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ආයතනයේ නම -රෙජිස්ට්‍රාර් ජනරාල් දෙපාර්තමේන්තුව

පාර්ලිමේන්තුවේ රජයේ ගිණුම් පිළිබඳ කාරක සභාව විසින් සභාගත කරන

ලද වාර්තා සම්බන්ධයෙන් ස්ථාවර නියෝග අංක 119(4) යටතේ

ගරුආයතන භාර අමාත්‍යවරයාගේ නිරීක්ෂණ හා ගනු ලබන පියවර

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නිලවනත්තීන් පෙයාර් : පතිවෘලාර් නෘයකත් තිනෙකකුලම්

පාරාලුමන්තත්තීන් අරස කනකුකු කුමුවිනාල් මුන්වෙකකුකුප්ප්ප්ප්
අතිකක තොට්ටාක තිලෙයියත් කට්ටනෙ ඉලකක 119(4) ඉන් කීழ්

නිලවනකුකුතිරුප් පොත්තුවෘන කෙලරව අමෙසුසරීන්
අවතෘනිප්පුකකුලම් මත්තූම් අතු තොට්ටාක උකුකුප්ප්ප්ප්
තඩවකුකකුකුලම් පාරාලුමන්තත්තිරු සමර්ප්පිත්තල්.

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Name of the Institution – Registrar General's Department

Submission of the Observations of Hon.Minister in charge of the

institutions and steps taken with regard to the reports tabled by

the Committee on Public Accounts in terms of Standing Order

119(4).

**Presentation carried out on the observations and future steps of the Minister in charge
of the Institution in relation to the reports submitted to the parliament by the
Committee On Public Accounts relevant to the Ministries, Departments, Provincial
Councils and Local Authority Institutions**

-Financial year 2023-

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Department- Registrar General's Department

First Part

Serial No.	Deficiencies identified in accordance with the report	Actions taken in relevant to that and current progress
1	In terms of Public Accounts Circular No.171/2004 and dated 11.05.2004 , computer pass word relevant to the software of salary preparation had not been changed once in three months.	Relevant pass words have been changed by now and necessary actions have been taken to change the first, second and third pass words relevant to the software of salary preparation once in three months.
2	Replies had not been provided for each and every audit queries of the Auditor General within one month.	Since replies have to be obtained from the regional offices under this Department as well, delays can be occurred. Therefore, providing sub-replies have been carried out by now until forwarding final reply.
3	It was reported that instances of non providing replies within one month period for internal audit queries.	Instructions have been given to aware the officers of the sub offices including head office so as to provide replies for internal audit queries within due period in staff officers meetings, audit management meetings and progress

		review meetings .Action is being taken by now to submit replies in due date for internal audit queries.
4	Daily running charts and monthly summary reports for pool vehicles had not been presented to the Auditor General.	Daily running charts and monthly summary reports are being presented to the Auditor general by now.
5	A vehicle which was condemned had not been disposed within less than 08 months period.	Request letters have been sent for obtaining approval by the Department of Motor Traffic by now for the cancellation of registration so as to unable to re-sell the vehicle due to approval has been received to hand over 06 vehicles which were proposed to be disposed, to the Technical College.
6	Proper actions had not been taken in terms of Financial Regulations regarding government vehicle accidents.	A committee has been appointed for the preparation of FR reports relevant to vehicle accidents by now and action has been taken to complete it expeditiously .
7	In terms of FR 94(1) from the provisions provided for an expenditure head, commitment had been incurred so as to exceed the provisions limit remained at the end of the year, after utilized.	Only for recurrent expenditure . commitment had been incurred so as to exceed the provisions limit remained at the end of the year .For that purpose, When financial provision appears in the Estimates of the current financial year for similar expenditure is

		envisaged even in the ensuing financial year as per FR 94(2), a department may, notwithstanding the provisions of FR 94 (1) , incur a commitment which will fall due to be discharged in the ensuing financial year.
8	There were outstanding loan balances from the period more than one year.	The outstanding loan balances of more than one year are being investigated and the possibilities of further recovery are being recovered, and the activities of getting approval for the recovery of the death gratuity and pensions gratuity of deceased and retired officers is also being carried out, and the activities of collecting the gratuities is being carried out by sending letters to the officers who have been suspended, vacation of post, dismissed and resigned and to the debtors who have guarantors, at least in installments . Legal action is being taken against the officers who do not make any loan payments in installments. Furthermore, in accordance with the Public Finance Circular No. 01/2024 dated 2024.05.29, a debt write-off committee has been appointed to write off the debt balances with the approval of the Ministry and the Treasury and necessary measures are being taken to write off the debt.

9	In terms of FR 371, ad-hoc imprest issued had not been settled within one month immediately after the completion of the purpose .	Ad-hoc imprests are given to all the offices under the Department and instructions have been given to settle it immediately after the completion of the purpose . All offices under the department will be given interim heads and instructions have been given to resolve the matter within a month of completion of the relevant work. Action has been taken as per the instructions given so far.
10	Cadre has been recruited by exceeding the approved limit.	While the Development Officers recruited to the public service in accordance with government policy decisions have been deployed in the service beyond the approved limit, approval has been granted for 1698 Development Officers vide the letter DMS/1190/Vol.III dated 2025.01.29. of the Department of Management Services.

Part Two

Serial No.	Deficiencies identified in accordance with the report	Actions taken in relevant to that and current progress
1	According to the provisions of Public Administration Circular No.02/2018 dated 24 January 2018, duly prepared Human Resource Plan had not been prepared.	Even though a human resources plan had been prepared for the year 2023, it was observed that the plan was not in accordance with the provisions of Public Administration Circular No. 02/2018 dated 24 January 2018. A human resources plan has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Public Administration Circular No. 02/2018 for the period 2024/2025.
2	The prepared human resource plan did not ensure that more than 50% of the staff received at least 12 hours of training per year.	According to the Human Resources Plan for the year 2023, 40 training programs were planned and 37 physical and online training programs were conducted in the year 2023. However, I agree that training opportunities of not less than 12 hours have not been provided to more than 50% of the staff. Currently, training programs have been planned so as to officers receive training opportunities of not less than 12 hours as per Public Administration Circular No.02/2018 .
3	Audit opinion on the accounts of the institution, qualified level/ disclaimer level/adverse level	Necessary steps are being taken to achieve a fair audit opinion on the institution's accounts.

4	Recommendations of the Auditor General's Report had not been implemented.	Action is being taken to implement the recommendations in the Auditor General's Report..
5	Recommendations/directions of Committee On Public Accounts had not been implemented	I would like to kindly inform you that the recommendations/directions of the Committee on Public Accounts have been given to the Ministry.
6	All officers had not submitted asset and liability declarations.	Although fifty-eight (58) officers are required to submit asset and liability declarations, only fifty-two (52) officers have submitted asset and liability declarations. The remaining six (06) officers have been given written notices to submit asset and liability declarations. However, asset and liability declarations for the year 2024 have been submitted.



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Recommendation of the Secretary

Measures taken by the Registrar General are recommended and instructions have been given to Registrar General to pay personal attention on the other shortcomings pointed out and to take corrective measures regarding them.



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Recommendation of the Minister and the Action Taken

Instruction have been given by me to the Ministry Secretary to take necessary steps by paying special attention on the instructions given to the Registrar General by the Committee on Public Accounts, to ensure that such shortcomings may not occur again and it is expected that the such measures would enable the provable level to reach the optimum level within the year 2026.



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