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பாராளுமன்றக் கூட்டத்தொடர் இல.: 492

மீயுயர் நீதிமன்றங்களின் நீதிபதிகள்

**Parliamentary Series No. – 492**

**Judges of the Superior Courts**

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பாராளுமன்ற வெளியீட்டுத் தொடர் இலக்கம் : 492

நிறுவனத்தின் பெயர் : மீயுயர் நீதிமன்ற நீதிபதிகள் - தலைப்பு இல: 04

பாராளுமன்றத்தின் அரசு கணக்குக் குழுவினால் முன்வைக்கப்பட்ட அறிக்கை தொடர்பாக நிலையியற் கட்டளை இலக்கம் 119(4) இன் கீழ் கௌரவ அமைச்சரின் அவதானிப்புக்களும் மற்றும் அது தொடர்பாக எடுக்கப்படும் நடவடிக்கைகளும் பாராளுமன்றத்திற்கு சமர்ப்பித்தல்.

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Submission of observations of Hon. Minister and steps taken with regard to the reports tabled by the Committee on Public Accounts in terms of Standing Order No. 119(4)



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**Name of the Institution - Judges of the Superior Courts**

**Finance Year 2023 - Part 1**

|    | <b>Shortcomings identified by the Committee</b>                                                                            | <b>Action taken by the Institution to rectify the shortcomings/current status</b>                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| 01 | The Register of Risks had not been maintained in an updated manner.                                                        | Measures will be taken to maintain it from 2026 onward.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 02 | Documents confirming the ownership of all vehicles were not available.                                                     | The relevant documents have now been updated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 03 | Log books relating to all vehicles had not been properly maintained and updated.                                           | Log books are not maintained for official vehicles used by the Superior Court Judges, considering the security and confidentiality requirements of the Honourable Judges.                                                                                                    |
| 04 | Actions had not been taken on accidents occurred to vehicles owned by the government as per the Financial Regulations.     | From the year 2026 onwards, all vehicle accidents will be subjected to investigation in terms of the Financial Regulations.                                                                                                                                                  |
| 05 | Actions had not been taken in terms of Financial Regulations 371 regarding ad hoc sub-imprest within a period of one week. | Necessary actions have already been taken to settle ad hoc sub-imprest in accordance with Financial Regulation 371.                                                                                                                                                          |
| 06 | Actions had not been initiated to table the Annual Performance Report in Parliament under the prescribed procedure         | The Annual Performance Report was presented to Parliament on 08.08.2024.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 07 | An internal audit programme had not been prepared at the beginning of the year in terms of Financial Regulations 134(2).   | Since there is no Internal Audit Unit under the Head 'Judges of the Superior Courts', the audit programme had not been prepared. Form F.R. 71 has been completed and submitted to the Ministry of Justice on 09.02.2026 to obtain approval for the post of Internal Auditor. |
| 08 | The Audit and Management Committee meetings had not been held during the year under review, as required.                   | Since there is no internal audit unit, no internal management audit committee meetings were held. However, arrangements have been made to conduct Audit and Management Committee meetings from the year 2026 onwards.                                                        |

On '5 .05.2026  
In the Supreme Court

  
Registrar  
Supreme Court  
**MANODHI HEWAWASAM**  
Registrar of the Supreme Court/  
Judge of the Sri Lanka Judicial Service

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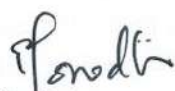
**Finance Year 2023 - Part 2**

|    | <b>Shortcomings identified by the Committee</b>                                                                                                                            | <b>Action taken by the Institution to rectify the shortcomings/current status</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 01 | A Human Resource Plan drafted in keeping with the provisions of public administration Circular No 02/2018 dated 24th January 2018 was not available.                       | A Human Resources Development Plan had not been prepared for the year 2023; however, a Human Resources Development Plan is being prepared for the year 2026.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 02 | The Human Resources Development Plan prepared did not ensure at least 12 hours of annual training for more than 50% of staff.                                              | Training programmes for the Superior Court Judges, including the Hon. Chief Justice, could not be conducted locally due to the insufficient allocation of overseas training opportunities for the year 2023.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 03 | Performance agreements covering the entire staff had not been drafted or entered.                                                                                          | Performance agreements are not prepared for the Superior Court Judges.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 04 | A senior officer of the institution had not been named for the preparation of human resource development plans and to implement capacity and skill development programmes. | At present, a Supreme Court Justice has been appointed to coordinate the training programmes of the Honourable Superior Court Judges.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 05 | The institution had failed to identify the sustainable development goals applicable to its scope.                                                                          | This information was not identified in 2023, but the Sustainable Development Goals relevant to the institution have now been identified. Accordingly, the following activities are being carried out, with special attention given to Sustainable Development Goals 8, 9, and 16.<br><br><b>It is informed that all necessary activities will be carried out alongside digitalization to promote decent work and economic growth; to take the necessary steps to fully digitize the Supreme Court by enhancing its technological capabilities; to promote the rule of law at both national and international levels while</b> |
| 06 | The targets to be reached to achieve the identified sustainable goals had not been decided.                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 07 | The indicators to measure the progress of implementation of Sustainable Development Goals been had not been set.                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |



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|    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ensuring peace and justice; and to promote and enforce laws and policies while ensuring equal access to justice for all. Accordingly, plans have been made to transform the Supreme Court into an environmentally friendly and paperless institution in the future. |
| 08 | Out of the training opportunities planned, the extent of training opportunities granted, was less than 50%.                                                                                                                                                        | Training programmes for the Superior Court Judges, including the Hon. Chief Justice, could not be conducted locally due to the insufficient allocation of overseas training opportunities for the year 2023.                                                        |
| 09 | Recommendations indicated in the Auditor General's Report had not been implemented.                                                                                                                                                                                | Instructions have been issued to the relevant officers to implement all recommendations submitted, and the possible recommendations have now been implemented.                                                                                                      |
| 10 | The institution had not identified three performance indicators which can measure the progress of performing the functions of the institute so as to make its functions clear, in line with para 12.1 of the Public Finance Circular No. 02/2020, dated 28.08.2020 | The relevant indicators have been identified for the year 2026, although they had not been identified in the year 2023.                                                                                                                                             |
| 11 | Actions had not been taken to properly transfer the officers who had completed the maximum service period.                                                                                                                                                         | Transfers are not implemented in respect of Superior Court Judges.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

On 15.05.2026  
In the Supreme Court

  
Registrar  
Supreme Court

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