

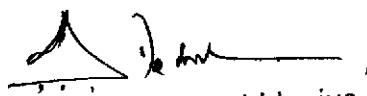
විනිසුරු, විල්.ටී.ඩී.දෙනිදෙනිය
ශ්‍රේෂ්ඨාධිකරණ විනිසුරු (විශ්‍රාමික)
සභාපති
ශ්‍රී (සුඛ) මානව හිමිකම් කොමිෂන් සභාව

Parliament Serial No : 492

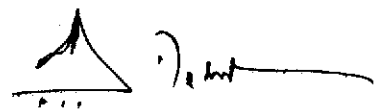
Name of the Institution : Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka

Year : 2023

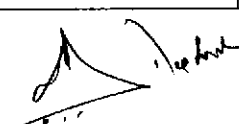
Part 1 : 65.00	
Shortcomings identified by the Report	Actions taken by the Institution to rectify the shortcomings/ current status
i. Public Officers Advance account was not presented on due date.	Since the Human Rights Commission is not a department but a semi-government institution, it does not maintain a Government Officers' Advance "B" Account.
ii. Register of internal Audit queries was not maintained on up to date basis.	Since the position of the Internal Auditor at the Human Rights Commission was vacant, an officer was recruited In 2023, to fill this position. Steps have been taken to maintain the Internal Audit Query Register in an updated manner.
iii. Register of Risk was not maintained up to date basis.	Steps have been taken to prepare and maintain a Risk Register.
iv. Register on membership debtors, (C.C.10) was not maintained up to date basis.	Register on membership debtors is maintained up to date.
v. In terms of State Accounts circular No.171/2004 of 11.05.2004, the first, second and third passwords of the payroll software system was not changed every three months.	The relevant department of the Treasury was informed of the issues existing in the Government Payroll Computer Software System, and action was taken to change the password once every three months.
vi. Replies had not been received to all audit queries raised by the Auditor General within a period of one month.	Replies to received audit queries have been provided to the Department of the Auditor General of Sri Lanka within one month.
vii. The relevant reports had not been submitted to the Auditor General by the due date after conducting board of survey in accordance with F.R 756 (6) within the time frame mentioned in paragraph 11.1 of part 1 of public finance circular number 01/2020 dated 28.08.2020	The board of survey reports for the year 2023 were submitted on 27.08.2024. The board of survey reports for the Head Office and several Regional Offices for the year 2024 were submitted on 03.06.2025. The reports of the remaining offices were submitted before 14.07.2025. It has been planned to submit the reports by the stipulated date.


 Justice L.T.B. Dehideniya
 Judge of the Supreme Court (Retired)
 Chairman
 Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka

viii.	No actions had been taken for the recommendations on excesses and shortages & other recommendations revealed by the board of surveys.	Steps have been taken to implement the recommendations regarding surpluses or shortages identified during the annual board of survey, as well as the other recommendations.
ix.	The emblem of the state had not been painted on all pool vehicles.	As per a Board decision, has not been embossed in the vehicles for security reasons.
x.	Log books on all vehicles were not maintained on up to date basis.	Log books have been updated.
xi.	Actions had not been initiated to table the annual performance report in parliament under the prescribed procedure.	The Human Rights Commission submits the Annual Report to the Parliament. The steps are taken to finalize the Annual Report for 2023 to submit to the Parliament.
xii.	There had been instances where internal audit queries had not been answered within a period of one month.	Steps have been taken to provide replies to internal audit queries within the stipulated time period.
xiii.	Copies of all internal audit reports were not submitted to the Management Audit Department with effect from 01 August 2018 in terms of sub-section 40(4) of the National Audit Act No.19 of 2018.	Necessary steps have been taken to send copies of internal audit reports to the Department of Management Audit.
xiv.	Copies of internal audit reports were not submitted to the Auditor General in terms of Financial Regulation 134(3).	Necessary steps have been taken to send internal audit reports to the Department of the Auditor General.
xv.	Internal Audit programme had not been prepared at the beginning of the year after consulting the Auditor General in terms of financial regulation 134 (2	Steps have been taken to prepare the annual internal audit plan from this year onwards.
xvi.	The required number of Audit and Management Committee meetings had not been held per year.	After the appointment of the Internal Auditor, the first meeting for the year 2023 was held. From this year onwards, meetings are being conducted regularly as scheduled.


 Justice L.T.B. Dehideniya
 Judge of the Supreme Court (Retired)
 Chairman
 Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka

Part 2: 45.00	
i. The audit opinion about the accounts of the institution had been a qualified opinion/disclaimed opinion/an unfavorable opinion.	A qualified opinion has been issued. Necessary actions are being taken to obtain an unqualified opinion by correcting the errors and deficiencies.
ii. Performance agreements covering the entire staff had not been drafted or entered.	Performance agreements have been prepared.
iii. The institution had failed to identify the sustainable development goals applicable to its scope.	Sustainability objectives are being identified under the scope of the organization. Necessary action will be taken.
iv. The targets to be reached to achieve the identified sustainable goals had not been decided.	Identified objectives will be addressed promptly.
v. The indicators to measure the progress of implementation of sustainable development goals been had not been set.	Identified objectives will be carried out suitably.
vi. The institution had not identified three performances indicators which can measure the progress of performing the function of the institute so as to make its function clear, in line with Para 12.1 of the public finance circular no 02/2020, dated 28.08.2020.	Performance indicators have been identified, and actions are being taken accordingly.
vii. Actions had not been taken to properly transfer the officers who had completed the maximum service period.	The Commission falls under the category of semi-government institutions. Therefore, in cases of transfers, employees cannot obtain the facilities and benefits provided under the Government Transfer Policy, such as assistance with school admissions for children and official residential accommodation. When recruiting to different provinces, priority is given to residents of the respective areas. Another reason is that the institution maintains a limited staff.


 Justice L.T.B. Dehideniya
 Judge of the Supreme Court (Retired)
 Chairman
 Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka