights guaranteed by the Constitution have been violated.</p>	<p>The Committee recommended that the attention and intervention of the Commissioner General of Prisons should be drawn to this matter, and that the petitioner should be given an appointment to the post of Jailor in the scheduled recruitment to be made in July 2025.</p>

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2) Petitions for which relief was not recommended				
Ministry of Justice and National Integration				
26	<p>Mr. Sanjaya Hewa Bambarendage COM/PP/2025/83 submitted by Hon. Lasith Bhashana Gamage, M.P. Investigated on 03.06.2025. Ministry Reference : MOJ/E14/ම.පෙ./2022 Date : 26.01.2023</p>	<p>The petitioner stated that he joined the service as a prison guard on 12.10.2009, appeared for the Open Competitive Examination for the Recruitment of Grade II Jailors to the Prisons Department in 2019, and that he passed the examination and faced the interview held on 20.11.2019 as an applicant with more than 10 years of work experience and two degrees namely; a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts in Sociology and Mass Communication. He was not appointed when the appointments were given in the year 2021. He has submitted this petition requesting that the necessary arrangements be made to grant him the said appointment.</p>	<p>a) That the petitioner obtained the following marks in the interview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sportsmanship 5/5 • Technical Knowledge 0/5 • Character Development and Leadership 2/5 • Subject-related Activities 3/5 • Interview Preparation 5/5 <p>Accordingly, the petitioner has obtained 15 out of 25 marks and the method of obtaining the marks is correct.</p> <p>(b) That an external recruitment is to be made for the post of Assistant Prison Superintendent in the future and that a degree is considered as the basic qualification for it and that the petitioner has the opportunity to apply for it.</p> <p>(c) That the petitioner has been given the maximum marks that can be given in the interview and that this is confirmed by the reports submitted by the officers and that it is not observed that the</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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			petitioner has been treated unfairly.	
27	Mr. K.A. Lalith Kumara COM/PP/2025/103 Submitted by Hon. Nandana Pathmakumara, M.P. Investigated on 03.06.2025. Ministry Reference : D7/10316 Date : 31.01.2023	The petitioner stated that he joined the Prisons Department as a casual warden on 15.10.1996 and after basic training, was appointed to the post of permanent warden. He was transferred to the Kalutara Prison in 2015 and served there, and that he went abroad for personal reasons on 23.02.2019, where he and several others were arrested and remanded after returning to the country. He was released about five months later and when he went to the institution to report for duty, he came to know that a notice of vacation of post had been issued. He has filed this petition requesting that necessary arrangements be made for his reinstatement or retirement.	(a) The Commissioner General of Prisons, who is both the appointing authority and the disciplinary authority, has informed the petitioner on 08.02.2019 to report to work immediately since he has not reported to work without submitting a medical certificate or giving a formal notice since 30.01.2019. (b) The appeal submitted by the petitioner on 25.08.2019 for reinstatement has been rejected by the Commissioner General of Prisons on the grounds of going abroad without informing and without obtaining formal leave approval as well as for the above reasons and also the appeal submitted to the Public Service Commission has also been dismissed. (c) It is not observed that any injustice has	The requested relief was not recommended.

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			been done to the petitioner.	
Ministry of Urban Development, Construction and Housing				
28	Mr. W.G.P. Epa COM/PP/2025/49 Submitted by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P. Investigated on 05.06.2025 Ministry Reference : 2/1/14/115(1) Date : 07.06.2016	The petitioner, stated that he served as an officer-in-charge of the building construction site at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Ruhuna as a Technical Services Officer under the Government Buildings Department, and was transferred to the Karapitiya New Hospital site due to constant allegations he made with regard to the irregularities in the financial transactions taking place there.He served at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Ruhuna until he was released from his financial responsibility, and he was later terminated by a police order, issued a vacation of post notice and a case was filed in the Magistrate's Court and he was acquitted of the relevant case. Although he appealed to the Public Service Commission in this regard, no investigation was conducted. The petitioner has filed this petition seeking the granting of service rights and pension.	a)That the Director General of Buildings has transferred the petitioner to the Karapitiya New Hospital site on 02.03.1983 and taking note of that letter, the Site Design Engineer of the University of Ruhuna has also issued a letter of release to the petitioner on 07.03.1983. (b) That the case filed in the Magistrate's Court for trespassing on the site, for he had reported for duty at the previous site without reporting for duty at the new site was dismissed. (c) A letter of vacation of post has been issued on 22.11.1983 to be effective from 01.07.1983 (d) The appeal made to the Public Service Commission against the order of vaction of post has been rejected (e) Under the provisions of the Pension Minute, any officer who has been	The requested relief was not recommended.

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			<p>deemed to have vacated their post is ineligible for pension benefits.</p> <p>(f) That It is not certain that assent has been expressed for the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund and, even if the assent had been expressed, no sufficient contributions have been collected for a sufficient period of time, since it has been considered that he left the service from 01.07.1983.</p>	
29	<p>Mrs. Padma Malani Mahagamarachchi COM/PP/2025/301 Submitted by Hon. Dharmapriya Wijesinghe, M.P. Investigated on 05.06.2025. Ministry Reference : MMWD/EST8/ Public Petition Date : 30.03.2017</p>	<p>The petitioner has filed this petition, stating that the only house belonging to the petitioner, which was located at No. 204/16, Bloemendhal Place, Colombo 13, and was valued then at about Rs. 3.5 million, was taken over by the Colombo Municipal Council and was demolished . The petitioner did not receive any of the electrical appliances, household appliances, etc. that were in it. She received a compensation of Rs. 61,784.74 for the land on which the house was situated, but she had not received a compensation or an alternative house for</p>	<p>a) As per the compensation order issued under Section 17 of the Land Acquisition Act, a compensation of Rs. 61,794.72 and an amount of Rs. 17,602.67 as interest thereon has been paid for the land portion.</p> <p>(b) In the process of acquiring the land, the policy of the Urban Development Authority has been to provide a residence to the persons who were residing in the house at the time of the acquisition, in lieu of the loss of their residence, and the petitioner has not</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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		<p>the demolished house. The petitioner has filed this petition requesting that she be given a house or a fair compensation.</p>	<p>been provided with a house because she was not residing there at that time</p> <p>(c) It is observed that compensation of Rs. 61,794.72 and the interest Rs. 17,602.60 as per the valuation submitted by the valuer for the Land Lot No. 37, has not been paid only for the land but for both the land and the house, so the petitioner cannot be provided with a house.</p>	
30	<p>Mr.P.U.D. Perera COM/PP/2025/144 submitted by Hon. Asitha Niroshana Egoda Withana, M.P. Investigated on 05.06.2025. Ministry Reference : MUD&H/ADM/02/ 05 Date : 18.03.2021</p>	<p>The petitioner, stated that he joined the service of the Kolonnawa Government Factory on 02.05.1983, and was forced to retire 3 years before the scheduled time due to various unfair actions taken by its officials. And that he had to return the government house he was residing in, and therefore, by living in a rented house, suffered a financial loss. This petition has been submitted requesting that he be granted the salary, arrears related to promotions and salary increments for the 3 years that he lost due to his early retirement.</p>	<p>a) That the petitioner has voluntarily retired at the age of 57 years and he requested for the retirement.</p> <p>(b) That the petitioner should hand over the house he was residing in since a retired person must return the government houses within a period of 03 months.</p> <p>(c) That the petitioner cannot be paid salaries and salary increments as requested for a period not served.</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Lands and Irrigation				
31	Mr.R.M. Hemachandra Bandara COM/PP/2025/74 submitted by Hon. K.V.Samantha Vidyaratna, M.P. Investigated on 19.06.2025. Ministry Reference : 2/15/27/195 Date : 18.01.2024	The petitioner stated that he served in the Land Commissioner's Department for 36 years from 1975 and was promoted to the position of Assistant Land Commissioner (Departmental) of the Uva Province. He got retired on 01.07.2011 upon reaching the age of 60, and served in the same position on a contract basis for 05 years at the request of the Uva Provincial Council. His salary and pension have been adjusted to the MN 07 salary scale although the SL 01 salary scale is applicable as per Public Administration Circular 06/2006 This petition has been submitted requesting that the salary, pension and other privileges be granted according to the SL 01 salary scale, pertaining to the position.	(a) The petitioner has retired from 01.07.2011 and there is no provision to prepare the petitioner's salary and pension as per SL-1-2006 since the Department of Management Services has approved the salary scale SL-1-2006 for the relevant post of the Uva Provincial Council from 01.01.2013.. (b) The petitioner has been paid salary as per the salary scale SL-1 - 2006 for the period after 01.01.2013 during which he served on a contract basis. (c) Although the petitioner was offered the post of Assistant Provincial Land Commissioner in the year 2010, the post was backdated to the year 1994. (d) The petitioner has been paid the relevant arrears of salary up to the year 2009 and he has been treated fairly to a considerable extent institutionally.	The requested relief was not recommended.

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32	<p>K.G. Rajasinghe COM/PP/2025/138 submitted by Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake, M.P. Investigated on 19.06.2025. Ministry Reference : IWRM/AD/DO/02/ ©.෧෧./09/2016 Date : 27.02.2017</p>	<p>The petitioner, states that he served as a Research Assistant in the Soil Utilization Division of the Irrigation Department from 10.02.1969 to 25.09.1980, went abroad on unpaid leave, returned and served from 26.02.1990 to 01.08.1990, and subsequently, due to illness, he did not report to work. He was treated as having vacated the service by a letter dated 22.11.1990. He applied for retirement under Public Administration Circular No. 44/90 dated 18.10.1990, which allowed retirement for those with more than 10 years of service. He has filed this petition requesting the grant of a pension in accordance with the said circular.</p>	<p>(a) He has been considered as having vacated the service from 23.09.1983 since he has taken no pay foreign leave for 03 years from 09.22.1980 to 22.09.1983 and has not reported back to work after the expiry of the no pay leave period. The petitioner appealed to the Public Service Commission and the period of absence from service was considered as no pay leave and he was reinstated in service from 22.01.1990 as per the recommendation given by the Public Service Commission.</p> <p>(b) He has not reported back to work from 12.08.1990 and has been considered as having vacated the service and the appeal made by the petitioner to the Public Service Commission at that time has been rejected.</p> <p>(c) As recommended by the Committees which comprised of the Director General</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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			<p>of the Department of Management Services and the Director General of Establishments, the ex gratia payment referred to in Section 44 of the Pensions Minute should be interpreted in conjunction with Section 20 (1) of the Pensions Minute. The said recommendation was submitted for the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers. A person whose service has been terminated on the grounds of the vacation of post, resignation or dismissal cannot be entitled to the ex gratia payment, and that the decision shall be effective from 06.01.2009, and that it has been granted in accordance with the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers dated 12.10.2022.</p> <p>(d) Accordingly, the petitioner whose service has been terminated on a notice of vacation of the post cannot be entitled to the ex</p>	

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			gratia payment.	
33	<p>Mr. D. Samantha Peramunugama COM/PP/2025/147 Submitted by Hon. Ruwanthilake Jayakody, M.P. Investigated on 19.06.2025 Ministry Reference: MOI/AD/05/04/ ©.෧෧..(02-2023)</p> <p>Date : 07.11.2023</p>	<p>The petitioner has been appointed to the position of Record Keeper Grade II of the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority on 15.06.1988 and promoted to Record Keeper Grade I on 23.05.1995. In 2008, he has been unfairly transferred to the Thambuttegama Residential Management Office.</p> <p>During his period of employment there, he was diagnosed with a neurological disorder and he had been receiving medical treatment, at which time the administration issued a letter asserting that he had vacated the service. Although he had presented his excuses for his absence verbally and in writing, justice had not been served. Therefore, he has resorted to legal action.</p> <p>The High Court, on 11.06.2014, under Case No. 35/2012, ordered that the petitioner be reinstated for a period of 42 months from 16.11.2008 to 15.05.2012 with a payment of Rs. 362,040/-. Despite this, Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority has insisted that an affidavit be submitted stating that the reinstatement payment of Rs. 362,040/- was not required. According to him, he has had to sign it and secure</p>	<p>(a) Based on the facts of his absence from work and negligence of duty in 2008, a letter has been issued on 06.11.2008 declaring him to have vacated the service. In response, the petitioner has filed a case at the Anuradhapura Labour Tribunal, and later appealed to the Anuradhapura High Court seeking payment of the salary arrears. Accordingly, a Court decision has been issued ordering that the petitioner be reinstated and he be paid Rs. 362,040.00 as arrears of salary. Following the said decision, an appeal has been filed with the Supreme Court by the Legal Division of the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority on 23.07.2014 against that decision.</p> <p>(b) Following a discussion with the then Minister in charge of the subject, the petitioner has submitted an affidavit stating that he voluntarily waived the amount</p>	The requested relief was not recommended

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		<p>the job because he was un-employed. Consequently, he has been deprived of the salary increments and promotions.</p> <p>Hence, this petition has been filed seeking payment of the amount of Rs. 362,040/- ordered to be paid by the High Court, the salary increments of 5 years that have been deprived of, and the promotions that he is entitled to, for his 34 years of service.</p>	<p>of Rs. 362,040.00 which was to be paid by the institution as arrears of salary and requested to be reinstated.</p> <p>Accordingly, the petitioner has been reinstated.</p> <p>(c) The Mahaweli Authority has withdrawn the appeal filed with the Supreme Court in agreement with the petitioner.</p> <p>(d) Although the said Minister in charge of the relevant subject changed, the petitioner has not sought any relief from the subsequent Ministers in charge of the subject.</p> <p>(e) The petitioner had been promoted to the post of Transport Officer Grade II by the time he retired.</p>	
34	<p>Mr. W.A.Jayasena COM/PP/2025/180</p> <p>Submitted by Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, (Attorney-at-Law), M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 19.06.2025</p>	<p>A permit for Lot No. 1002 of the final village plan No. 778/08 in the Chandrika Wewa Division has been secured in his wife's name, and a house has been constructed on the property and the petitioner was in possession of the land since 2014.</p>	<p>(a) As it is unlawful to transfer land owned by the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority to a third party, actions have been taken to acquire the land by the government in accordance with the procedures set out in</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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	<p>Ministry Reference: MOI/AD/05/04/ 02.02. (02-2024)</p> <p>Date : 04.07.2024</p>	<p>Subsequently, to cope with the mental anguish caused by the death of his wife and child, he has verbally transferred the relevant property to another person and shifted to Colombo area, but he has been unable to return home due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Later, upon his return, the petitioner has found that his house had been transferred to the name of the son of the individual to whom it had been handed over.</p> <p>However, the permit has currently been cancelled and is in the possession of the government. Although complaints were lodged with the relevant authorities and the Police, no proper action has been taken. However, since there is evidence establishing ownership, a petition has been filed requesting that the land along with the house be returned to the petitioner.</p>	<p>the Land Development Ordinance.</p> <p>(b) It was brought to the attention of the Committee that the proposed land had purportedly been alienated by the petitioner through a promissory note; however, the petitioner has made a statement that he had not signed the promissory note and that the signature appearing thereon was not his own.</p> <p>(c) The Embilipitiya Special Crime Investigation Division has obtained an analyst's report through the court on 06.05.2022 to verify whether the signature mentioned in the relevant promissory note is petitioner's signature or a forged signature. Accordingly, the report has confirmed that the signature mentioned in the promissory note is the signature of the petitioner.</p>	
35	<p>Mr. S.A.Solitha Subhasinghe COM/PP/2025/70</p> <p>Submitted by Hon. Darmapriya</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated that he had been imprisoned by the Assistant Commissioner of Agrarian Development</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner has been initially appointed as a Samurdhi Officer and has joined the service of the</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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	<p>Wijesinghe, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 19.08.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: Agri/AD/E11/1/53</p> <p>Date : 28.04.2025</p>	<p>in 2009 on charges of submitting a forged educational certificate. He has also stated that the Commissioner had informed the court that the original copy of the forged education certificate requested by the court was not available, and the Assistant Commissioner of Agrarian Development had withdrawn the case after 8 years. He has also added that the Magistrate has ruled that this investigation had been conducted irresponsibly, and that the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka has also ruled that human rights have been violated in this regard.</p> <p>The petitioner requests that the necessary arrangements be made to grant him the pension, taking these matters into consideration.</p>	<p>Department of Agrarian Development as a Govi Sevana Officer since 1st March 1996.</p> <p>Pursuant to the Cabinet decision dated 16.09.1998, 3500 Govi Sevana Officers who had been attached to the said Department since 03.05.1999 have been appointed to the post of Agricultural Research and Production Assistant.</p> <p>Accordingly, the petitioner has also been appointed to the post of Agricultural Research and Production Assistant.</p> <p>(b) When examining the qualifications for appointment to the said post, it has been found that the result sheet bearing No. 3143872 of the G.C.E. (O/L) Examination in the year 1980 submitted by the petitioner contradicted the result verification sheet issued by the</p>	

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			<p>Department of Examinations. Accordingly, his service has been terminated.</p> <p>(c) The report prepared in accordance with Appendix 3 of Part II of the Establishments Code and his personal file submitted by the petitioner to the Public Service Commission have been forwarded to the Public Service Commission for investigation purposes into the appeal. Subsequently, his appeal has been rejected on the grounds that the petitioner has submitted a forged certificate for the recruitment interview for the above post, that the Commissioner General of Examinations has certified it as a forged certificate and that he has not fulfilled the required qualifications relevant to the post.</p> <p>(d) The appeal filed by the petitioner and</p>	

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			<p>a group of others to the Court of Appeal has been dismissed.</p> <p>(e) It has been recommended that an investigation be conducted into the complaint submitted to the Human Rights Commission by 85 complainants, including the petitioner, to determine the extent to which each complainant is responsible for the examination certificates produced. Accordingly, it has been recommended that those found not guilty be reinstated.</p> <p>(f) In response to the letter sent by the petitioner to the Presidential Secretariat regarding the implementation of the recommendation of the Human Rights Commission, it has been informed that the concerned relief cannot be granted.</p> <p>(g) The petitioner has submitted an appeal to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, which was subsequently dismissed.</p>	

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			<p>(h) The Cabinet Memorandum submitted regarding relief for Agricultural Research and Production Assistant Officers terminated for submitting forged certificates states that such relief cannot be granted, as it would set an adverse precedent for the public service and could encourage individuals to engage in irregular practices to gain entry into the service. The Memorandum further recommends that appropriate legal and disciplinary action be taken against those who commit such offenses.</p> <p>(i) The petitioner has stated that any error in educational certificates issued by schools is the responsibility of the individuals who prepared them, and that the basic qualification for the post of Samurdhi Officer is to successfully pass five subjects at the Ordinary Level Examination, as indicated in the letter dated 16.09.2006,</p>	

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			<p>issued by the Secretary to the President. In this regard, the Commissioner General of Agrarian Development filed a case against him in the Negombo Magistrate's Court, which continued for nine years before the Commissioner General ultimately withdrew the case.</p> <p>(j) The petitioner's service has been terminated on the grounds that his educational certificate was defective. He has also not fulfilled the basic educational qualifications required for the position. Apart from that, it has also not been proved that he has not committed any offence in submitting this certificate to the Department of Agrarian Development.</p>	
36	<p>Mrs.W.G. Anulawathie COM/PP/2025/193</p> <p>Submitted by Hon. K.V.Samantha Vidyarathna, M.P.</p>	<p>The Petitioner says that the period from 1980 to 1994 has not been considered for her pension calculation since the administrative authority of the Bandarawela Regional Agricultural Research and</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner has worked as a casual labourer at the Bandarawela Regional Agricultural Research and Development Center</p>	<p>It was recommended to the petitioner to collect the gratuity from the Department of Pensions. However, the requested relief in the form of pension entitlement was not</p>

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	<p>Investigated on 19.08.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: Agri/AD/E11/1/56</p> <p>Date : 16.04.2025</p>	<p>Development Centre has not collected contributions from the petitioner for the Employees' Provident Fund for the concerned period from 1980 to 1994.</p> <p>Therefore, the petitioner has requested that the pension be adjusted by collecting contributions for the relevant period or by combining casual and contract service periods</p>	<p>of the Department of Agriculture from 1980 to 1984. Subsequently, after being out of service for 24 years, she has resumed duties in the labour service on a contract basis, effective from 12.09.2008.</p> <p>She has been appointed to a permanent pensionable post on 30.12.2014 under the provisions of Public Administration Circular 25/2014 (i). Moreover, she has already reached 54 years of age at the time of receiving the permanent appointment. Accordingly, the petitioner has been sent on retirement on 04.07.2020 upon attaining the age of 60 years.</p> <p>(b) Permanent appointments have also been granted to workers who have exceeded the age of 45 years while employed as contract workers in terms of Public Administration Circular Nos.</p>	<p>recommended.</p>

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			<p>25/2014 and 25/2014(i).</p> <p>(c) Two Cabinet Memoranda have been submitted to provide pension benefits to such employees.</p> <p>(d) Cabinet decisions No. අමප/18/0495/728/016 dated 20.06.2018 and No. අමප/21/1269/315/025 dated 03.08.2021 have been received in this regard.</p> <p>(e) As per the said Cabinet Decision, the petitioner's aggregate service period, considered for retirement calculation, is 08 years, 05 months, and 09 days.</p> <p>(f) Pursuant to the above Cabinet decision, the petitioner is entitled only to a service gratuity for the period of service relevant to the calculation of her pension.</p> <p>(g) The relevant application has been forwarded to the Department of Pensions.</p>	

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			(h) The petitioner has stated that, as her total period of government service is 14 years, 09 months, and 22 days, she expected to receive a pension on that basis and is not satisfied with receiving only a gratuity.	
Ministry of Defence				
37	Mr. E.J.A.P. Dayananda COM/PP/2025/202 Presented by Hon. T.K. Jayasundara, M.P. Investigated on 09.07.2025. Ministry Ref. : MOD/DEF/GS- 5/PPC/GENERAL (157) Date : 25.02.2021	The petitioner, having completed 15 years, 2 months, and 26 days of regular service in the Sri Lanka Army, in addition to 4 years, 8 months, and 16 days of voluntary service, notes that due to a delay and error of the Army Salary and Records Office the voluntary service period was not correctly calculated for the pension and that, according to Extraordinary Gazette No. 562/11 dated 15.06.1989, for a soldier who left the Army before 1983 an additional 3 years should be added to the service period considered which, when included, brings the total service to 22 years, 9 months, and 26 days, thereby entitling the petitioner to a pension, and the petition has therefore been submitted requesting that necessary arrangements be made to grant the approved	(a) The petitioner notes that, as of the date of discharge from the Armed Forces on 30.07.1991, the voluntary service period amounted to 4 years, 6 months, and 28 days, and the regular service period amounted to 12 years, 6 months, and 21 days, bringing the total service in Armed Forces service to 17 years, 1 month, and 19 days. (b) It was noted that, as per the Extraordinary Gazette No. 1512/19 dated 31.08.2007, it was amended to entitle service periods of not less than 20 years to a pension, in accordance with Section 34 of Extraordinary	The entitlement to the requested benefits was not recommended.

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		pension.	Gazette No. 562/11 dated 15.06.1989, three additional years should be added to the service of a soldier who was discharged on grounds of redundancy not after 31.12.1983 for pension and terminal benefits. Therefore, the petitioner is not entitled to a 20-year service pension.	
38	Mr. S.H.N.R. Samarathunga COM/PP/2025/208 Presented by Hon. Wasantha Piyathissa, M.P. Investigated on 09.07.2025. Ministry Ref. : MOD/PAC/05/PPC/ 2024/12 Date : 08.08.2024	The petitioner, having served in the Civil Security Department and having been on leave with proper medical certification following a road accident, notes that an opportunity to report back to service was not provided on 21.09.2012, and has therefore submitted the petition requesting that necessary arrangements be made to be reinstated.	(a) It was noted that the petitioner's service was suspended due to failure to report for duty for an extended period. (b) It was noted that new recruitments to the Civil Security Department have been suspended and that steps are currently being taken to close the department. (c) It was noted that, at the time of termination, the petitioner was serving and receiving a daily wage on an casual basis, and that his total service period in the Civil Security Department amounts to approximately two years.	The entitlement to the requested benefits was not recommended.

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			(d) It was noted that the petitioner has not submitted sufficient grounds to justify reinstatement to service.	
39	<p>Mr. W.M.I.R. Chandra COM/PP/2025/141 Presented by Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake M.P. Investigated on 09.07.2025. Ministry Ref. : MOD/PAC/05/PPC/2025/02 Date : 07.04.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner, while serving in the Engineering Department of the Sri Lanka Navy, was referred to the Navy Hospital due to illness and subsequently underwent surgery, and, due to continuing poor health, was referred to the Tri-Forces Medical Board and retired on 18.08.2020 with a service pension, noting that no other employment is possible he requests that necessary arrangements be made to provide pension and allowances until he reaches the age of 55.</p>	<p>(a) It was noted that four medical boards were convened and the disability percentage was recorded as 90%, and accordingly, following the completion of 12 years of service on 18.08.2020, the petitioner was granted a pension. (b) It was noted that, according to Circular 22/93 of the Public Administration, the committee appointed to grant benefits determined that “the medical condition of this naval personnel cannot be confirmed as having arisen while in service or while reporting for duty, and therefore, benefits cannot be granted under Public Administration Circular 22/93. (c) It was noted that, since the Ministry of Defence and the Sri Lanka Navy have already provided a substantial amount</p>	<p>The entitlement to the requested benefits was not recommended.</p>

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			of benefits, there is no capacity to grant additional benefits.	
Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development				
40	Mr. M.K. Buddhadasa Jayasekara COM/PP/2025/41 Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P. Investigated on 22.07.2025. Ministry Ref. : MFI/01/22/PB/Ap.& Peti. Date : 29.07.2019	The petitioner, a retired employee of the People's Bank, notes that the bank authorities have acted to deduct the pension as indicated in a letter referring to "overpaid pension", that the calculated pension amount has not been confirmed, and that the method of calculation cannot be accepted and has therefore submitted the petition requesting that the pension deduction be stopped and entitlement be recognized.	(a) It was noted that, while serving as a security officer at the People's Bank, the petitioner was summoned to serve in the Security Unit of the Ministry of Finance from 1984 to 2007, and that, based on allegations of being absent from duty for more than four hours, the Ministry of Finance has informed the People's Bank to take further possible action against the petitioner. (b) It was noted that, accordingly, both a preliminary and formal inquiry were conducted, and considering previous misconduct such as leaving the fire arm unsecured and going outside the Urubokka branch, failure to participate in shooting practice, and negligent handling/operation of the fire arm under his charge, the petitioner was dismissed from service with effect	The entitlement to the requested benefits was not recommended.

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			<p>from 22.10.2001.</p> <p>(c) It was noted that, in accordance with the decision given on the complaint submitted by the petitioner to the Parliamentary Consultative Committee, discussions were held with the Chairman of the People's Bank, resulting in an agreement to settle the matter by granting a full and final compensation of Rs. 30 lakhs.</p> <p>(d) It was noted that the full salary of the petitioner was calculated up to the optional retirement date, 25.09.2010, when the petitioner would reach the age of 55, and that, accordingly, the aforementioned sum of Rs. 30 lakhs was computed.</p> <p>(e) It was noted that, in addition to the sum of Rs. 30 lakhs, all entitlements due to retirees of the People's Bank, including the full pension and medical facilities, have been made available for the petitioner to enjoy to date.</p> <p>(f) It was noted that,</p>	

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			<p>due to a delay and error in systemizing the pension information, an overpayment of Rs. 802,066.76 was to be recovered from the petitioner in monthly installments of Rs. 10,000/- starting from August 2017, and that, if any amount not belonging to the account has been debited due to the error, the petitioner has authorized the bank annually through a written undertaking to recover such amount.</p>	
41	<p>Mr. S.S. Mahinda Abeysekera COM/PP/2025/46 Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P., Investigated on 22.07.2025 Ministry Ref: MIP/1/6/3 Date : 09.06.2023</p>	<p>The petitioner, who states that he joined the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka as Senior Deputy Director (Regional Management) on 01.11.2017 and is serving as the Zonal Head of the Mirijjawila Export Processing Zone, and that he appeared as an internal applicant at the interview held on 30.03.2021 to select a suitable candidate for the position of Director of the Biyagama Export Processing Zone, and that he suffered a grave injustice, has filed this petition requesting an investigation into the</p>	<p>(a) That the applications were called for the post of Director of the Biyagama Export Processing Zone of the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka on 08.03.2021 and that 05 internal applicants, including the petitioner, had applied for the same. (b) That internal applicants who hold the position of Senior</p>	<p>The requested relief entitlement was not recommended.</p>

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		matter and a fair and accurate final decision.	<p>Deputy Director and have completed a minimum of three years of service at the senior management level in the relevant field, as per the recruitment scheme approved by the Department of Management Services of the Ministry of Finance, are eligible to apply for the position of Director</p> <p>(c) That the educational qualifications are not considered as a qualification for applying for the post of Director and that, however, additional marks are awarded during the interview for educational qualifications.</p> <p>(d) That the five qualified internal applicants were accordingly called for the interview and that four of them participated in the interview.</p> <p>(e) The fact that the petitioner obtained marks at the said interview as follows:</p>	

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			<p>total of 41 marks, and that the petitioner was placed fourth with a total of 26 marks.</p> <p>h) That the membership of the interview panel consisted of the Director General of the Board of Investment, the Advisor, the Executive Director (Zonal), the Executive Director (Human Resources and Administration) and a Senior Assistant Secretary to the President.</p> <p>(i) The fact that the Biyagama Export Processing Zone is the second largest export processing zone in the country with about 30,000 employees and the leadership qualities required to manage such a large zone, in comparison to the Mirijjawila Export Processing Zone where the petitioner currently works with about 1400 employees, was considered by the above interview panel.</p>	

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42	<p>Mr. A.P. Rajasuriya COM/PP/2025/73 Presented by Hon. K.V. Samantha Vidyarathna, M.P. Investigated on 21.08.2025 Ministry Ref : MF1/11/03/02/BOC /COPP Date : 28.03.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner, who states that he joined the Bank of Ceylon as a Trainee Staff Assistant on 03.05.2010; that a fixed deposit was opened in his name in 2018 under the guidance of a superior officer to show the deposit money for a personal need and that an overdraft facility was obtained against it; that these actions were done on the instructions of the officers of the bank and caused no loss or damage to the bank; and that his service was suspended on 09.08.2019 and he was dismissed on 13.09.2022 due to this, has filed this petition seeking reinstatement and the restoration of arrears of salary and forfeited privileges.</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner, claiming that he is to receive money from the sale of his land, had a fixed deposit of Rs. 8,115,000/- opened by a bank officer, and for the amount required, he had drawn a cheque for Rs. 8,115,000/- on his current account and submitted it to the relevant counter along with a credit slip, and had obtained a credit voucher for the same. (b) That a cash back facility has been requested against the fixed deposit accordingly, and that the confidential passwords of other officers have been used for this purpose. (c) That the petitioner has testified during the disciplinary inquiry that this was a deliberate act on his part and that other officers were not therefore responsible for the same. (d) The fact that it is not possible, as per the banking practice, to continue to retain the petitioner in the service of the bank on the grounds of fraudulent opening of a fixed deposit account, fraudulent marking of a temporary overdraft limit (TOD limit), misusing of the</p>	<p>The requested relief entitlement was not recommended.</p>

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			bank's assets and dishonesty.	
Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government				
43	<p>Mr. P.U.P. Kumara De Silva COM/PP/2025/338 Presented by Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera, M.P., Investigated on 22.07.2025 Ministry Ref : ES/DIR/J/9(II) Date : 11.01.2023</p>	<p>This petition has been submitted requesting that a permanent appointment be granted to Class II/II of the Sri Lanka Engineering Service (Electrical) with effect from 13.10.2000 and that the arrears of salary, allowances and other privileges pertaining to the post be granted.</p>	<p>(a) Given that, according to the Petitioner's statements, he has served as an Electrical Engineer (Acting) and has been paid an allowance as an acting employee, and in terms of Section 141 of Chapter IX, Part I of the Procedural Rules of the Public Service Commission, the mere performance of the duties of a government official in a particular position does not entitle a person to permanent appointment to that position, the fact that the Petitioner was appointed to perform duties in the II/II post of the Sri Lanka Engineering Service does not constitute a qualification relevant to the grant of a permanent appointment.</p> <p>(b) That the applications have been called for the recruitment of</p>	<p>The requested relief entitlement was not recommended.</p>

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			<p>officers on the limited basis to the Sri Lanka Engineering Service by the notice calling for applications published in the Gazette No. 2027 dated 07.07.2017 and although the petitioner has applied for the same under Electrical Category 03, he has not fulfilled the qualifications for the same.</p> <p>(c) That the petitioner has not fulfilled the minimum qualifications required for appointment to Class II , Grade II of the Sri Lanka Engineering Service on the promotion of Technical Officers of the Sri Lanka Technical Service (formerly the Middle Level Unified Technical Service) as per the relevant Engineering Service Circular No. 31 dated 05.08.1997.</p> <p>(d) That before the publication of the Service Minute of the Engineering</p>	

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			Service through Gazette No. 1836/6 and dated 11.11.2013, only officers who served in the Technological Service (Electrical) of the Department of Railways were allowed to join the Engineering Service on the basis of service requirement	
Ministry of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs				
44	Mr. K.P. Ranjith COM/PP/2025/40 Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P., Investigated on 05.08.2025 Ministry Ref: 02/03/23/59/2021 Date : 23.03.2022	The petitioner states that he joined the Sri Lanka Police as a Probationary Police Constable on 22.11.1986 and was serving at the Bandarakulam Police Station; that he obtained 06 days leave from 08.07.2007; that he received treatment from 14.07.2007 to 25.09.2007 due to a sudden illness; that his workplace was informed by forwarding medical reports through Wellawaya Police and by post on 15.07.2007 ; that he was arrested by the Urubokka Police Station on 25.09.2007 despite having committed no offence and was remanded until 25.02.2008; that an order of vacating his post with effect from 24.07.2007 was later issued by the letter dated 29.09.2009, that he was absolved and acquitted of the case No. 133/2014 before the Matara High Court; and that, having appealed to the National Police Commission and	a)The facts mentioned in the petition submitted to the Committee on Public Petitions as the reasons for his non-reporting to duty from 15.07.2007 to 25.09.2007 seem to be contradictory to the facts contained in the appeal submitted to the National Police Commission as to the reasons why he was unable to report for duty within that period. b) That the petitioner was issued a vacation on post notice on 29.09.2007. c)That the petitioner was arrested on 25.09.2007 with a Galkatas-type firearm (locally manufactured firearm) in his possession in accordance with the background report issued by the	The requested relief entitlement was not recommended.

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		the Inspector General of Police, he has submitted this petition seeking reinstatement.	Officer-in-Charge of the Beliatta Police regarding the petitioner and released after a case was filed in the Morawaka Magistrate's Court; that, following the filing of cases before the Morawaka Magistrate's Court and the Matara High Court relating to a robbery again, he was acquitted due to insufficient evidence; and that his service record also includes a prior order to vacate service and a period of suspension from duty.	
45	Mrs. S.L. Hettiarachchi COM/PP/2025/55 Presented by Hon. Jagath Manuwarna, M.P., Investigated on 05.08.2025 Ministry Ref : 01/02/03/09/2024 Date : 11.07.2024	The petitioner states that she was attached to the Sri Lanka Police Department on 08.09.1986 as an English Typist and served until 19.11.1998; that she was promoted to the rank of Women Police Sergeant in 1996 and worked in the Administrative Division of the Police Station at the Bandaranaike International Conference Hall in Colombo; that she obtained approval to resign from service on 19.11.1998 due to a recurring illness that occurred in 1997; that she submitted an appeal to the Inspector General of Police on 13.06.2023 to obtain the pension available to officers who	(a) That the petitioner, who joined the police Ancillary service, has not been absorbed into the regular service; that she has received provident fund benefits in respect of her period of service; and that there is no provision for granting her a pension, even under Circular No. 2010/13 (b) That the petitioner appears to have voluntarily submitted her resignation due to her ignorance and	The requested relief entitlement was not recommended

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		have completed 10 years of service as per the amended Pension Act of 2010/13, and that in response to the appeal, she was informed that there is no provision for reinstatement as per Section 4:3 of Chapter IV of the Establishments Code and has submitted this petition requesting that arrangements be made for a pension to be granted.	the lack of guidance from the institution, and that, as a result, she lost the opportunity to receive a pension.	
Ministry of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development				
46	Mrs. M.D. Chandralatha Dayawathi COM/PP/2025/199 Presented by Hon. Jagath Vithana, M.P. Investigated on 07.08.2025. Ministry Ref : MIC/PAF/01/13 Date : 30.07.2019	Stating that an injustice has occurred due to the omission of the compensation scheme under the voluntary retirement scheme when the petitioner retired after serving for 23 years at the Cooperative Wholesale Establishment, and that a grave injustice occurred as a result of her retirement at the age of 55 in terms of Circular No. PED 10 dated 28.05.2003 and Circular No. PED 10(1) dated 21.07.2003, the petitioner has submitted this petition requesting that the necessary steps be taken to provide the relevant arrears	(a) That, in paying compensation to the petitioner, the provisions of the Department of Public Enterprises Circular No. PED 10 dated 28.05.2003 and PED 10(1) dated 21.07.2003, issued by the Secretary to the Treasury regarding the retirement of Sathosa employees under the Voluntary Compensation Scheme, and the provisions of Internal Circular No. AB/2004/02 dated 12.02.2004, issued by the Chairman of Sathosa regarding the Voluntary Retirement Scheme, petitioner's remaining period of service	The requested relief entitlement was not recommended.

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			<p>has been taken into consideration.</p> <p>(b) That an amount of Rs. 87,780/- has already been paid to the petitioner as compensation, as per the Cabinet decision dated 07.11.2017 and the recommendation of the Review Committee.</p> <p>(c) The fact that the Committee on Public Petitions, at its meeting held on 10.03.2022, recommended that, in accordance with the Secretary to the Treasury's Circular No. PED 10 dated 28.05.2003, the compensation due to the petitioner for her past service period of nearly 23 years be calculated, the compensation already paid be deducted from it, and the remaining amount be disbursed to her.</p> <p>(d) That compensation has already been paid to the petitioner, taking into account her future service period, makes it impossible to pay</p>	

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			compensation again for her past service period, as per the recommendation of the Committee dated 10.03.2022.	
47	Mr. P. Sanjeeva Prasad Fernando COM/PP/2025/87 Presented by Hon. Chathura Galappaththi, M.P., Investigated on 07.08. 2025 Ministry Ref: MWCA&SE/ADM/ 05/02-2023 Date : 18.07.2023	The petitioner has stated in his petition that he had been serving as a Samurdhi Development Officer from 01 March 2001, and he was considered as having vacated his post on the grounds of abstaining from reporting for duty only on 01.06. 2011 after obtaining a proper approval due to a personal matter, but he had reported for duty on both the days before and after the said holiday, and that his appeals to the authorities and the Labour Tribunal were also to no avail, and that on 03.03.2017, the Labour Tribunal Judge dismissed all the cases pending against the Samurdhi Authority under the Divi Neguma Act No. 1 of 2013, and that once the appeal made to the Committee for Providing Relief to Victims of Administrative Retaliation in the Public Service was referred back to the Samurdhi Department itself, he was informed that an incident that occurred when the Samurdhi Department was	a) The Committee observed that as per the recommendation of the Committee on Public Petitions held on 19.03.2025, a report was called from the Ministry of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment and according to the report submitted subsequently, the Ministry has submitted facts and documents related to the petitioner's obtaining no pay leave during his service period, his absence from service without notice, and dereliction of duty and they were observed by the Committee. (b) Accordingly, the Committee observed that during the petitioner's previous service, letters of warning were issued	The requested relief was not recommended.

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		<p>an Authority could not be considered after it became a Department, and that he has requested reinstatement in the Service with all privileges, salaries and allowances with effect from the date on which he was deemed to have vacated the post, on the basis that his fundamental rights had been violated.</p>	<p>regarding his unsatisfactory delivery of service taking no pay leave, leaving the place of work without approval and absence from service without notice.</p>	
Ministry of Buddhasana , Religious and Cultural Affairs				
48	<p>Mr. B.S. Wijekoon Kulatunga COM/PP/2025/121 Presented by Hon. Kanchana Welipitiya, M.P., Investigated on 19.08.2025. Ministry Ref: NH/AD/ARC/76 Date : 08.08.2023</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated in his petition that while he was working as a mason in the Department of Archaeology, the service of a group of people including the petitioner was suspended on 03.08.2021 due to an issue that arose regarding the Ordinary Level certificate, and that only a portion of the above group was reinstated on the basis of having the National Apprenticeship Board certificate, disregarding the Ordinary Level qualification, and that although he had fulfilled the said qualification, his appeal was dismissed on the grounds that he had attained the age of 45 years, and has requested reinstatement in Service stating that he had completed a period of service of 09 years and 06 months.</p>	<p>(a) The Committee observed that the petitioner could not be confirmed in his service as the GCE (O/L) examination certificate obtained from the school, which he had submitted to his personal file, did not match the result certificate of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka. (b) The Committee observed that although the petitioner was informed to submit a GCE (O/L) examination certificate obtained from the Examinations Department of Sri Lanka he has not yet acted accordingly.</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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			<p>c) The principal of K/Galigamuwa Central College, where the petitioner studied has sent the petitioner's correct O/L certificate to the Dept. of Archaeology and it is observed that the petitioner has not fulfilled the basic educational qualifications and has submitted false certificates on two occasions.</p> <p>d) The Director General of Archaeology has terminated the appointment of the petitioner in accordance with the paragraph 20 of the letter of appointment and section 59 of chapter VI of the procedural rules of the Public Service Commission.</p> <p>e) It is stated that the petitioner was of the age of 52 years and 03 months when he obtained the NCQ –Level 03 certificate and since he had already exceeded the age limit for recruitment to government service, a new appointment has not been made.</p>	

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			<p>f) The petitioner stated that the examination certificates were given by an outside person and that he was unaware that they were fake. Although he was informed on several occasions to resubmit certificates, he was only able to submit those certificates.</p> <p>g) The petitioner's service was terminated due to the fact that his educational certificate was defective, that he had not fulfilled the basic educational qualifications relevant to the position, and had exceeded the maximum age limit for recruitment to the public service when he fulfilled the qualifications.</p>	
49	<p>Mr. D.M. Wijesinghe COM/PP/2025/296 Presented by Hon. Chandana Thennakoon, M.P., Investigated on 19.08.2025. Ministry Ref: NH/AD/ARC/76 Date: 14.06.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated in his petition that his appointment as a casual employee of the Department of Archaeology in 2008 was made permanent at the age of 46, and that although he served until 2023 and retired, he had not received a pension, and has requested that his pension be granted.</p>	<p>(a) The Committee observed that the petitioner was appointed to a permanent post in the Labourer Grade III of the Department of Archaeology on 24.06.2009, and that the age of the petitioner at the time of receiving</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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			<p>the permanent appointment was 46 years, 05 months and 08 days.</p> <p>(b) The Committee observed that although the Director General of Archaeology has referred the relevant application form for registration under the Widowers' and Orphans pension scheme to the Department of Pensions on 07.12.2021, the petitioner's age had exceeded 45 years at the time of receiving the permanent appointment.</p> <p>(c) The Committee observed that since, in addition to the petitioner, there are a significant number of employees in the Department who have received appointments over the age of 45, the Director General of Archaeology had referred a letter to the then Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs to seek instructions regarding obtaining</p>	

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			<p>the approval of the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs.</p> <p>(d) The Committee observed that accordingly, as per the decisions taken at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers held on 11th March 2024, it has been informed that pension entitlement cannot be granted to the petitioner, and therefore pension has not been granted to him.</p> <p>(e) The Committee observed that since this appointment is a casual appointment, and as the age of 45 had been exceeded at the time of receiving the casual appointment, and therefore, as the appointment is not in accordance with the government regulations, he is not entitled to a pension or a gratuity.</p>	

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Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education				
50	<p>Mrs. J.K.M. Darshini COM/PP/2025/279 Presented by Hon. (Dr.) (Ms.) Kaushalya Ariyaratne, M.P., Investigated on 25.07.2025. Ministry Ref: ED/05/152/05/2022/01-20 Date: 12.10.2022</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated in her petition that she has been working at the State Printing Corporation for 36 years since 1989, and is currently attached to its Supply Division, and has received practical training in all accounting work, and has completed her educational qualifications up to the postgraduate level but was not given a suitable post, and that a Junior Manager position was granted only after about 35 years, and thereby she has lost the opportunity to obtain an executive grade position, and is now close to retirement from service, and has requested that a compensation of five million rupees be granted for this injustice committed by the administration of the institution.</p>	<p>(a) The Committee observed that the petitioner has completed a long service period of nearly 37 years at the State Printing Corporation.</p> <p>(b) The Committee observed that although the petitioner has received appropriate marks for her experience, educational and other qualifications in the interviews she has appeared for from time to time, she has not been able to exceed the cut-off marks for promotions as she has received low marks for the skills she has demonstrated in the interviews and thus, has not received the relevant promotions.</p> <p>(c) The Committee observed that the complaint submitted to the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka against the State Printing Corporation in this regard has been closed as the two parties reached a settlement in 2015.</p>	<p>The requested relief was not recommended.</p>

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			(d) The Committee observed that if the petitioner believed that injustice had been done by the administration of the institution where she had been providing services for a long time, she could have resorted to legal action, but she has not done so.	
51	<p>Mrs. N.S. Ratnaweera COM/PP/2025/126 Presented by Hon. Dewananda Suraweera, M.P. Investigated on 17.06.2025. Ministry Ref: ED/4/58/1/8/173/ 66 Date : 05.12.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner has stated in her petition that she has served as a teacher for 23 years since 1979, as a principal for 5 years since 2002, and in Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service for 10 years since 2007, and retired from the post of principal of Pili/ Mount Lavinia Buddhist Girls' School on 15.06.2017, and that she holds a training degree qualification equivalent to a Postgraduate Diploma in Education, which is a necessary qualification for exemption from the 2nd efficiency bar examination of the Class III of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service, but has not been exempted from the said efficiency bar examination, and that her request to be released from the appointment made to the Principal's Service to the Teaching Service was also rejected, and has requested to be exempted from the 2nd efficiency</p>	<p>(a) The Committee observed that according to the Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service, teacher training cannot be equated with the Diploma in Education which is included in the postgraduate qualification, as the qualification for exemption from the 2nd efficiency bar.</p> <p>(b) The Committee observed that the Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education has forwarded a request to the Secretary of the Public Service Commission for the</p>	<p>The petitioner's first request, namely exemption from the 2nd efficiency bar examination of Class III of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service was not recommended.</p> <p>(b) It was decided to summon on another date to investigate the petitioner's second request, which is to be released from the appointment made to Class III of the Principal's Service to the Teaching Service with effect from 01.01.2002</p>

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		bar examination of the Class III of Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service and be granted the promotion due on 12.03.2017, and to be released from the appointment made to the Class III of the Principal's Service back to the Teaching Service with effect from 01.01.2002.	second time, requesting exemption from the 2nd efficiency bar, considering the possession of a degree qualification along with teacher training. (c) The Committee observed that the Public Service Commission cannot issue recommendations to exempt the petitioner from the 2nd efficiency bar by giving a different interpretation contrary to the existing provisions of the Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service.	

Petitions for which recommendations have been postponed

Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education

52	Mr. W.D. Senevirathna COM/PP/2025/197 Presented by Hon. R.M. Gamini Rathnayake, M.P., Investigated on 03.06.2025. Ministry Ref: HE/AD/03/ ©.෧෧.ක.ස.. (2019/01) Date: 28.02.2019	The petitioner has stated in his petition that the recommendations made by the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration(Ombudsman) regarding the suspension of the service of the petitioner, who had served as a lecturer in Mass Communication for about 12 years, including 8 years in the Social Studies Department of the Open University of Sri Lanka	(a) The Committee observed that the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 stipulates that a probationary lecturer must complete his/her postgraduate degree within a maximum of 8 years to be confirmed in that position, and that if it is delayed by even one day, confirmation of service cannot be granted.	The Committee decided to call for a report on the above matters from the Administrative Council of the Open University. Recommendations will be made after examining the said report.
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		<p>and 4 years in the University of Kelaniya, were not implemented by the Open University, and that the Ombudsman accordingly referred the matter to the next authority with jurisdiction, the Head of State or the President, for appropriate action, but he received no response, and thus, has requested that the injustice done to him, who served in good faith without being subject to any charges, based on a simple technical matter related to the promotion, be investigated, and that he be confirmed in service with effect from 01.07.2010 with arrears of salary and promotions, and that he be granted a pension, or alternatively be given a new appointment as a senior lecturer in another university, or if that is not possible, be given a job in the field of higher education considering his experience.</p>	<p>(b) The Committee observed that although an appeal could be filed with the University Services Appeals Board within 3 months of termination of service, and with the Labour Tribunal within 6 months, the petitioner filed an appeal with the Ombudsman on 12.08.2012, only after a period of 2 years from the termination of service.</p> <p>(c) The Committee observed that the Ombudsman had accepted that the termination of the petitioner's service was lawful and had recommended a temporary appointment, but since the vacancies in the said post had been filled by then, and the required number of employees (cadre) had been met, the Administrative Council of the Open University had informed the Ombudsman by letter dated 05.02.2013 that the above recommendation could not be implemented.</p>	

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			<p>(d) The Committee observed the petitioner's statement that although he admitted that it is necessary to complete the postgraduate qualification within 8 years from the date of appointment, he has not been granted the concessions granted to other academic staff.</p> <p>(e) The Committee observed that in the event a probationary lecturer has not completed his/her postgraduate degree within 8 years from the date of appointment, confirmation in service shall not be made under any circumstance, and it is completely denied that any such confirmation in service has been made.</p> <p>(f) The Committee observed that attention should be paid to the petitioner's statement that although applications were sent to the Open University in 2011 in accordance with the newspaper advertisement to fill the vacancy in the post arising from the termination of the petitioner's service,</p>	

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			<p>he was not called for an interview, and whether applications were called for a vacancy in the post of lecturer and whether the petitioner had applied for it, and to the petitioner's assertion that the university administration appears to be treating the academic staff in two ways, regardless of the circulars should also be taken in to consideration.</p>	
53	<p>Mr.P.A.Karunasena COM/PP/2025/44 Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P. Investigated on 17.06.2025 Ministry Reference: ED/4/58/1/8/173/67 Date: 13.12.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner was appointed to a post of Class III of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service with effect from 01.01.1998 by a Cabinet decision. He had fulfilled all the required qualifications and has carried out the duties of that post. The Public Service Commission rejected the petitioner's appointment stating that he had not fulfilled the statutory qualifications as at 01.01.1998. Further stated that granting him an appointment backdated to 01.01.1993 caused a serious injustice. The petitioner has requested that his date of appointment to the Education Administrative Service be made with effect from 01.01.1998.</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner's statement that in the list of officers who were granted relief as per the Cabinet decision dated 12.10.2001, four other officers who had the same qualification as his qualification, the Teacher Training Certificate, were given appointments in Class III of the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service. As per the Cabinet decision dated 15.03.2006, he was deprived of being promoted to Class II of the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative</p>	<p>The Committee informed the petitioner to provide the details of the four officers named by the petitioner to the officials who arrived representing the Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education to verify their qualifications. Further, the Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education was directed to examine the reasons for the petitioner's loss of Class III</p>

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			Service as per the conditions of the appointment granted to Class III of the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service on supernumerary basis from 01.01.1993.	appointment in the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service, which he was entitled to from 01.01.1998, in accordance with the relief granted to him by the Cabinet decision dated 12.10.2001, and to submit a report to the Committee on the qualifications of the officers named by the petitioner who were granted the same relief. Accordingly, upon receipt of the said report, recommendations will be issued following a subsequent re-examination at a later date.
54	<p>Mr. K.V. Anurakeerthi COM/PP/2025/81</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Lasith Bhashana Gamage, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 17.06.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MSVRI/ADM/03/05 -iv</p> <p>Date: 19.06.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner states that he was assigned with an acting post of Additional Director General of the Department of Technical Education and Training for an uninterrupted period of 2 ½ years until his retirement on 05.12.2016. Since he possessed all the qualifications relevant to the post, he has appealed to be permanently appointed to the above said position. Due to institutional inefficiencies, including the failure to</p>	(a) That the petitioner has filed a case before the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the case has been scheduled to be heard on 17.09.2025.	It has been decided to suspend the examination of this petition until the Administrative Appeals Tribunal pronounces the verdict after examining the petitioner's complaint.

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		<p>properly amend the service minute, he was unfairly deprived of that opportunity.</p> <p>Accordingly, the petitioner has requested that arrangements be made to implement the relevant amended service minute from 05.05.2015, the date on which the Public Service Commission had directed that the amended minute be brought into effect, and to promote him to the Special Grade post in which he acted, with effect from the same date.</p>		
55	<p>Mr.W.Jayantha Weerasiri</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/91</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Kosala Nuwan Jayaweera, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 17.06.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: HE/AD/SA/☉.෧෧.ක.ස.</p> <p>Date: 31.03.2016</p>	<p>The petitioner has alleged that he had been serving at the University of Kelaniya since 18.02.2010, as a Labourer Grade III position, and that he was dismissed from service by preparing forged documents stating that he had taken no-pay leave during the probationary period, which caused an injustice, and requested that his service be confirmed and all privileges including arrears of salary and promotions, as well as compensation be provided.</p>	<p>(a) Although the Committee at its meeting held on 14.05.2024 had considered the matter on sympathetic grounds and recommended that the University Administration Council should take steps to provide him with some relief, the Committee has been informed that the petitioner cannot be reinstated in the service.</p> <p>(b) During the probation period the petitioner's attendance was unsatisfactory, he had obtained no-pay</p>	<p>It was also informed the petitioner to submit a complete report on the leave and no-pay leave taken by the petitioner in each year during his probationary period of 04 years and copies of the reports submitted to the relevant authorities by his supervisory officer regarding the petitioner were to be submitted to the Committee. A recommendation will be made regarding this petition after examining the relevant documents.</p>

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			<p>leave, thereby the probation period had been extended by one year. Despite warnings, he had continued to take no-pay leave. On the basis of these facts, the University Administrative Council acting according to the provisions set out by the Establishments Code pertaining to the University Grants Commission and Higher Education Institutions, has terminated the petitioner's service.</p> <p>(c) Petitioner's statement that the probation period was extended by one year by submitting incorrect documents while he had accrued leave, and by indicating that the day he came to work as a day he was absent, and thereby an injustice was caused.</p>	
56	<p>Mr.D.M. Jayasinghe COM/PP/2025/ 220 Presented by Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake, M.P. Investigated on</p>	<p>The petitioner states that, although he sat for and passed the Competitive Examination for Grade III (Limited – 2010) of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service, due to the failure of the</p>	<p>(a) The minimum marks mentioned for the fields of General and Special Grade (Physical Education) for which the candidates were called for the interview are 207 and 186, and</p>	<p>After obtaining the interpretation of the new Service Minute bearing no. 1928/28 from the Secretary of the Public Service Commission, the final</p>

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	<p>25.07.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: ED/4/58/1/8/173/ 61</p> <p>Date:16.06.2023</p> <p>(This petition was presented to the Committee on Public Petitions of the Ninth Parliament by Mrs. H.P.S.Ganawardena under COM/PP/2023/1108 Since she is currently in ill health Mr. D.M. Jayasinghe has appeared as the current petitioner to proceed with the petition.)</p>	<p>Ministry of Education to calculate the accurate number of vacancies relevant to the said post, the appointments were granted only to a group of candidates excluding the petitioner. The Petitioner further states that, a case has been filed before the Supreme Court in this regard, and that a fresh interview was called in accordance with the judgment given. Due to a technical error the names of the petitioner and several others were not included in the list containing the complainant parties to the case and only about 24 other persons were recruited as a result. And that persons who obtained marks equal to or lower than the petitioner's score of 183 have also been recruited to posts in Grade III of the Education Administrative Service. Accordingly, the petitioner has requested that in terms of the Administrative Service Minute amended on 21.08.2015 the necessary steps be taken to recruit the petitioner and around 20 others to Grade III posts of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service.</p>	<p>the first petitioner, Mrs. H.P.S. Gunawardena has obtained a total of 183 marks and therefore, she was not eligible for the interview.</p> <p>(b) The Supreme Court decision does not mention about a technical error as alleged by the petitioner.</p> <p>(c) That it is appropriate to submit this matter to the Secretary of the Public Service Commission, who issued the gazette notification, in order to obtain an interpretation as to whether the Service Minute No. 1928/28 issued on 21.08.2015 referred to by the petitioner was issued after amending it in accordance with the guidelines given by the Hon. Supreme Court.</p>	<p>recommendation will be issued after re-examining this petition in the Committee at a future date with the participation of all relevant parties.</p>

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Ministry of Urban Development, Construction and Housing				
57	<p>Mr. U. R. Gambhiraarachchi</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/47</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 05.06.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MU/DH/GA/PP/P3/PPC-Vol III</p> <p>Date: 27.03.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner states that while he was employed as a casual, unskilled employee handling accounts at the Sri Lanka State Engineering Corporation, his service was confirmed with effect from 01.09.2019 in terms of Public Administration Circular No. 29/2019. The management of the Corporation unlawfully terminated his service in 2020 based on the personal interests and vengeance of some individuals. He has been reinstated in service after filing a case before the Court of Appeal in this regard.</p> <p>The petitioner requested that a formal letter specifying the correct date of reinstatement be issued and that salary arrears for the relevant period be paid to him, that a letter confirming the permanent appointment with effect from 01.09.2019 be issued and that arrears of salary increments from that date to date be paid. Any inducements or pressures forcing him to vacate his post be stopped. The previously assigned duties be approved instead of the unfair duty list issued on 11.07.2024 and that salary</p>	<p>(a) The petitioner, who joined the service on 07.03.2016, was confirmed in service on 01.09.2019 subject to a probationary period of one year. He was transferred to the Dankotuwa work site from 16.07.2020 by way of an out service paper and he was not confirmed in service since he did not report to work after the transfer. After being reinstated in service, he has taken no-pay leave during the relevant period in the years 2024 and 2025 also.</p> <p>(b) The request made by the Additional Secretary to the Ministry that the petitioner has been recruited for a skilled worker position and that there is no clarity as to whether office work is applicable to that position or not, and that the institution should act in accordance with the court settlement, and therefore, time</p>	<p>Recommendations will be made after a re-examination at a later date upon the receipt of a comprehensive report including all matters related to this incident and confirmation in the service requested by the petitioner.</p>

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		arrears payable from July 2020 to August 2023 be paid.	be given to study this matter further and make a submission. c) That the petitioner has been wronged by the procedure followed by the institution and that the institution should act in accordance with the settlement reached in court.	
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation				
58	Mrs. G.P.T.P. Weerasekara COM/PP/2025/110 Presented by Hon. Ruwan Mapalagma, M.P. Investigated on 19.06.2025 Ministry Reference: MOI/AD/05/04/☉. ☉. (01-2023) Date: 02.04.2024	The group including the petitioner, who worked as Planners in the Irrigation Department, appealed to the Director General of Establishments to resolve the salary discrepancy that occurred when they were promoted to Class I of the Sri Lanka Technical Service between 01.07.1994 and 31.12.1996. The petitioner and her group, stated that when an officer who was subject to such discrepancy referred the problem to the Committee on Public Petitions, corrections should be made as per the recommendations of the Committee. However, the salary conversion was carried out by the Administrative division 2 as per the instructions given by the Director General of Establishments, but since the Director General of Irrigation temporarily	(a) Public Administration Circular No.30/99 has been issued to remove the salary discrepancies of officers who were absorbed into Class I and Special Class of officers who were in service on that date when the Sri Lanka Technical Service was established in place of the Intermediate Level Integrated Technical Service (b) It is observed that the issue related to the petition is strictly related to technical matters and that the petitioner and others have been treated unfairly. (c) It is necessary to conduct a detailed	A committee comprising the Director General of the Irrigation Department, Additional Director General (Administration), Director (Administration) and other relevant officers were appointed to conduct a comprehensive study in this regard, and a fair decision be reached through that, and the Director General of Establishments was informed to submit a report with that decision to the Committee. Upon receipt of the relevant report, recommendations will be issued

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		suspended it when the salary was about to be paid, the salary discrepancy continues to exist. Accordingly, the petitioner and her group have requested that the relevant salary conversion be enforced and the salary discrepancy be removed, since removing of the said salary discrepancy of only a portion of the group who were subject to the same discrepancy is unfair to them.	study on the matter related to the petition and reach a conclusion.	following a subsequent review at a later date.
Ministry of Defence				
59	<p>Mr.W.R.P. Dissanayake</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/ 229</p> <p>Presented by Hon. Sunil Handunnetti, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 09.07.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MOD/PAC/05/PPC/2023/06</p> <p>Date: 18.09.2023</p>	<p>He was appointed as an Acting Sub-Lieutenant in the Sri Lanka Navy (Volunteer Force) from 30th March 1999 and promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 2002. While returning home on leave an incident occurred on 14th July 2006. He was placed on compulsory leave without pay for an indefinite period on 08th November 2006 at the discretion of the then Commander of the Navy as a result. A case was filed against him in the Matara High Court in 2010, the complaint was refused and he was acquitted on 03rd May 2017. Thereafter, he was reinstated to active naval service with effect from 07th August 2018 upon an appeal made by him. But was again sent on no pay</p>	<p>a) That the petitioner has been acquitted of all charges in a case pertaining to culpable homicide.</p> <p>(b) As per the request made by the petitioner, he was recalled to active service in the Volunteer Naval Sub-Service from 07.08.2018, taking service exigency into consideration.</p> <p>(c) Although the naval service of a naval personnel who is generally accused of culpable homicide is suspended in terms of Section 22 (4) (b) (III) of the Navy Salary Code</p>	<p>The Attorney General will report to the Committee on the action that can be taken in this regard, along with the Attorney General's observations and recommendations. After re-examining the petition with the participation of Attorney General's Department officials, the final recommendation will be issued.</p>

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		leave and without pension with effect from 03 rd May 2020. Due to the said criminal case, he has lost the rank of Lieutenant Commander (Volunteer) and requested to grant the rank of Lieutenant Commander (Volunteer) with effect from 30 th March 2010, the rank of Commander (Volunteer) with effect from 30 th March 2015, and the rank of Captain (Volunteer) with effect from 30 th March 2019 and be paid his naval pension and the arrears of salary from November 2006 to July 2018; be granted pension rights and be provided all other benefits which are provided by the Navy upon the retirement of a naval officer.	1982, since the petitioner is an officer of the Volunteer Navy, he has been sent on compulsory leave without payments. (d) Injustice has been caused to the petitioner due to the discrepancies between the laws applicable to Volunteer Naval Officers and Regular Navy ranks.	
Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development				
60	Mrs.K.A.S. Udeshani COM/PP/2025/39 Presented by Hon. Nihal Galappaththi, M.P. Investigated on 21.08.2025 Ministry Reference: MF1/11/03/04/NSB/COPP Date:11.04.2025	The petitioner stated that she had been working at the National Savings Bank as a Banking Assistant since 2009, and that she was unfairly dismissed from service after being given a charge sheet based on false allegations while working at the Hakmana branch in 2023. Has requested that the necessary steps be taken to reinstate her in the above job.		The Committee suspended hearings/issuance of recommendations on the petition due to the fact that it was a matter pending before the Labour Tribunal.

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Ministry of Environment				
61	<p>Mr.A.A.D.Nihal Kithsiri</p> <p>COM/PP/2025/ 251</p> <p>Presented by Hon. (Dr.) Dammika Patabendi, M.P.</p> <p>Investigated on 22.07.2025</p> <p>Ministry Reference: MWFRC/Dev/11/F R/LA/2022 /10</p> <p>Date: 08.05.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner, who states that an individual is conducting unauthorized cultivation on a 50-acre land belonging to the petitioner in the Kalawana Divisional Secretariat Division, and the Gangalagamuwa Beat Forest Officer, Gangalagamuwa Grama Niladhari and the Kalawana Range Forest Officer have jointly proposed to take over the said land to the Forest Conservation Department. Has requested that the said takeover be cancelled and that the proposed access road to the land be provided.</p>	<p>(a) That this land has been recorded as “land that government does not claim right”, but no individual has been able to properly establish the ownership, and therefore, the acquisition proposals have been prepared.</p> <p>(b) Since the owners have requested to provide alternative lands for the lands of Lot Nos. 761 and 762 which are located in the vicinity of this land, no acquisition proposals have been prepared for that purpose.</p> <p>(c) That in order to conduct further investigations into this matter, the petitioner should confirm the legal ownership of this 50-acre land, and that a forest conservation report should be obtained from the Forest Conservation Department, along with an environmental report on the land and a</p>	<p>Reports have been called and this petition will be re-examined by the committee upon the receipt of the reports, and a final recommendation will be issued.</p>

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			specific explanation from the Ministry of Environment as to whether the relevant land should be taken over by the government or not.	
Ministry of Health and Mass Media				
62	<p>Mr. Ajith Jayasena COM/PP/2025/135. Presented by Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake, M.P. Investigated on 05.08.2025 Ministry Reference: MH/AD/01/03/PP/0 5/2025 Date : 05.06.2025</p>	<p>He has been working as a Specialist Judicial Medical Officer in the Judicial Medical Division of the Kurunegala Teaching Hospital since 2021, and although he applied for an End Post for the year 2025, he was not granted that by the Secretary to the Ministry of Health, vide circular No. 02-161-2024 dated 07.11.2024 and an appeal was also made to the Secretary to the Ministry of Health in this regard. Subsequently, by the Acting Secretary to the Ministry of Health, vide circular No. 02-161/2024 dated 03.12.2024, all the new End Posts were cancelled and applications were called only for the vacant posts. It is stated in the covering letter related to the said circular that this change was made on the advice of the Health Sub-Committee of the Public Service Commission, and the petitioner has filed this petition seeking to be granted an End Post, considering that, as per the circular bearing no. 1617 dated 02.02.1994, Judicial medical specialists working in teaching</p>	<p>a) The creation of end posts would be carried out through an expert committee of the Ministry of Health based on service requirements, and that the proposed vacancy list for the year 2025 had not been approved by the Health Service Committee of the Public Service Commission since it had been submitted without a justification report. (b) That the said expert committee has not created any new posts for the year 2025, and has only converted the existing transferable posts into End Posts. Since it is the accepted method to consider vacancies in transferable posts after creating End Posts, it has been decided not to create any new posts in order to avoid any delay that may have occurred in preparing the annual transfer list for the</p>	<p>It was informed that the report of the Expert Committee of the Ministry of Health regarding the creation of End Posts for the year 2025 and a document containing the vacancies of the End Posts identified as capable of being created at Kurunegala teaching hospital and other teaching hospitals be forwarded to the Committee. After receiving the relevant reports, the Committee will re-examine this petition at a future date and issue the final recommendation.</p>

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		hospitals are considered as doctors holding End Posts.	year 2025. However, in the coming years, steps will be taken to create End Posts in hospitals which are newly converted into teaching hospitals based on service requirements. (c) The petitioner's human rights have been violated due to the failure to create new service posts for the year 2025, and that End Posts have already been created in other recently established teaching hospitals and in two other sub-consultant departments of the Teaching Hospital Kurunegala, and that the petitioner's request to create an End Post for the Judicial Medical Department of the Teaching Hospital Kurunegala has been approved by the Director of that hospital, and that the petitioner is eligible for End Post.	
Ministry of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs				
63	Mr. K.M.Ajitha Dassanayeka COM/PP/2025/64. Presented by Hon. Nanda Bandara, M.P. Investigated on 05.08.2025. Ministry Reference: 02/03/23/48/2021 Date : 18.02.2022	The petitioner has joined the Special Task Force of the Sri Lanka Police on 01.07.1995 as a Sub-Inspector of Police, and in March 2005, while serving at the Police Headquarters Anti-Corruption Unit of the Kegalle Police Division, a complaint was filed by a group of individuals against the petitioner in connection	(a) The petitioner was charged in the Kegalle Magistrate's Court in relation to an incident that occurred while he was serving as the OIC of the Kegalle Anti-Corruption Unit, and was found guilty on all charges and was sentenced to a suspended	If there are other allegations against the petitioner in his service record, the said documents were requested to be submitted and he was informed to submit information about officers who have been dismissed

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		<p>with a raid conducted by the then Senior Superintendent of Police. Accordingly, the case filed against five people including the petitioner in the Kegalle Magistrate's Court ultimately found them guilty and suspended sentences were given by the Court. In the disciplinary inquiry conducted in conjunction with the court case, the disciplinary inquiry officer had recommended that the petitioner and the group be acquitted and released, but the IGP did not take it into consideration and dismissed them from service at his discretion. This petition has been filed requesting that the dismissal order be revoked and they be reinstated.</p>	<p>sentence of imprisonment. The police conducted a preliminary investigation and a formal disciplinary inquiry into the incident, and all the accused officers, including the petitioner, were acquitted and released.</p> <p>(b) It is stated that the petitioner was dismissed from service by the DIG on 11.05.2011, by the powers vested in the National Police Commission as per the Extraordinary Gazette No. 1449/12 and dated 15.06.2006, that allow the officers who are accused in court to be dismissed or other punishments to be imposed.</p> <p>(c) Petitioner's statement that a suspended sentence of imprisonment does not have effect as a disqualification for a post and for loss of the post or as a deprivation or suspension of pension or other benefit as provided for in the Code of Criminal Procedure No. 47 of 1999 (Amended)</p>	<p>from service under disciplinary orders due to having received suspended sentence of imprisonment, but are currently in service despite such sentences or who have not been subjected to any punishment under disciplinary orders as a report to the Committee. After receiving the relevant reports, the Committee will re-examine this petition at a future date and issue a final recommendation.</p>

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism				
64	<p>Mr. J.A.U.A. Perera COM/PP/2025/112. Presented by Hon. Ruwan Mapalagama, M.P. Investigated on 21.08.2025 Ministry Reference: FA/A13/Admin/ 2024 Date : 09.04.2025</p>	<p>The petitioner, who joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a Development Officer in 2013 and served in various departments on internal assignments, alleges that on 20.05.2016, the Secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs called for applications from the Development Officer Service for four vacant Executive Assistant (Liasion) posts in accordance with the recruitment procedure, conducted an open interview and selected four officers, including the petitioner, and that appointment letters were issued only by giving the post title without following the Establishments Code. He further states that despite making written requests to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on several occasions to be absorbed into the regular post, he has been prejudiced by the fact that only two others were given permanent departmental appointments due to political interference. The petitioner has filed this petition requesting that a fair hearing be held in this regard and necessary steps be taken to make the appointment granted a formal departmental appointment.</p>	<p>a) After the petitioner submitted this petition to the Parliamentary Committee on Public Petitions, an appeal was also submitted to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, which is currently under consideration.</p>	<p>The Committee suspended the hearing/issuance of recommendations on the petition as it is a matter pending before the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.</p>

Second Report of the Committee on Public Petitions for the Period from 01.06.2025 to 31.08.2025 in the First Session of the Tenth Parliament under Standing Order 125 (5) of Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

S.N.	Details of the petition	Relief Sought	Observations of the Committee	Recommendation of the Committee
Ministry of women and child affairs				
65	<p>Mrs. P.R. Pradeepika Withana. COM/PP/2025/165. Presented by Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera, M.P. Investigated on 07.08.2025 Ministry Reference: MWCA/02/01/24/03 Date : 08.01.2024</p>	<p>The petitioner has submitted this petition requesting that the relevant officials be called upon to conduct a re-investigation, stating that the Kataragama “Nena Sarana” Child development center, which is under the Department of Probation and Child Care of Uva Provincial Council, has been closed down and that the recommendations made by the Committee on Public Petitions of the Ninth Parliament that the development activities on the land where the “Nena Sarana” child development center is located be suspended for 03 months and the activities of the child development center be resumed in the same building with the previous staff, have not been implemented.</p>	<p>(a) Although this child development center, which was started to rehabilitate street children in Kataragama area and was taken over by the Department of Probation and Child Care of Uva Provincial Council in 2013, has made great progress both physically and qualitatively, after 2017, the “Nena Sarana” Child Development Center faced many major problems and was closed in 2023.</p> <p>(b) Shortage of officers and employees has become a major problem in running government child development centers.</p> <p>(c) It has been recognized that placing child victims, child suspects and child offenders in the same child development center as children on probation, has created numerous problems when providing care and rehabilitation to them.</p>	<p>It was informed that an assessment should be made regarding the re-establishment of the currently closed “Nena Sarana Child Development Center” and a report should be submitted to the Committee in this regard, taking into account the needs of new child development centers that may arise in accordance with the new policies of the government and the amendments to the existing child laws. After receiving the relevant report, the Committee will re-examine this petition at a future date and issue the final recommendation.</p>

Model petition

Annexure II

*" Honorable Speaker,
"I present this petition."*

This note must be written and signed by a current Member of Parliament at the top of the petition itself. (Submitting the petition with a covering letter from the Member is not sufficient.)

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date and official seal of the presenting Member
(If there is no official seal, please state the name)

D Ex:Disanayake Mudiyanseelage Padma Bandara
No. 65/5, Piliyandala Road, Maharagama

Petitioner's full name :
Residential Address: (Not office address)
National Identity Card Number:
Landline number: Mobile number:
Other :
Date :

If a previous petition has been filed in relation to the relief sought in this petition, it is preferable to include the number of that petition.

Hon. Speaker
Parliament of Sri Lanka
Sri Jayewardenepura
Kotte

For example:- Getting my job back, which I lost while on formal leave.

Honorable Speaker ,

For example:- I, Dissanayake Mudiyanseelage Padma Bandara, joined the Sri Lanka Police on 2015.01.01 as a trainee Sub-Police Constable (P.C. 147XX) and was serving in the Maharagama Police. On 2019.05.30, I formally applied for leave for 02 days and left the workplace due to serious illness. However, due to the worsening of my illness, I had to undergo inpatient treatment at the Kalubowila Teaching Hospital for 03 weeks. I informed the workplace that I was hospitalized by telegram on 2019.06.02. However, in a letter dated 2019.06.15, an order to leave the service has been issued to me with effect from 2019.06.02 (stating that I did not report to work without being informed). The receipt of the telegram, copies of medical records and other relevant documents may be submitted when necessary.

(Title) (The title should be brief and indicate the desired solution to the injustice that has occurred).

(The injustice that has occurred)
should be presented clearly , with dates and times , in a respectful manner, containing only essential and important facts about the incident and the aggrieved person, in such a way that the relevant institution or ministry can easily find the facts. It should not contain irrelevant statements , and it should not have any letters , documents or copies thereof attached to it.

Expected relief)
The relief requested must be specifically stated.

For example:- Hon. Speaker, I respectfully request you to look into this matter and make arrangements to reinstate me. (Here, the relief sought should be specifically stated as shown in the example above, rather than simply stating that justice should be done or that relief should be provided.)

Petitioner's signature)
.....
Petitioner's signature/thumb print (A person who cannot write must affix his/her thumb print in the presence of a witness)

