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பாராளுமன்ற வெளியீட்டுத்
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Submission of observations and actions taken by the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance, regarding the report presented to Parliament by the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA) concerning Ministries, Departments, Provincial Councils, and Local Authorities.

Parliamentary Series No. 490 Report of the Committee on Public Accounts – Colombo Municipal Council.

Following the investigation of the affairs of Ministries and Departments by the Committee on Public Accounts as per the revised Standing Order No. 119(4) of the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance is required to submit to Parliament his observations and the steps taken regarding the observations, recommendations, and orders contained in the report presented to Parliament by the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA).

Accordingly, the report compiled by the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA) based on the investigation into the Colombo Municipal Council, which was conducted during the First Session of the Tenth Parliament, is contained in Parliamentary Series No. 490. I hereby present the report containing the observations and actions taken by the Honorable Minister of Finance, Planning, and Economic Development in relation to the said report.

The Colombo Municipal Council has reported its progress regarding the recommendations of the Committee on Public Accounts (COPA) and the direct responsibility for this matter lies with the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, and Local Government. Observations were also sought from the Finance Commission regarding the contents of the report and the Finance Commission has informed that the report does not contain matters in which they can intervene directly. I wish to bring to the attention of the Honorable Parliament that the Director General has been instructed to advise the officers representing the Department of Management Audit who participate in the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, and Local Government, to fully discuss these recommendations during the said committee meetings.

Sgd.

Anura Kumara Dissanayake

Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

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Name of the Department

: Colombo Municipal Council

Submission of the observations and measures taken by Hon.Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Standing Order No. 119(4) regarding the report on the Colombo Municipal Council tabled by the Committee on Public Accounts of Parliament, to the Parliament

<u>No</u>	<u>Shortcomings identified by the Committee as mentioned in the report</u>	<u>Measures taken by the Institute to rectify such shortcomings / Present status</u>
01.	Collection of arrears of assessment revenue. Page 09 – d Recommendations of the Committee	The Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the follow-up on the progress reported on the matters recommended by the Committee regarding the recovery of arrears of assessment revenue.
02	Issues related to 168 lands owned by the Municipal Council Page 10 – d Recommendations of the Committee	The Colombo Municipal Council has reported progress in this regard and, it is observed that these matters do not fall directly within the scope of the Ministry of Finance. However, the Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the follow-up on these matters.
03	Elie House Land, Modara Page 14 – d Recommendations of the Committee	It is observed that the Colombo Municipal Council has reported the progress on this recommendation, and since it is not directly relevant to the purview of the Ministry of Finance, there are no other observations on it. The Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the follow-up on these matters.

04	Misuse of the Borella Cemetery Keeper's quarters and land. Page 20 – d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is observed that the Ministry of Finance has no direct involvement regarding the matters indicated under the Committee's recommendations and the progress of their implementation and, therefore, the Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the follow-up on this matter during the said committee meetings.
05	Locations leased for the burial of corpses and locations permitted for the interment of ashes at the Borella Cemetery. Page No. 22– d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is observed that the Ministry of Finance has no direct involvement regarding the observations and recommendations highlighting the need for a proper program to manage the land extent of the Borella Cemetery and, accordingly, the Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the follow-up on the matters reported by the Municipal Commissioner of the Colombo Municipal Council in this regard.
06	Wastewater Pumping Station and Wastewater Treatment Plant. Page 25 – d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is observed as appropriate for the Colombo Municipal Council to take further action regarding the recommendations made in relation to the Wastewater Pumping Station and the Wastewater Treatment Plant and, it can also be pointed out that as these matters do not involve direct intervention within the scope of the Ministry of Finance, the relevant Ministry should adopt a follow-up process. Nevertheless, the Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the said recommendations during those committee meetings.
07	Deficiencies in the collection of rental fees from parking lot contractors. Page 26 – d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is observed that the Colombo Municipal Council must take prompt action regarding the Committee's observations on the recovery of outstanding installments from parking lot rental contractors and the problematic situations that have arisen in the procurement process and, further it can be pointed out that the relevant Ministry should conduct a proper follow-up in this regard. The Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management

		Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss these recommendations during the committee meetings
08	Issues related to the Bus Stop Billboard Project, Gantry Signal Boards, and Smart Street Light projects. Page 31 – d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is pointed out that the Ministry of Finance has no direct involvement regarding the observations in this matter and, accordingly, the Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss the said recommendations during those committee meetings.
09	Staff Vacancies. Page 31 – d: Recommendations of the Committee	It is pointed out that, in case of any assistance is required regarding staff vacancies, it would be appropriate to obtain the observations and recommendations of the Department of Management Services under this Ministry and also that it is appropriate to call for reports from the relevant Ministry as no progress has been reported regarding these recruitments. The Director General has been informed to instruct the officers representing the Department of Management Audit at the Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government, to fully discuss these recommendations during the committee meetings.

Observations were also sought from the Finance Commission regarding the matters included in the above report, and they have informed that the report does not contain any matters in which the Finance Commission can directly intervene.

Information regarding the observations and the measures taken by the Honorable Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, in respect of the reports presented by the Committee on Public Accounts under Standing Order No. 119(4) concerning the Colombo Municipal Council for Parliamentary Series No. 490, is hereby kindly submitted.

Sgd.

Dr. Harshana Suriyapperuma

Secretary

Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

