

# **Annual Report**

***2019***

**The Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka**

Eventhough legal aid has not been introduced as a fundamental right under Chapter 3 of the 1978 Constitution, Articles 12 (1) and 13 (3) of the Constitution have drawn attention towards this matter.

Article 12(1) of the Constitution - All persons are equal before the law and are entitled to the equal protection of the law.

Article 13(3) of the Constitution - Any person charged with an offence shall be entitled to be heard, in person or by an attorney-at-law, at a fair trial by a competent court.

It has further been confirmed by the Rule No.44 of the Supreme Court Rules of Law of Sri Lanka in 1990.

# Message of the Chairman

The Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka, having reached its 42<sup>nd</sup> year is remembered with heartfelt contentment for the unmatched contribution it has rendered over the past four decades in carrying the country's field of law to the ground level echelon of society. We have been able to take a new step while playing a huge role in the year 2019 as well, as we have treaded towards a new juncture in empowering the ordinary masses who are limited in knowledge, power and economic strength, as well as bringing the law closer to them and thereby offering them an easy access to law.



We have increased our regional centers upto 84 across the island which has expedited and expanded legal aid to the marginal communities of Sri Lanka who have been deprived of the shelter of justice due to poverty, through the mission based on our sole vision, i.e. "to facilitate all Sri Lankans with an easy access to equity, so that they may achieve justice." Therefore, it was a victory for us during this year to be able to alleviate certain difficulties faced by the low income communities, in obtaining free legal assistance.

It is a part of our mission to educate the entire society for the provision of legal knowledge and protection that is necessary for people who are affected by various crimes, violence against women and children as well as social and economic deception. This year, we have implemented programmes covering the whole island in order to impart legal knowledge to school children, communities and various institutions, since the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka is the foremost and the only government institution designed for this purpose.

The challenges encountered while leading a pluralistic society towards justice cannot be underestimated. Armed with a human resource strong enough to withstand the pressure that is being exerted, we have succeeded this year as well in duly maintaining the legal approach for the establishment of social justice to marginalized communities. Despite limited resources, minimum facilities and various deficiencies in human and physical resources, we were able to strengthen citizens who are seeking justice for diverse reasons, yet lacking the necessary resources, which we believe is one of our achievements.

The Ministry of Justice is gratefully remembered for the wide support and auspices extended to all affairs of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka this year, similar to previous years. It was immensely beneficial to the progression of the field of legal aid. I am happy to note that the support from all parties including the staff in this respect is highly commendable.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rohan Sahabandu', written over a light-colored background.

PC Rohan Sahabandu  
Chairman/Administration  
Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka

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# **Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka incorporated by the Legal Aid Act No 27 of 1978**

The most provable feature of the Legal Aid Act No 27 of 1978 was to prepare a policy framework of legal aid facilitation to be launched within the country through a formal mechanism for the implementation of legal aid programme.

The establishment and setting up the operation of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka for the above objectives is the principal function of this Act.

## **Vision :-**

**To facilitate an easy access to equity that would enable administration of justice to all Sri Lankans.**

## **Mission :-**

**Providing legal aid for the impoverished communities in Sri Lanka who are unable to obtain justice due to poverty, providing free legal assistance to low income people, educating the entire society about the law, engaging in counselling services to the government during legislation of new laws and legal reforms, etc. in order to lead the public towards an easy access to justice.**

## **Objectives of the Legal Aid Act No. 27 of 1978**

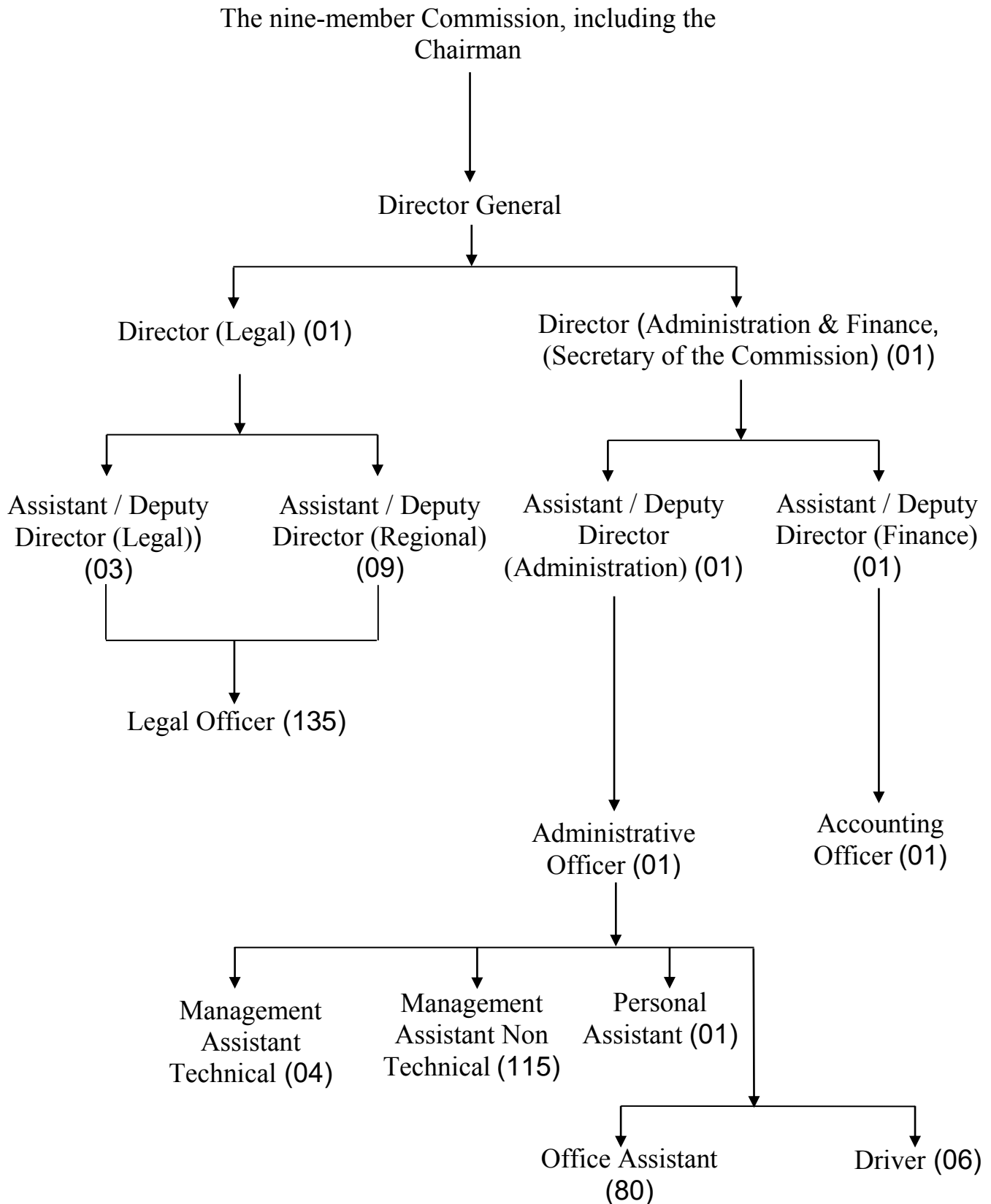
Sections 3 and 4 of the Act No. 27 of 1978.

1. Providing legal advice to any person of any economic level who deserves assistance.
2. Providing services of attorneys for legal proceedings in the lower income tax tribunal.
3. Establishment of regional offices upto a certain amount that the Commission considers necessary to enable as many persons as possible to obtain legal aid.
4. To decide for which matters or types of cases that legal aid can be provided and determine such matters or types of cases.
5. Determining the outline procedures to follow in relation to the payment of fees and expenses by persons assisted, by taking into account the funds available at the time of which the cases have been resolved or settled and taking all relevant recommendations into consideration.
6. To take necessary action to expand the legal aid scheme through inquiry of the community-based professional, social and other groups that are involved in some aspect of providing government institutions and legal aid.
7. Promote, establish, finance and supervise research related to legal aid.
8. With the intention of raising awareness,
  - i. Educating the members of the legal profession regarding the need for a legal aid scheme and their responsibilities, duties and role in the maintenance and participation thereof.
  - ii. Commencement and implementation of educational programs for the people with special needs regarding their rights, powers, privileges and role, and entire community in general under the prevalent laws of Sri Lanka.
9. Employing the staff required for the establishment, development, implementation of research based programmes, problem solving centers and/or projects regarding a special division or divisions on legal aid provision.
10. Obtaining suggestions from the public for new programs and projects and encouraging them in that respect.
11. To cooperate with educational institutions and boards regarding the education and training of those who provide legal aid.
12. To provide information to the public on the ability to obtain legal aid.
13. Submission of information to legal reforms agencies in Sri Lanka and abroad and the government.

# Organization plan approved by the Department of Management

## Services to the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka

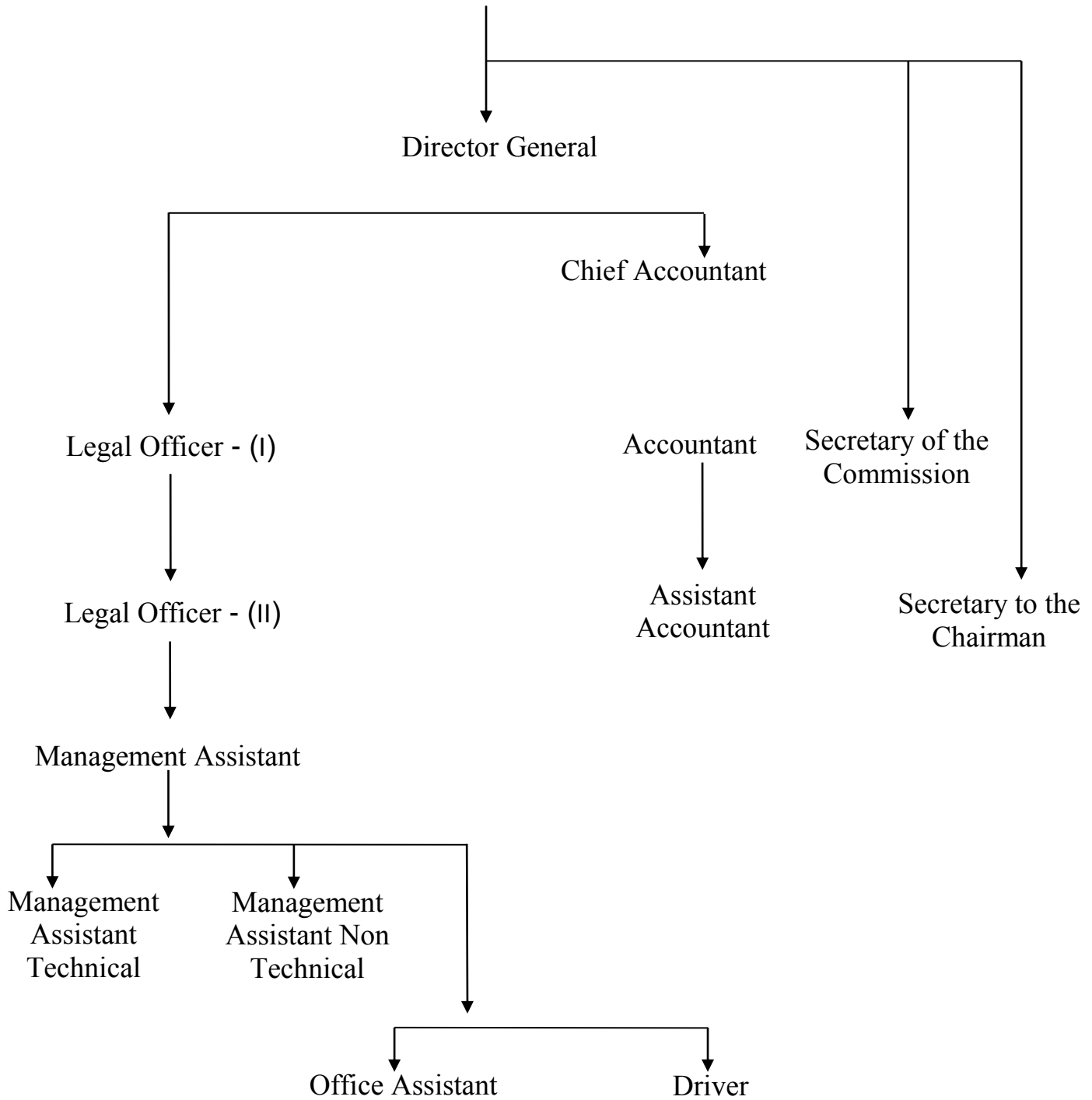
**(From 13.01.2016)**



# Current Organization Chart of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka

**(From 01.01.2019 to 31.12.2019)**

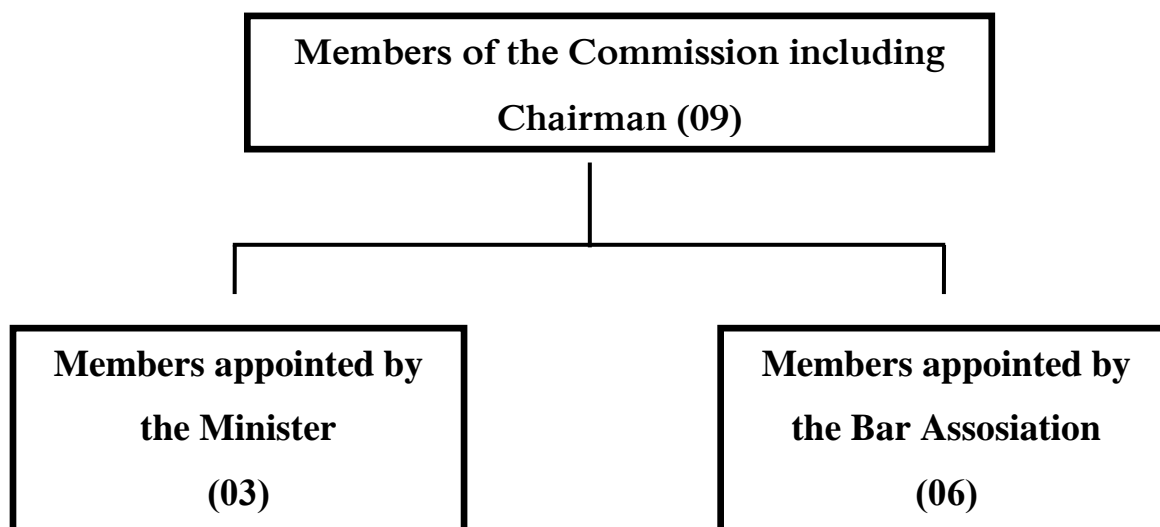
The nine-member Commission, including the Chairman



## Staff of the Legal Aid Commission as at 31.12.2019

Employee Category Level	Designation	Approved Cadre	Existing Cadre
<b>Senior Level</b>	Director General	01	01
	Counsel	-	01
	Director (Legal)	01	-
	Director (Administration & Finance, Secretary, Commission)	01	-
	Assistant / Deputy Director (Legal)	03	-
	Assistant / Deputy Director (Regional)	09	-
	Assistant / Deputy Director (Administration)	01	-
	Assistant / Deputy Director (Finance)	01	-
	Chief Accountant	-	01
	Secretary of the Commission	-	01
	Legal Officers I and II	135	123
Accountant	-	01	
<b>Tertiary Level</b>	Accounting Officer	01	-
	Assistant Accountant	-	01
	Administrative Officer	01	-
	Secretary to the Chairman	-	01
<b>Secondary Level</b>	Management Assistant (Technical)	04	03
	Management Assistant (Non-Technical)	115	97
	Personal Assistant	01	-
<b>Primary Level</b>	Driver	06	02
	Office Assistant	80	53
<b>Total</b>		360	285

## Composition of the Members of the Legal Aid Commission



### Members of Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka in year 2019



PC, Mr. Rohan Sahabandu  
(Chairman)



PC, Mr. Manohara De Silva



PC, Mr. Uditha Igalahewa



PC, Mr. Puvidaran



Mr. J.M. Gunathilake  
Senior Attorney-at-Law



Mr. Priyantha Gamage  
Attorney-at-Law



Mr. Binara Gunasekara  
Attorney-at-Law  
(Administration)



Ms. Hiranya Perera  
Attorney-at-Law-  
(Assistant Secretary -  
Legal, Ministry of Justice)

The Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka consists of three members appointed by the minister of justice and six members nominated by the Bar Association of Sri Lanka, each of them will be appointed for a period of three years. A member may be re-appointed as a member after the expiration of three years' service period. Also, the work of the Commission is monitored by the Legal Aid Board, which is headed by the Chief Justice. The Advisory Board consists of 30 members constituted by 09 members of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka, three members nominated by the Bar Association of Sri Lanka, 06 members to represent the Courts nominated by the Chief Justice, and 12 members nominated by the Minister of Justice to be involved in community, neighborhood, professional, social and other groups, which have a connection to the government, provincial bodies, educational institutions and legal aid sections.

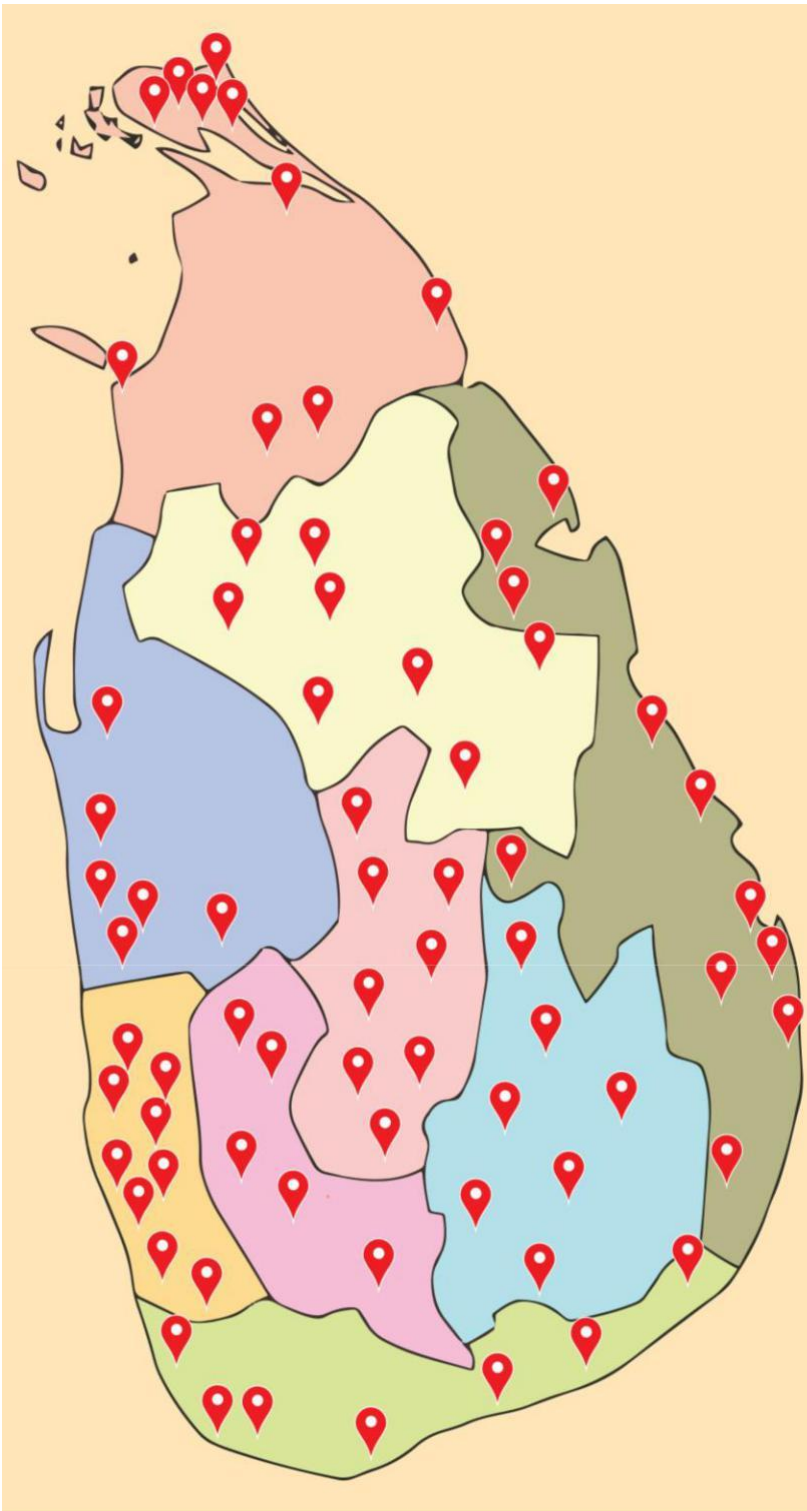
### **Establishment of Legal Aid Centres**

Sri Lanka's Legal Aid Commission completes its 41<sup>st</sup> year by 2019. During the past 41 years, the work was carried out by a network of 84 Regional Offices centered upon Colombo but without being limited to Colombo to achieve the desired objectives of the Commission. During this entire period (1978-2019) the commencement of the regional offices is as follows.

Year	Regional centres established during the period	Total number of regional centres
1978	1	1
1994	3	4
1996	1	5
2003	5	10
2005	2	12
2006	19	31
2007	9	40
2008	6	46
2009	8	54
2010	6	60
2011	7	67
2012	7	74
2013	2	76
2014	0	76
2015	0	76
2016	2	78
2017	4	82
2018	1	83
2019	1	84

Total number of regional offices is 84 as at 31/12/2019.

**Expansion of Centers of Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka**  
**(Map & Regional Centers)**



1	Head Office	43	Kuliyapitiya
2	Akkareipattu	44	Kurunegala
3	Ampara	45	Mahiyanganaya
4	Anuradhapura	46	Mahawa
5	Attanagalla	47	Mannar
6	Awissawella	48	Marawila
7	Baddegama	49	Matale
8	Badulla	50	Matara
9	Balangoda	51	Matugama
10	Balapaitiya	52	Mawanella
11	Bandarawela	53	Minuwangoda
12	Battaramulla	54	Monaragala
13	Borella	55	Mulathiwu
14	Batticaloa	56	Mallakkam
15	Chawakachcheri	57	Muttoor
16	Chillaw	58	Nawalapitiya
17	Dambulla	59	Negambo
18	Deyiyandara	60	Nikaweratiya
19	Deniyaya	61	Nugegoda
20	Dehiaththakandiya	62	Nuwaraeliya
21	Ambilipitiya	63	Panadura
22	Galgamuwa	64	Puttalam
23	Gampaha	65	Poogoda
24	Galagedara	66	Point Pedro
25	Mount Lavinia	67	Polgahawela
26	Galle	68	Polonnaruwa
27	Hambanthota	69	Pottuwil
28	Hatton	70	Ratnapura
29	Higurakgoda	71	Thambuththegama
30	Homagama	72	Tangalle
31	Horana	73	Tissamaharama
32	Jaffna	74	Trincomalee
33	Kadawatha	75	Siyambalanduwa
34	Kaduwela	76	Walachchenei
35	Kalmunei	77	Vavuniya
36	Kalutara	78	Walasmulla
37	Kandy	79	Warakapola
38	Kantale	80	Wariyapola
39	Kebithigollewa	81	Welimada
40	Kegalle	82	Wellawaya
41	Kekirawa	83	Wattala
42	Kilinochchi	84	Hettipola

## Opening of Regional Offices of the Legal Aid Commission, Staff and Courts covered.

The courts that are covered by the Regional Offices established to provide the service of the commission on a regional basis are as follows.

No.	Office	Commencement	No. of employees				Courts covered
			Legal Officers	Management Assistants	Office Assistants	Driver	
01	Colombo	1978	09	08	05	02	Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, Colombo District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Courts, Labour Tribunal. Workmen's Compensation Commission. Fort Magistrate's court Maligakanda Magistrate's Court Loan Relief Board.
02	Kandy	1994	03	02	-	-	Kandy District, Magistrate's Court, High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal. Gampola District, Magistrate's Court. Teldeniya District, Magistrate's Court. Walapane District, Magistrate's Court
03	Anuradhapura	1994	03	02	01	-	Anuradhapura District, Magistrate's Court, High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal. Medawachchiya Magistrate's Court Kahatagasdigiliya Magistrate's Court
04	Galle	1994	02	01	01	-	Galle District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court Labour Tribunal.
05	Kurunegala	1996	04	02	02	-	Kurunegala District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court Labour Tribunal. Wellawa Magistrate's Court Pilessa Magistrate's Court. Rambadagalla Magistrate's Court
06	Hambantota	2003	02	01	01	-	District Court, Magistrates Court, High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Angunakola Pelasssa Magistrate's Court
07	Monaragala	2003	01	01	01	-	Moneragala District, Magistrate's Court High Court Civil Appellate Court. Bibile Magistrate's Court
08	Ampara	2003	01	01	-	-	Ampara District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal.

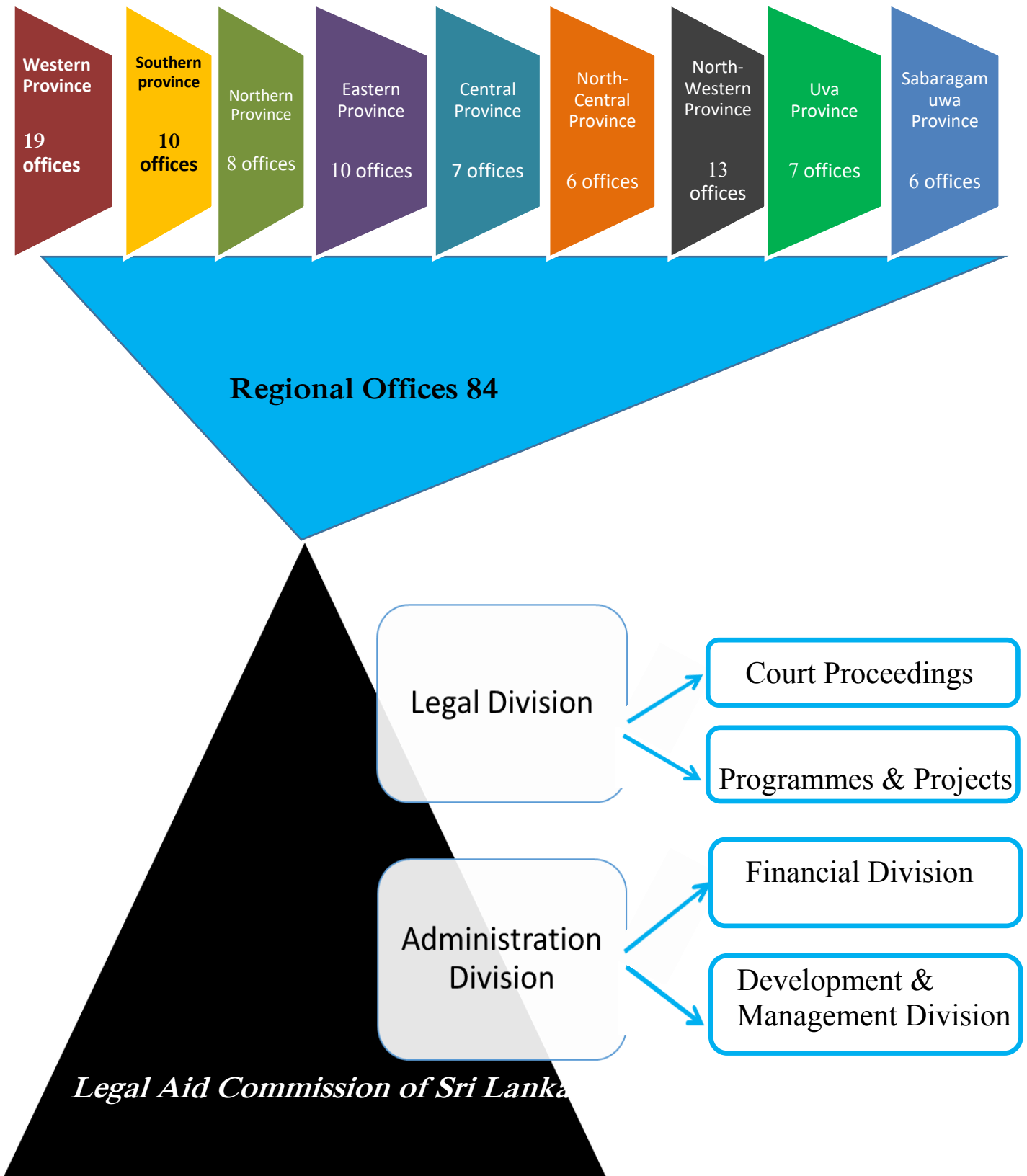
09	Nuwara Eliya	2003	01	01	-	-	Nuwara Eliya District, Magistrate's Court , High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal Walapane District, Magistrate's Court
10	Kegalle	2003	02	01	-	-	Kegalle District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal
11	Balapitiya	2003	02	01	01	-	Balapitiya District, Magistrate's Court, High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal. Elpitiya District, Magistrate's Court.
12	Matara	2005	02	01	01	-	Matara District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal.
13	Vavuniya	2005	03	01	01	-	Vavuniya District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal.
							Akkaraipattu District, Magistrate Court The Quazi Court.
15	Trincomalee	2005	02	01	01	-	Trincomalee District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court.
16	Batticaloa	2005	02	01	01	-	Batticaloa District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court. Eravur Magistrate's Court Kaluwanchikudi Magistrate's Court
17	Chilaw	2005	02	01	01	-	Chilaw District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal.
18	Kalmunei	2005	01	01	01	-	Kalmunai District, Magistrate's Court High Court. Sammanthurei Magistrate's Court The Quazi Court.
19	Ratnapura	2006	02	01	01	-	Ratnapura District, Magistrate's Court High Court and Civil Appellate Court. Pelmadulla District, Magistrate's Court, Labour Tribunal. Kalawana Magistrate's Court.
20	Awissawella	2006	02	01	-	-	Awissawella District Court, High Court Judge, Civil Appellate Court, Labour Tribunal. Ruwanwella District Court, Magistrate.
21	Bandarawela	2006	01	01	01	-	Bandarawela District, Magistrate's Court, Labour Tribunal.
22	Gampaha	2006	02	01	01	-	Gampaha District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labor Tribunal.
23	Jaffna	2006	02	01	-	-	Jaffna District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labor Tribunal. Kayts District, Magistrate's Court.
24	Kalutara	2006	02	01	01	-	Kalutara, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labor Tribunal

25	Matale	2006	01	01	01	-	Matale District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Labor Tribunal. Naula Magistrate's Court
26	Polonnaruwa	2006	02	01	01	-	Polonnaruwa District, Magistrate's Court. High Court
27	Panadura	2006	02	01	01	-	Panadura District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court. Kesbewa District, Magistrate's Court.
28	Mahiyanganaya	2006	01	01	01	-	Mahiyangana District, Magistrate's Court.
29	Kuliyapitiya	2006	02	02	01	-	Kuliyapitiya District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Labor Tribunal. Narammala Magistrate's Court
30	Mahawa	2006	01	01	01	-	Mahawa District, Magistrate's Court
31	Negombo	2006	01	01	-	-	Negombo District, Magistrate's Court High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labor Tribunal. Kanuwana Magistrate's
32	Horana	2007	01	01	01	-	Horana District, Magistrate's Court.
33	Matugama	2007	01	01	-	-	Mathugama District, Magistrate's.
34	Marawila	2007	01	01	-	-	Marawila District, Magistrate's Court.
35	Mawanella	2007	01	01	-	-	Mawanella District, Magistrate's Court. Aranayaka Magistrate's Court.
36	Warakapola	2007	01	01	-	-	Warakapola District, Magistrate's Court
37	Battaramulla	2007	02	01	-	-	Battaramulla Children's Magistrate's Court
38	Dambulla	2007	01	01	-	-	Dambulla District, Magistrate's Court. Kimbissa Magistrate's Court.
39	Attanagalla	2007	01	02	01	-	Attanagalla District, Magistrate's.
40	Deniyaya	2007	01	01	-	-	Deniyaya District, Magistrate's Court.
41	Welimada	2008	01	01	-	-	Welimada District, Magistrate's Court.
42	Nugegoda	2008	01	01	-	-	Nugegoda District, Magistrate's Court.
43	Tissamaharama	2008	01	01	01	-	Tissamaharama District, Magistrate's Court
44	Thambuththegama	2008	01	01	01	-	Thambuththegama Magistrate's Court.
45	Mt. Lavinia	2008	02	01	-	-	Mount Lavinia District, Magistrate's Court, Civil Appellate Court. Moratuwa District, Magistrate's Court
46	Kantale	2008	01	01	-	-	Kantale District, Magistrate's Court.
47	Baddegama	2009	01	01	-	-	Baddegama Magistrate's Court.
48	Badulla	2009	01	01	-	-	Badulla District, Magistrate's Court, High Court, Civil Appellate Court, Labor Tribunal.
49	Embilipitiya	2009	02	01	01	-	Embilipitiya District, Magistrate's Court High Court.
50	Hatton	2009	01	01	01	-	Hatton District, Magistrate's Court, Labor Tribunal.
51	Hingurakgoda	2009	01	01	-	-	Hingurakgoda District, Magistrate's Court.

						Bakamuna Magistrate's Court.
52	Nawalapitiya	2009	01	01	-	Nawalapitiya District, Magistrate's Court
53	Wellawaya	2009	01	01	01	Wellawaya District, Magistrate's Court.
54	Kaduwela	2010	01	01	01	-Kaduwela District, Magistrate's Court.
55	Mannar	2010	02	01	01	-Mannar District, Magistrate's Court.
56	Muttur	2010	02	01	-	-Muttur District, Magistrate's Court.
57	Mullaitivu	2010	03	01	01	-Mullaitivu District, Magistrate's Court.
58	Tangalle	2010	01	01	-	Tangalle District, Magistrate's Court. High Court.
59	Valachchenai	2010	01	01	-	Valachchenai District, Magistrate's Court.
60	Walasmulla	2010	01	01	01	Walasmulla District, Magistrate's Court.
61	Wariyapola	2011	01	01	01	Wariyapola District, Magistrate's Court,
62	Point Pedro	2011	01	01	01	Point Pedro District, Magistrate's Court,
63	Pottuvil	2011	02	01	-	-Pottuvil District, Magistrate's Court,
64	Kadawatha	2011	01	01	01	-Kadawatha Magistrate's Court
65	Kekirawa	2011	01	01	-	-Kekirawa District, Magistrate's Court
66	Kilinochchi	2011	03	01	01	Kilinochchi District, Magistrate's Court
67	Chavakacheri	2011	01	01	-	Chavakacheri District, Magistrate's Court.
68	Balangoda	2011	01	01	-	-Balangoda District, Magistrate's Court.
69	Pugoda	2012	01	01	-	-Pugoda District, Magistrate's Court,
70	Polgahawela	2012	01	01	-	-Polgahawela Magistrate's Court
71	Kebithigollewa	2012	01	01	-	Kebithigollewa District, Magistrate's Court, Padaviya Magistrate's Court
72	Galgamuwa	2012	01	01	-	-Galgamuwa Magistrate's Court,
73	Homagama	2012	01	01	01	Homagama District, Magistrate's Court
74	Deiyandara	2012	01	01	-	-Deiyandara Magistrate's Court.'
75	Minuwangoda	2013	01	01	-	-Minuwangoda District, Magistrate's.
76	Nikaweratiya	2013	01	01	-	-Nikaweratiya District, Magistrate's.
77	Mallakam	2016	01	01	-	Mallakam District, Magistrate's Court
78	Puttalam	2016	01	01	-	Puttalam District, Magistrate's Court -High Court, Kalpitiya Magistrate's Court Anamaduwa Magistrate's Court
79	Siyambalanduwa	2017	01	01	01	-Siyambalanduwa Magistrate's Court
80	Dehiaththakandiya	2017	01	01	01	-Dehiaththakandiya Magistrate's Court
81	Borella	2017	01	01	01	Labour Tribunal, Borella, Labour Tribunal, Battaramulla, Debt Conciliation Board
82	Galagedara	2017	01	01	01	-Galagedara Magistrate's Court
83	Wattala	2018	01	01	01	- Magistrate's Court, Wattala

							Labour Tribunal, Wattala
<b>84</b>	Hettipola	2019	01	01	01	-	Hettipola Magistrate's Court

# Organizational Composition of the Legal Aid Commission



# Legal Division

# Legal Division

## 1. Role

Mainly the role of the Legal Division is twofold.

1.1 Conducting legal counselling.

1.2 Providing free legal assistance for cases of those with low income and incapacity.

### 1.1 Legal Counselling

Legal counselling is done in several ways. Clients who seek this do not necessarily need to come to our offices in person, but still they can turn to the counselling activities.

1. Issues encountered by clients who come in person to the locally established Legal Aid offices will be discussed and clarified and, where necessary, advice will be given on further action as well.
2. Similarly, when various villages or settlements are visited to conduct legal clinics, the legal counseling work is opportunely carried out to the public who reach us.
3. Further, the legal issues of Sinhala readers are answered through Lankadeepa newspaper under the column, "Neethi Sarana", whereas, those of English readers are answered through Daily News news paper once every two weeks.
4. Legal issues referred through mail by clients will also be replied by the post.
5. Clients who connect through the Legal Aid Commission Hot Line are responded via telephone.

In providing this service, the Legal Aid Commission will not consider the income or the citizenship of the clients. Our legal officers will carry out the necessary legal counselling work regardless of the rank of any person who comes to our office or mobile clinic or anyone who contacts us through phone or postal mail. Hence, this is not an exclusive privilege to be obtained by just one group of individuals based on the economic disparity. This is a service that anyone can obtain.

### 1.1.1 Number of Clients Referred for Legal Counselling in 2019

No.	Centre	Number of clients referred for legal counselling for the first time (January-December 2019)	No. of repeat counseling (January-December 2019 )	Total
01	Anuradhapura	762	333	1095
02	Ampara	361	1482	1843
03	Avissawella	669	1281	1950
04	Attanagalla	386	776	1162
05	Akkareipattu	422	38	460
06	Bandarawela	274	1836	2110
07	Battaramulla	621	1220	1841
08	Baddegama	236	1102	1338
09	Badulla	1563	-	1563
10	Balapitiya	520	991	1511
11	Batticaloa	889	109	998
12	Balangoda	350	65	415
13	Colombo	2483	1001	3484
14	Chilaw	704	2767	3471
15	Chavakachcheri	80	346	426
16	Dambulla	306	874	1180
17	Deniyaya	379	1583	1962
18	Deyyandara	691	191	882
19	Embilipitiya	477	3390	3867
20	Gampaha	258	495	753
21	Galle	559	1936	2495
22	Galgamuwa	189	1182	1371
23	Horana	881	3296	4177
24	Hatton	255	1690	1945
25	Hingurakgoda	310	1029	1339
26	Hambantota	622	1647	2269
27	Homagama	470	1501	1971
28	Jaffna	381	446	827
29	Kandy	994	55	1049
30	Kurunegala	754	-	754
31	Kegalle	440	524	964
32	Kuliyapitiya	715	3515	4230
33	Kantale	163	944	1107
34	Kaduwela	407	844	1251
35	Kalmunei	405	62	467
36	Kalutara	1455	624	2079
37	Kekirawa	570	1182	1752
38	Kadawatha	277	1240	1517
39	Kebithigollewa	134	390	524
40	Kilinochchi	406	1831	2237
41	Matale	326	548	874

42	Mahiyanganaya	328	2002	2330
43	Matugama	387	1888	2275
44	Mahawa	319	1471	1790
45	Marawila	216	1675	1891
46	Mawanella	315	898	1213
47	Mallakam	364	1839	2203
48	Mt. Lavinia	349	439	788
49	Mannar	330	412	742
50	Monaragala	611	1053	1664
51	Muttur	188	75	263
52	Mullaitivu	311	193	504
53	Matara	625	2821	3446
54	Minuwangoda	253	1190	1443
55	Nikaweratiya	269	1556	1825
56	Nuwara Eliya	295	818	1113
57	Negombo	556	932	1488
58	Nugegoda	287	983	1270
59	Nawalapitiya	201	788	989
60	Polonnaruwa	314	1640	1954
61	Panadura	812	1980	2792
62	Pottuwil	216	688	904
63	Point Pedro	172	1809	1981
64	Polgahawela	206	499	705
65	Pugoda	327	525	852
66	Puttalam	242	556	798
67	Rathnapura	548	1439	1987
68	Tissamaharama	431	770	1201
69	Thambuttegama	284	595	879
70	Tangalle	260	1342	1602
71	Trincomalee	440	39	479
72	Vavuniya	385	124	509
73	Valaichchenai	696	296	992
74	Warakapola	217	944	1161
75	Welimada	378	1588	1966
76	Walasmulla	380	1421	1801
77	Wariyapola	234	555	789
78	Wellawaya	164	1899	2063
79	Dehiaththakandiya	268	932	1200
80	Siyambalanduwa	498	501	999
81	Borella	440	1172	1612
82	Galagedara	489	184	673
83	Wattala	157	360	517
84	Hettipola	254	478	732
<b>Total</b>		<b>38160</b>	<b>87735</b>	<b>125895</b>

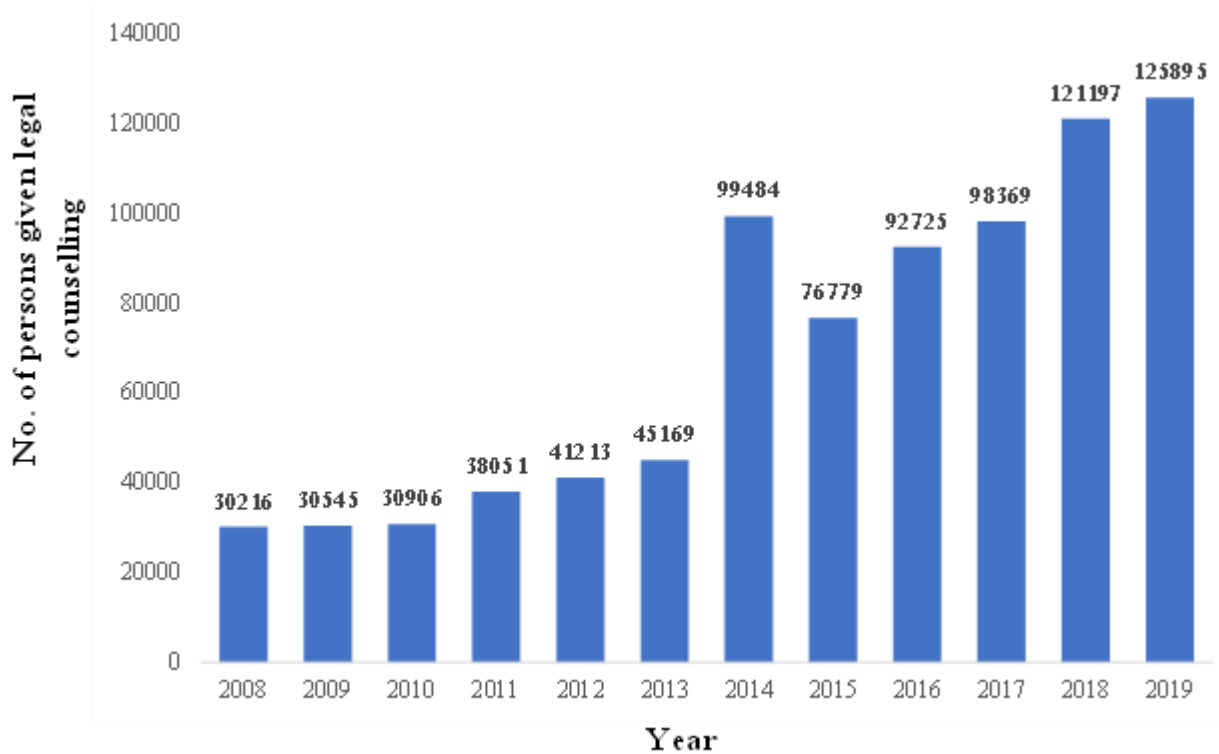
### 1.1.2 The number of clients who underwent legal counselling for the first time in 2019 by gender

No.	Centre	Number of clients referred for legal counselling for the first time (January-December 2019)	No. of repeat counseling (January-December 2019 )	Total
01	Anuradhapura	636	126	762
02	Ampara	272	89	361
03	Avissawella	486	183	669
04	Attanagalla	285	101	386
05	Akkareipattu	396	26	422
06	Bandarawela	213	61	274
07	Battaramulla	306	315	621
08	Baddegama	179	57	236
09	Badulla	1433	130	1563
10	Balapitiya	400	120	520
11	Batticaloa	829	60	889
12	Balangoda	251	99	350
13	Colombo	1334	1149	2483
14	Chilaw	422	282	704
15	Chavakachcheri	65	15	80
16	Dambulla	252	54	306
17	Deniyaya	320	59	379
18	Deyyandara	477	214	691
19	Embilipitiya	418	59	477
20	Gampaha	171	87	258
21	Galle	353	206	559
22	Galgamuwa	147	42	189
23	Horana	672	209	881
24	Hatton	225	30	255
25	Hingurakgoda	241	69	310
26	Hambantota	353	269	622
27	Homagama	341	129	470
28	Jaffna	282	99	381
29	Kandy	474	520	994
30	Kurunegala	535	219	754
31	Kegalle	325	115	440
32	Kuliyapitiya	512	203	715
33	Kantale	130	33	163
34	Kaduwela	113	294	407
35	Kalmunei	323	82	405
36	Kalutara	951	504	1455
37	Kekirawa	396	174	570
38	Kadawatha	80	197	277
39	Kebithigollewa	129	5	134

40	Kilinochchi	331	75	406
41	Matale	250	76	326
42	Mahiyanganaya	268	60	328
43	Matugama	292	95	387
44	Mahawa	240	79	319
45	Marawila	201	15	216
46	Mawanella	246	69	315
47	Mallakam	328	36	364
48	Mt. Lavinia	262	87	349
49	Mannar	239	91	330
50	Monaragala	468	143	611
51	Muttur	148	40	188
52	Mullaitivu	279	32	311
53	Matara	453	172	625
54	Minuwangoda	236	17	253
55	Nikaweratiya	189	80	269
56	Nuwara Eliya	197	98	295
57	Negombo	428	128	556
58	Nugegoda	231	56	287
59	Nawalapitiya	161	40	201
60	Polonnaruwa	223	91	314
61	Panadura	616	196	812
62	Pottuwil	193	23	216
63	Point Pedro	155	17	172
64	Polgahawela	167	39	206
65	Pugoda	285	42	327
66	Puttalam	215	27	242
67	Rathnapura	387	161	548
68	Tissamaharama	285	146	431
69	Thambuttegama	238	46	284
70	Tangalle	200	60	260
71	Trincomalee	285	155	440
72	Vavuniya	352	33	385
73	Valaichchenai	543	153	696
74	Warakapola	156	61	217
75	Welimada	259	119	378
76	Walasmulla	285	95	380
77	Wariyapola	164	70	234
78	Wellawaya	146	18	164
79	Dehiaththakandiya	189	79	268
80	Siyambalanduwa	397	101	498
81	Borella	330	110	440
82	Galagedara	445	44	489
83	Wattala	119	38	157
84	Hettipola	186	68	254
<b>Total</b>		<b>27994</b>	<b>10166</b>	<b>38160</b>

**1.1.3. Legal counselling by the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka from 2008 to 2019 as a number**

No.	Year	No. of persons given legal counselling
01	2008	30216
02	2009	30545
03	2010	30906
04	2011	38051
05	2012	41213
06	2013	45169
07	2014	99484
08	2015	76779
09	2016	92725
10	2017	98369
11	2018	121197
12	2019	125895



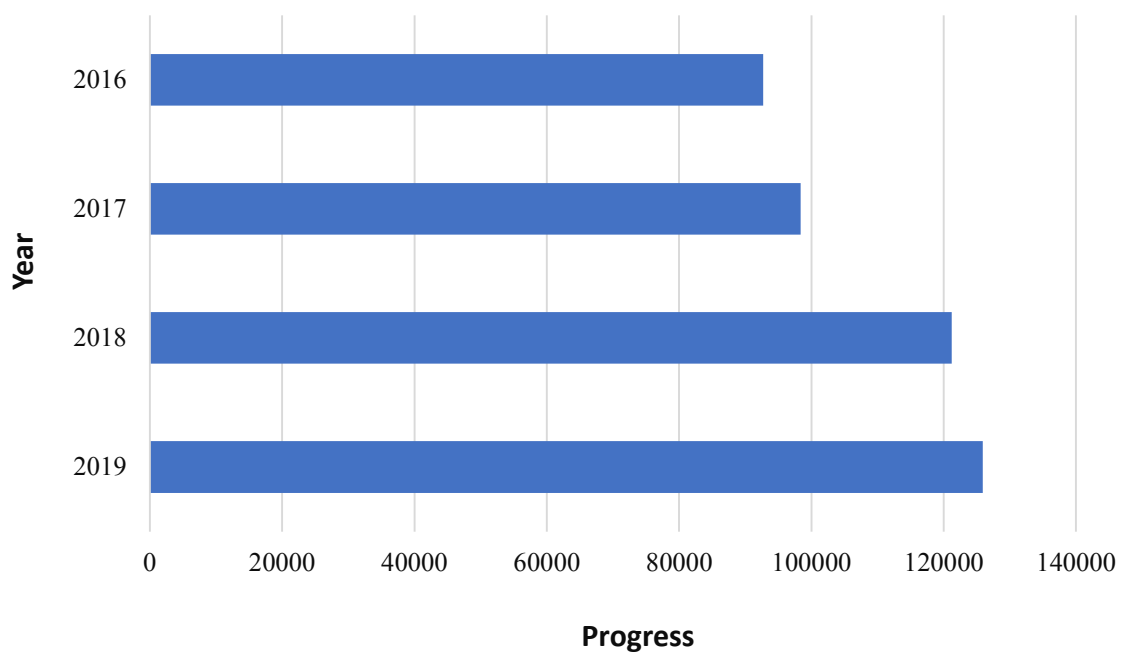
A key point in the study of client attendance to legal counselling is that, the number of consultations has increased from 92725 in the year 2016 up to 98369 in the year 2017.

Similarly, the number of consultations which was 98369 in the year 2017 has become 121197 in the year 2018, having a growth ratio of 1:4.1 compared to the progress in the year 2017.

Likewise, the number of consultations which was 121,197 in the year 2018 has grown into 125,895 in the year 2019.

### 1.1.3.1. Relative Progress of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019

No.	Year	Number	Percentage
01	2016	92725	21%
02	2017	98369	22%
03	2018	121197	28%
04	2019	125895	29%
<b>Total</b>		<b>438,186</b>	<b>100.%</b>



#### 1.1.4. Public Grievance Handling

We have been instrumental in implementation of the public grievance management programme by networking with “Janapathita Kiyanna” programme carried out by the Presidential Secretariat in this regard. In addition, public grievances have been referred through the Prime Minister’s Office, Ministry of Justice, Attorney General’s Department and the Bar Association of Sri Lanka as well, whereas, counselling work has been conducted regarding 236 cases of the public as a whole.

No.	Description	No. of cases
01	The Chairman of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka	135
02	Prime Minister’s Office	06
03	Ministry of Justice	34
04	Attorney General’s Department	08
05	National Authority for the Protection of Victims of Crime & Witnesses	01
06	Letters shared through Lankadeepa News Paper	52
Total		236

#### 1.2 Judicial Activities

Providing legal assistance for judicial activities of individuals is the most vital part of the Legal Division. It is first examined whether legal aid can be provided for a person at a time when a case needs to proceed in a Court for a legal matter of a person. Through legal counselling, an access to the said purpose can be obtained. In the maintenance of legal aid cases, we first find out whether it is justifiable to provide free legal assistance for this client, and for this, his economic situation will be determined. Accordingly, initially, a report of Grama Niladhari on the monthly income of a person will be summoned.

In this respect,

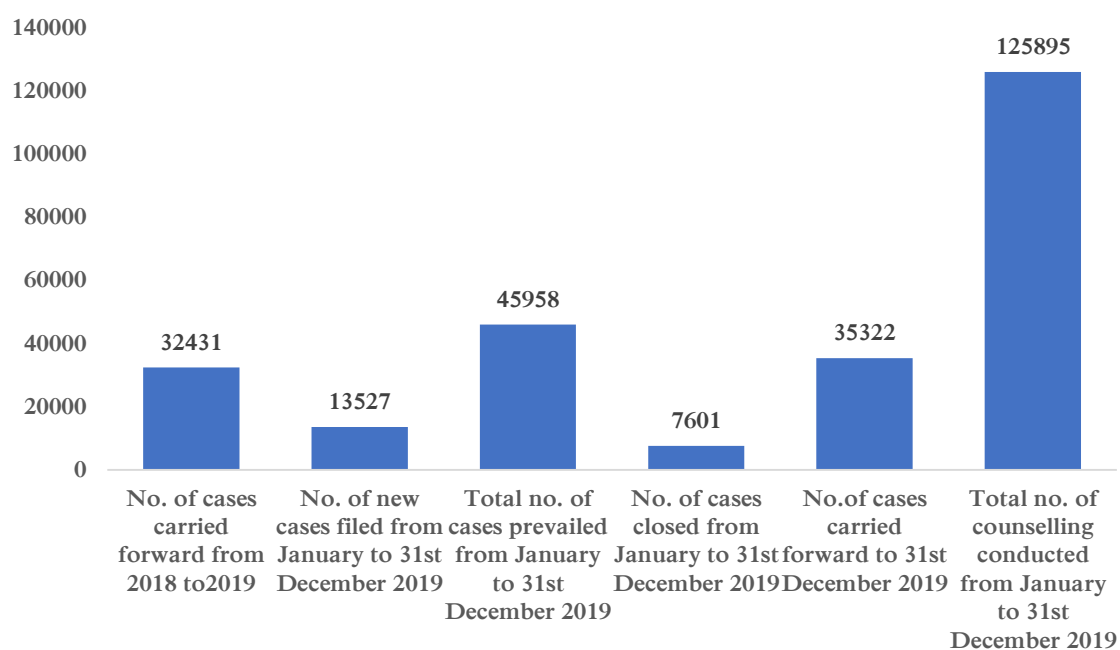
1. The fact whether the relevant person is a low-income person according to the report on his monthly income which is obtained by the Grama Niladhari and countersigned by the Divisional Secretary, will be firstly checked. In such case, if he is proven to be a low income earner as per these reports, he will be provided with free legal assistance in terms of legal aid policies for court proceedings of such persons.
2. Is it possible to get the support of any attorney for the case of a person who earns a sufficient income? Will a lawyer be a party to a case? Would a party of one case influence the attorneys and prevent a lawyer representing the other party? At such juncture, the Legal Aid Commission pays constant attention to cooperate with the judiciary as necessary in assisting the administration of justice. In such case as this, the Legal Aid Commission acts in order to offer legal representation irrespective of the income of the party.
3. Similarly, even if a person has been in remand for more than one year but will not be able to obtain legal assistance, legal assistance of the Legal Aid Commission will be provided on behalf of such persons.
4. For the rights of the child, in cases involving children,
5. Action will be taken to grant legal assistance free of charge irrespective of the income of the applicant, for a litigation proceeded under the Maintenance Act and Elders' Rights Act.
6. Samurdhi Beneficiaries
7. War heroes

Proper functioning of both the civil and criminal divisions must be maintained for the said purpose. The assistance of an advisory committee comprised of retired Supreme Court judges has been provided to the Legal Division to cater to this purpose. The entire functioning of the legal division in the year 2019 was carried out under the complete supervision of the former Judges of the Supreme Court, Justice Hector Yapa and Justice Chandra Ekanayake.

We have worked for cases in all courts including each Magistrate's Court, District Court, High Court, Provincial Court of Appeal, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court in the island, and for maintaining the proceedings in tribunals including the Labor Tribunal, Workmen's Compensation Tribunal, Debt Conciliation Board, Quazi Board, Chambers, Administrative Tribunal and Human Rights Commission. Further, although our attorneys do not appear for the legal matters in the Mediation Board, Labor Commissioner's Department, Quazi Court and other bodies with authority, the Legal Division has provided necessary guidance to them to make the necessary referrals properly.

## 1.2.1. Progress of Legal Division of Legal Aid Commission in 2019

No. of cases carried forward from 2018 to 2019	32431
No. of new cases filed from January to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	13527
Total No. of cases prevailed from January to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	45958
No. of cases closed from January to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	10636
No. of cases carried forward to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	35322
Total No. of counselling conducted from January to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	125895
The service done from January to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019 as a whole	45958 + 125895 <u>= 171853</u>



## 1.2.2. Cases heard between 01st January 2019 and 31st December 2019

No.	Centre	Year of Commencement	Staff of Employees			Cases prevailed as at 01.01.2019	Cases filed (Jan-Dec 2019)	Total	Cases closed	Cases laid by	Cases carried forward (31.12.2019)	Total Counselling
			Legal Officer	Management Assistant	Office Assistant							
01	Anuradhapura	1994	2	2	1	1104	413	1517	239	36	1242	1095
02	Ampara	2003	1	1	-	290	106	396	103	-	293	1843
03	Avissawella	2006	2	1	-	420	162	582	57	62	463	1950
04	Attanagalla	2007	1	2	1	680	188	868	26	53	789	1162
05	Akkareipattu	2006	1	1	1	585	256	841	201	84	556	460
06	Bandarawela	2006	1	1	1	282	173	455	63	108	284	2110
07	Battaramulla	2007	2	1	-	533	119	652	118	-	534	1841
08	Baddegama	2009	1	1	-	344	130	474	95	9	370	1338
09	Badulla	2009	1	1	-	299	165	464	82	49	333	1563
10	Balapitiya	2005	2	1	1	808	183	991	247	-	744	1511
11	Batticaloa	2006	2	1	1	223	235	458	210	-	248	998
12	Balangoda	2011	1	1	-	168	169	337	73	65	199	415
13	Colombo	1978	8	10	4	1234	360	1594	152	-	1442	3484
14	Chilaw	2005	3	1	1	764	171	935	147	8	780	3471
15	Chavakachcheri	2011	1	1	-	157	51	208	2	-	206	426
16	Dambulla	2007	1	1	-	131	180	311	12	132	167	1180
17	Deniyaya	2007	1	1	-	184	171	355	92	98	165	1962
18	Deyyandara	2012	1	1	-	87	132	219	74	35	110	882
19	Embilipitiya	2009	2	1	1	429	306	735	65	254	416	3867
20	Gampaha	2006	2	1	1	311	159	470	109	57	304	753
21	Galle	1994	2	1	1	544	128	672	66	59	547	2495
22	Galgamuwa	2012	1	1	1	145	107	252	89	17	146	1371
23	Horana	2007	2	1	1	577	210	787	228	-	559	4177
24	Hatton	2009	1	1	1	240	129	369	138	-	231	1945
25	Hingurakgoda	2009	1	1	1	608	139	747	59	20	668	1339
26	Hambantota	2003	1	1	1	866	155	1021	58	-	963	2269
27	Homagama	2012	1	1	1	342	137	479	69	58	352	1971
28	Jaffna	2006	2	1	1	626	145	771	253	8	510	827
29	Kandy	1994	3	2	-	584	200	784	73	-	711	1049
30	Kurunegala	1996	3	2	1	1059	213	1272	151	-	1121	754
31	Kegalle	2003	3	1	-	560	133	693	50	21	622	964
32	Kuliyapitiya	2006	2	1	1	244	288	532	152	138	242	4230
33	Kantale	2008	1	1	-	222	60	282	5	21	256	1107
34	Kaduwela	2010	1	1	-	433	115	548	67	39	442	1251
35	Kalmunei	2006	1	1	1	866	308	1174	200	10	964	467
36	Kalutara	2006	2	1	1	1071	187	1258	83	-	1175	2079
37	Kekirawa	2011	1	1	1	226	150	376	48	70	258	1752
38	Kadawatha	2011	1	1	1	250	108	358	19	67	272	1517
39	Kebithigollewa	2012	1	1	-	312	113	425	19	32	374	524
40	Kilinochchi	2011	2	1	1	372	119	491	21	5	465	2237
41	Matale	2006	1	1	1	292	206	498	52	28	418	874

42	Mahiyanganaya	2006	1	1	1	421	136	557	80	-	477	2330
43	Matugama	2007	2	1	-	167	123	290	67	90	133	2275
44	Mahawa	2006	1	1	-	155	191	346	188	-	158	1790
45	Marawila	2007	1	1	-	344	139	483	92	-	391	1891
46	Mawanella	2007	1	1	-	394	135	529	61	37	431	1213
47	Mallakam	2015	1	1	1	571	182	753	142	90	521	2203
48	Mt. Lavinia	2008	2	1	-	508	120	628	62	-	566	788
49	Mannar	2010	2	1	1	276	161	437	76	-	361	742
50	Monaragala	2003	2	1	1	360	191	551	78	63	410	1664
51	Muttur	2010	1	1	-	289	121	410	22	-	388	263
52	Mullaitivu	2010	2	1	1	365	192	557	137	-	420	504
53	Matara	2006	2	1	1	511	339	850	364	-	486	3446
54	Minuwangoda	2013	1	1	-	484	136	620	112	4	504	1143
55	Nikaweratiya	2013	1	1	1	228	122	350	76	-	274	1825
56	Nuwara Eliya	2003	1	1	-	436	139	575	116	-	459	1113
57	Negombo	2006	1	1	1	256	154	410	66	66	278	1488
58	Nugegoda	2008	1	1	1	466	125	591	88	43	460	1270
59	Nawalapitiya	2009	1	1	-	332	144	476	38	29	409	989
60	Polonnaruwa	2006	1	1	1	196	163	359	70	123	166	1954
61	Panadura	2006	3	1	1	471	198	669	53	32	584	2792
62	Pottuwil	2011	2	1	-	234	159	393	107	-	286	904
63	Point Pedro	2011	1	1	1	474	97	571	26	-	545	1981
64	Polgahawela	2012	1	1	-	167	108	275	18	62	195	705
65	Pugoda	2012	1	1	-	170	133	303	92	-	211	852
66	Puttalam	2016	1	1	1	200	156	356	52	2	302	798
67	Rathnapura	2006	2	2	-	590	286	876	108	151	617	1987
68	Tissamaharama	2008	1	1	1	246	171	417	53	145	219	1201
69	Thambuttegama	2008	1	1	1	190	103	293	6	64	223	879
70	Tangalle	2010	1	1	-	430	129	559	168	50	341	1602
71	Trincomalee	2006	2	1	1	239	231	470	153	35	282	479
72	Vavuniya	2005	2	1	1	468	133	601	84	9	508	509
73	Valaichchenai	2010	1	1	-	289	334	623	179	131	313	992
74	Warakapola	2007	1	1	-	232	91	323	36	5	282	1161
75	Welimada	2008	1	1	1	385	129	514	46	33	435	1966
76	Walasmulla	2010	1	1	1	290	147	437	42	75	320	1801
77	Wariyapola	2011	1	1	-	154	134	288	88	31	169	789
78	Wellawaya	2009	1	1	1	575	144	719	63	-	656	2063
79	Dehiaththakandiya	2017	1	1	-	106	70	176	23	-	153	1200
80	Siyambalanduwa	2017	1	1	1	111	88	199	29	3	167	999
81	Borella	2017	1	1	1	114	136	250	122	-	128	1612
82	Galagedara	2017	1	2	1	39	47	86	22	14	50	673
83	Wattala	2018	1	1	1	26	54	80	14	5	61	517
84	Hettipola	2019	1	1	1	0	57	57	15	-	42	732
<b>Total</b>			124	99	53	32431	13527	45958	7601	3035	35322	125895

### 1.2.3. Classification of cases brought forward as at 01.01.2019

No.	Center	Divorce	Maintenance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal cases	Victim of crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence	Total
01	Anuradhapura	263	760	13	-	21	-	8	119	-	13	9	25	-	-	11	-	-	1242
02	Ampara	69	166	14	-	8	6	-	11	-	-	-	7	8	-	2	-	2	293
03	Avissawella	85	262	25	-	41	1	2	-	1	5	-	4	1	27	6	-	3	463
04	Attanagalla	126	565	26	-	18	-	-	45	-	1	-	1	1	6	-	-	-	789
05	Akkareipattu	22	472	9	-	34	-	-	6	-	4	-	-	-	-	7	2	-	556
06	Bandarawela	43	173	13	5	15	2	-	21	-	3	-	3	-	5	1	-	-	284
07	Battaramulla	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	532	1	-	-	-	-	-	534
08	Baddegama	68	238	1	1	2	-	-	22	-	5	-	-	-	29	3	-	1	370
09	Badulla	49	244	6	-	3	2	9	12	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	333
10	Balapitiya	124	337	13	7	79	21	-	30	1	43	-	2	37	36	4	7	3	744
11	Batticaloa	56	133	24	-	25	-	-	1	-	4	-	3	-	-	2	-	-	248
12	Balangoda	68	98	10	-	14	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	199
13	Colombo	278	476	75	-	17	1	148	51	39	110	-	83	8	154	2	-	-	1442
14	Chilaw	24	503	2	-	-	3	-	5	-	5	-	201	4	30	1	-	2	780
15	Chavakachcheri	34	133	9	-	13	-	-	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	206
16	Dambulla	48	101	1	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	-	2	1	-	167
17	Deniyaya	54	98	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	1	165
18	Deyyandara	-	59	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	27	-	-	-	19	-	-	1	110
19	Embilipitiya	68	263	9	-	14	6	-	42	1	2	-	-	-	8	3	-	-	416
20	Gampaha	97	86	24	1	13	8	10	42	1	9	-	6	-	4	2	-	1	304
21	Galle	47	351	1	-	12	-	3	27	2	42	-	41	1	9	3	-	8	547
22	Galgamuwa	-	109	-	-	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	146
23	Horana	77	337	4	-	41	-	8	23	-	16	-	-	-	19	9	-	25	559
24	Hatton	58	127	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	-	-	-	231
25	Hingurakgoda	97	320	4	-	28	-	-	-	93	15	-	-	102	-	-	-	9	668
26	Hambantota	155	505	5	-	-	32	-	55	-	80	-	-	121	-	10	-	-	963
27	Homagama	62	108	12	1	24	4	1	-	1	14	-	21	-	89	8	1	6	352
28	Jaffna	55	342	22	1	26	1	7	-	-	18	-	24	10	-	-	-	4	510
29	Kandy	145	296	54	-	107	-	-	-	1	63	-	36	1	5	-	2	1	711
30	Kurunegala	263	505	30	2	75	16	30	59	15	26	-	43	-	29	21	4	3	1121
31	Kegalle	83	321	28	13	52	21	4	-	4	52	-	16	-	25	1	2	-	622
32	Kuliyapitiya	55	97	22	2	18	-	-	30	1	2	-	5	-	9	-	1	-	242
33	Kantale	38	160	3	-	5	-	-	9	-	3	1	-	33	-	-	1	3	256
34	Kaduwela	75	128	22	2	95	-	-	39	3	3	-	27	2	31	10	-	5	442
35	Kalmunei	12	899	9	-	-	-	-	4	-	12	-	-	3	-	24	-	1	964
36	Kalutara	140	565	6	-	42	10	38	42	-	6	-	171	10	126	18	1	-	1175
37	Kekirawa	91	82	5	-	5	-	-	25	-	4	2	-	30	2	8	-	4	258
38	Kadawatha	-	198	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	15	-	-	13	5	-	13	10	272
39	Kebithigollewa	102	195	3	-	35	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	374
40	Kilinochchi	48	296	6	-	35	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	42	-	-	-	21	465

41	Matale	70	285	9	-	24	-	-	-	-	7	-	13	-	-	-	-	10	418	
42	Mahiyanganaya	74	363	3	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	1	-	-	477	
43	Matugama	29	82	3	-	13	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	133	
44	Mahawa	39	87	6	3	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	1	-	158	
45	Marawila	44	254	3	-	8	-	-	24	7	10	-	-	36	-	-	-	5	391	
46	Mawanella	131	214	10	-	29	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	43	-	-	1	1	431	
47	Mallakam	76	362	26	1	21	-	2	2	1	21	-	-	-	4	-	4	1	521	
48	Mt. Lavinia	109	218	40	1	41	-	11	27	5	2	-	65	23	-	16	4	1	566	
49	Mannar	21	158	24	-	15	-	-	11	-	25	-	-	84	-	15	-	2	361	
50	Monaragala	143	222	9	-	12	4	-	13	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	410	
51	Muttur	14	290	4	-	30	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	7	2	1	388	
52	Mullaitivu	46	305	16	-	25	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	420	
53	Matara	113	96	29	-	34	46	1	67	-	9	-	50	-	-	24	9	7	486	
54	Minuwangoda	68	170	29	2	68	-	-	21	8	14	21	-	40	-	55	-	-	504	
55	Nikaweratiya	46	165	3	-	16	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	13	-	17	3	-	274	
56	Nuwara Eliya	41	355	4	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	2	-	459	
57	Negombo	111	66	14	-	51	-	1	-	-	6	-	16	-	-	9	1	1	278	
58	Nugegoda	76	178	12	1	55	-	-	-	3	13	-	24	9	-	72	4	1	460	
59	Nawalapitiya	60	292	6	-	12	2	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	409	
60	Polonnaruwa	20	92	8	-	5	-	-	37	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166	
61	Panadura	90	214	16	1	11	28	-	40	7	24	9	49	3	-	45	18	-	584	
62	Pottuwil	5	271	2	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	286	
63	Point Pedro	89	365	14	-	37	-	-	5	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	545	
64	Polgahawela	-	117	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195	
65	Pugoda	33	136	7	-	18	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	7	5	-	211	
66	Puttalam	82	176	13	-	15	-	-	4	-	3	-	-	6	-	-	-	2	302	
67	Rathnapura	161	274	25	-	18	26	5	33	1	10	-	7	-	-	20	19	5	617	
68	Tissamaharama	86	72	1	-	-	-	-	19	-	1	-	-	25	-	-	11	-	219	
69	Thambuttegama	-	223	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	223	
70	Tangalle	81	196	2	-	7	-	1	38	2	-	2	-	-	-	11	-	-	341	
71	Trincomalee	19	155	13	-	36	-	-	-	3	20	-	25	-	-	6	-	5	282	
72	Vavuniya	41	426	4	-	15	-	-	10	-	8	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	508	
73	Valaichchenai	4	300	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	313	
74	Warakapola	52	145	6	-	41	-	-	3	8	24	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	282	
75	Welimada	110	228	3	-	23	-	-	4	-	28	-	-	29	-	3	1	-	435	
76	Walasmulla	78	178	-	-	49	-	-	8	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	320	
77	Wariyapola	30	67	4	-	6	-	-	21	-	23	-	-	3	-	10	3	2	169	
78	Wellawaya	127	470	11	-	9	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	656	
79	Dehiaththakandiya	-	115	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	4	-	18	-	-	153	
80	Siyambaladuwa	-	114	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	3	-	-	-	32	-	2	167	
81	Borella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	110	-	-	-	-	-	128	
82	Galagedara	-	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	50	
83	Wattala	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	61	
84	Hettipola	-	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	42	
<b>Total</b>		5598	19733	890	44	1763	240	289	1208	208	1125	581	1081	812	154	966	276	75	279	35322

## 1.2.4. Classification of new cases filed in the year 2019

No.	Center	Divorce	Maintenance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal cases	Victim of crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence	Total
01	Anuradhapura	114	209	-	-	9	-	8	42	-	3	9	14	-	-	5	-	-	413
02	Ampara	28	53	5	-	6	6	-	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	-	1	106
03	Avissawella	23	109	-	-	15	-	1	-	-	7	-	1	1	4	1	-	-	162
04	Attanagalla	24	118	7	-	5	-	-	10	-	4	-	1	2	15	-	-	2	188
05	Akkareipattu	9	236	1	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	256
06	Bandarawela	26	123	4	4	7	-	-	2	-	5	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	173
07	Battaramulla	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119	-	-	-	-	-	-	119
08	Baddegama	27	59	-	-	5	-	-	12	-	6	-	-	-	17	3	-	1	130
09	Badulla	26	121	2	-	2	2	5	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	3	-	-	165
10	Balapitiya	26	94	1	1	22	-	-	6	-	15	-	-	7	-	1	10	-	183
11	Batticaloa	20	186	6	-	12	-	-	-	-	6	-	3	-	-	2	-	-	235
12	Balangoda	50	105	3	-	8	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	169
13	Colombo	42	96	17	-	4	1	36	10	65	29	-	4	1	55	-	-	-	360
14	Chilaw	21	70	1	-	2	1	-	5	-	2	-	62	-	7	-	-	-	171
15	Chavakachcheri	5	40	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51
16	Dambulla	43	121	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	2	-	-	180
17	Deniyaya	33	113	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	10	-	-	10	171
18	Deyyandara	-	44	-	-	48	-	-	4	-	18	-	-	-	17	-	-	1	132
19	Embilipitiya	35	235	1	-	2	3	-	17	1	1	-	1	-	2	7	-	1	306
20	Gampaha	43	68	3	-	9	4	-	9	1	6	-	5	2	7	2	-	-	159
21	Galle	20	65	-	-	5	-	-	6	1	13	2	9	1	1	2	-	3	128
22	Galgamuwa	-	62	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	7	-	-	-	107
23	Horana	44	112	-	-	18	-	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	20	1	-	6	210
24	Hatton	28	66	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	29	-	-	3	129
25	Hingurakgoda	27	39	-	-	8	-	-	-	19	4	-	-	37	-	-	-	5	139
26	Hambantota	21	49	-	-	-	4	-	5	-	20	-	-	56	-	-	-	-	155
27	Homagama	21	62	2	-	8	3	2	-	1	-	-	17	-	17	-	1	3	137
28	Jaffna	27	26	11	1	17	1	3	-	-	20	-	26	9	-	-	-	4	145
29	Kandy	44	106	5	-	11	-	1	-	-	10	-	21	-	1	-	1	-	200
30	Kurunegala	59	75	4	-	12	1	8	28	1	3	-	11	-	6	3	1	1	213
31	Kegalle	27	60	3	1	9	6	-	-	1	23	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	133
32	Kuliyapitiya	37	185	4	-	17	-	-	16	2	9	-	9	1	5	1	2	-	288
33	Kantale	9	34	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	1	-	7	-	-	2	-	60
34	Kaduwela	21	35	2	1	30	-	-	6	2	-	-	9	1	2	1	-	5	115
35	Kalmunei	6	292	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	1	308
36	Kalutara	23	59	1	-	8	14	-	3	-	3	2	37	1	32	1	-	3	187
37	Kekirawa	34	99	2	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	2	-	4	-	4	-	1	150
38	Kadawatha	-	96	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	108
39	Kebithigollewa	28	72	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	113
40	Kilinochchi	17	49	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	37	-	-	-	8	119
41	Matale	29	141	1	-	12	-	-	-	-	4	-	8	-	-	-	-	11	206

42	Mahiyanganaya	40	76	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	3	-	-	136	
43	Matugama	19	89	1	-	6	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	123	
44	Mahawa	45	128	2	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	-	191	
45	Marawila	23	97	1	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	1	139	
46	Mawanella	38	74	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	135	
47	Mallakam	32	108	6	-	13	1	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	4	-	4	182	
48	Mt. Lavinia	14	23	2	-	11	-	4	5	-	1	-	48	10	-	-	-	-	120	
49	Mannar	19	48	10	-	8	-	-	1	-	20	-	-	51	-	1	-	-	161	
50	Monaragala	69	94	-	-	7	8	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	191	
51	Muttur	7	72	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	-	3	2	-	121	
52	Mullaitivu	35	104	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	192	
53	Matara	62	146	8	-	22	16	-	23	1	14	-	18	-	-	14	2	11	339	
54	Minuwangoda	15	52	3	1	15	-	-	17	-	9	1	-	2	-	20	-	-	136	
55	Nikaweratiya	27	76	1	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	3	2	122	
56	Nuwara Eliya	12	86	-	-	4	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	32	-	-	2	-	139	
57	Negombo	46	45	3	-	17	-	2	-	-	9	-	23	-	-	5	1	-	154	
58	Nugegoda	32	64	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	12	1	-	125	
59	Nawalapitiya	26	90	1	-	6	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	144	
60	Polonnaruwa	14	100	2	-	5	-	-	22	-	5	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	163	
61	Panadura	39	77	3	-	14	19	-	2	-	7	-	12	-	-	4	6	-	198	
62	Pottuwil	5	148	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	159	
63	Point Pedro	23	52	2	-	8	-	-	3	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	97	
64	Polgahawela	-	68	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108	
65	Pugoda	20	79	2	-	11	-	-	5	-	4	-	-	-	-	3	9	-	133	
66	Puttalam	45	88	4	-	12	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	156	
67	Rathnapura	66	157	4	-	3	3	2	8	2	-	-	7	-	-	13	12	3	286	
68	Tissamaharama		41	117	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	6	-	171	
69	Thambuttegama		102	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	103	
70	Tangalle	55	39	1	-	2	2	9	17	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	129	
71	Trincomalee	18	138	11	-	30	-	-	1	-	21	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	231	
72	Vavuniya	27	100	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133	
73	Valaichchenai	6	312	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	334	
74	Warakapola	19	38	-	-	14	-	-	2	9	8	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	91	
75	Welimada	24	74	1	-	12	-	-	5	-	8	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	129	
76	Walasmulla	32	103	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	147	
77	Wariyapola	23	43	-	-	2	-	-	7	-	40	-	-	10	-	4	3	2	134	
78	Wellawaya	33	95	2	-	2	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	144	
79	Dehiathakandiya	-	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	3	-	12	-	-	70	
80	Siyambalanduwa	-	32	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	3	-	1	-	36	-	2	88	
81	Borella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	124	-	-	-	-	-	136	
82	Galagedara	-	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	47	
83	Wattala	-	41	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	54	
84	Hettipola	-	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	57	
<b>Total</b>		2127	7512	280	9	696	95	92	357	109	512	143	494	322	55	378	130	48	168	13527

## 1.2.5. Classification of the cases completed in the year 2018

No.	Center	Divorce	Maintainance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal cases	Victim of crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence	Total
01	Anuradhapura	93	106	9	-	12	-	-	34	-	11	1	-	-	-	8	-	1	275
02	Ampara	30	61	1	-	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	3	-	-	103
03	Avissawella	16	72	1	-	20	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	2	1	-	-	119
04	Attanagalla	14	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	7	-	-	2	79
05	Akkareipattu	9	267	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	285
06	Bandarawela	26	135	1	-	2	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	171
07	Battaramulla	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	112	6	-	-	-	-	-	118
08	Baddegama	38	22	1	-	2	-	-	11	-	8	-	-	-	17	3	-	2	104
09	Badulla	23	90	4	-	3	-	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	131
10	Balapitiya	19	114	2	2	11	17	-	12	7	31	-	1	30	-	1	-	-	247
11	Batticaloa	25	150	5	-	14	-	-	-	-	10	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	210
12	Balangoda	38	91	1	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	138
13	Colombo	78	3	1	-	-	-	13	29	7	6	-	6	-	9	-	-	-	152
14	Chilaw	52	28	6	-	4	2	4	-	-	-	-	55	-	3	-	-	1	155
15	Chavakachcheri	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
16	Dambulla	12	128	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	144
17	Deniyaya	41	123	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	13	-	-	12	190
18	Deyyandara	-	35	-	-	54	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	109
19	Embilipitiya	29	254	6	-	3	-	-	15	-	2	-	1	1	2	4	-	2	319
20	Gampaha	51	61	10	-	9	-	-	19	-	6	-	2	2	4	2	-	-	166
21	Galle	15	61	1	-	-	-	4	26	-	9	3	2	1	-	-	-	3	125
22	Galgamuwa	-	73	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	106
23	Horana	40	97	-	-	20	4	-	28	-	2	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	228
24	Hatton	30	62	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	40	-	-	4	138
25	Hingurakgoda	29	20	-	-	6	-	-	-	8	1	-	-	12	-	-	-	3	79
26	Hambantota	7	10	2	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	58
27	Homagama	28	58	-	-	9	-	2	-	1	1	-	9	-	16	-	1	2	127
28	Jaffna	74	57	18	-	19	-	-	-	-	24	-	50	13	-	-	3	3	261
29	Kandy	6	56	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	73
30	Kurunegala	65	30	3	-	12	1	3	17	2	8	-	2	-	3	5	-	-	151
31	Kegalle	27	35	1	1	5	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	71
32	Kuliyapitiya	41	172	5	2	18	-	-	22	1	12	-	9	2	3	2	1	-	290
33	Kantale	2	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
34	Kaduwela	23	39	3	-	7	-	-	7	1	2	-	7	2	7	6	-	2	106
35	Kalmunei	3	204	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	210
36	Kalutara	16	7	2	-	7	13	1	1	1	-	-	25	-	7	3	-	-	83
37	Kekirawa	24	88	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	118
38	Kadawatha	-	86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	86
39	Kebehigollewa	2	48	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51

40	Kilinochchi	3	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	26
41	Matale	16	50	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	80
42	Mahiyanganaya	43	24	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	-	-	-	80
43	Matugama	40	94	2	-	9	-	-	1	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	157
44	Mahawa	48	109	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	5	4	1	-	188
45	Marawila	18	55	1	-	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	92
46	Mawanella	25	56	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	98
47	Mallakam	27	189	5	-	4	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	232
48	Mt. Lavinia	13	-	4	-	3	-	6	7	1	2	-	21	2	-	-	2	1	-	62
49	Mannar	14	16	6	-	2	-	-	1	-	18	-	-	17	-	2	-	-	-	76
50	Monaragala	51	81	-	-	2	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	141
51	Muttur	-	4	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	22
52	Mullaitivu	30	66	3	-	13	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	16	137
53	Matara	67	184	6	-	24	4	2	43	1	9	-	9	-	-	9	1	4	1	364
54	Minuwangoda	16	29	4	-	5	-	-	4	18	5	3	-	12	-	17	1	-	2	116
55	Nikaweratiya	15	36	-	-	4	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	9	-	8	-	-	1	76
56	Nuwara Eliya	11	39	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	-	-	3	-	13	116
57	Negombo	25	74	1	-	6	-	1	-	-	5	-	12	-	-	3	1	1	3	132
58	Nugegoda	27	50	1	1	16	-	-	-	11	7	-	-	7	-	5	2	-	4	131
59	Nawalapitiya	11	42	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	9	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	67
60	Polonnaruwa	26	124	5	-	6	-	-	10	-	7	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	193
61	Panadura	29	36	2	-	4	-	-	5	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	5	85
62	Pottuwil	7	95	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	107
63	Point Pedro	5	10	2	-	3	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	26
64	Polgahawela	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	80
65	Pugoda	13	52	5	-	7	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-	92
66	Puttalam	10	37	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
67	Rathnapura	54	185	3	1	-	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	5	1	1	3	259
68	Tissamaharama	26	148	-	-	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	14	-	-	4	-	-	198
69	Thambuttegama	-	69	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70
70	Tangalle	69	114	-	-	1	-	2	24	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	218
71	Trincomalee	9	101	4	-	18	-	-	-	5	35	-	15	-	-	-	-	1	-	188
72	Vavuniya	30	49	1	-	2	-	-	4	1	2	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	93
73	Valaichchenai	2	300	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	310
74	Warakapola	15	10	1	-	6	-	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	41
75	Welimada	14	44	-	-	14	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	79
76	Walasmulla	40	75	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	117
77	Wariyapola	35	40	-	-	2	-	-	21	-	16	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	119
78	Wellawaya	14	39	-	-	1	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	63
79	Dehiathakandiya	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	6	-	-	1	23
80	Siyambalanduwa	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	21	-	-	2	32
81	Borella	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	117	-	-	-	-	-	-	122
82	Galagedara	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	2	36
83	Wattala	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
84	Hettipola	-	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	15
<b>Total</b>		1925	5903	153	7	487	48	47	378	76	336	158	367	249	9	262	95	18	118	10636

## 1.2.6 Classification of cases heard in the year 2019 by Court

No.	Center	Supreme Court	Appeal Court	Civil Appellate Court	High Court	District Court	Magistrate's Court	Labour Tribunal	Other	Total
01	Anuradhapura	-	-	8	-	436	760	25	13	1242
02	Ampara	-	-	-	6	104	176	7	-	293
03	Avissawella	-	-	2	2	162	293	4	-	463
04	Attanagalla	-	-	-	-	170	618	1	-	789
05	Akkareipattu	-	-	-	-	68	488	-	-	556
06	Bandarawela	-	-	-	2	101	178	3	-	284
07	Battaramulla	-	-	-	-	-	532	1	1	534
08	Baddegama	-	-	-	-	91	279	-	-	370
09	Badulla	-	-	9	2	70	244	1	7	333
10	Balapitiya	-	-	-	26	256	460	2	-	744
11	Batticaloa	-	-	-	-	46	199	3	-	248
12	Balangoda	-	-	-	-	100	99	-	-	199
13	Colombo	154	158	-	33	493	521	83	-	1442
14	Chilaw	-	-	-	3	33	543	201	-	780
15	Chavakachcheri	-	-	-	-	68	138	-	-	206
16	Dambulla	-	-	-	-	60	107	-	-	167
17	Deniyaya	-	-	-	-	59	106	-	-	165
18	Deyyandara	-	-	-	-	-	110	-	-	110
19	Embilipitiya	-	-	-	7	138	271	-	-	416
20	Gampaha	-	-	10	9	180	91	6	8	304
21	Galle	-	-	3	-	90	351	41	62	547
22	Galgamuwa	-	-	-	-	-	146	-	-	146
23	Horana	-	-	8	-	131	404	-	16	559
24	Hatton	-	-	-	-	69	162	-	-	231
25	Hingurakgoda	-	-	-	-	95	573	-	-	668
26	Hambantota	-	-	-	32	215	716	-	-	963
27	Homagama	-	-	1	5	119	205	22	-	352
28	Jaffna	-	-	7	1	122	356	24	-	510
29	Kandy	-	-	1	18	351	305	36	-	711
30	Kurunegala	-	-	30	16	474	558	43	-	1121
31	Kegalle	-	-	2	28	177	399	16	-	622
32	Kuliyapitiya	-	-	-	5	128	104	5	-	242
33	Kantale	-	-	-	-	58	198	-	-	256
34	Kaduwela	-	-	-	-	206	209	27	-	442
35	Kalmunei	-	-	-	-	49	915	-	-	964
36	Kalutara	-	-	38	10	255	701	171	-	1175
37	Kekirawa	-	-	-	-	136	122	-	-	258
38	Kadawatha	-	-	-	-	-	272	-	-	272
39	Kebithigollewa	-	-	-	-	140	234	-	-	374
40	Kilinochchi	-	-	-	-	106	359	-	-	465

41	Matale	-	-	-	-	103	295	13	7	418
42	Mahiyanganaya	-	-	-	-	95	382	-	-	477
43	Matugama	-	-	-	-	48	85	-	-	133
44	Mahawa	-	-	-	-	63	95	-	-	158
45	Marawila	-	-	-	-	61	330	-	-	391
46	Mawanella	-	-	-	-	173	258	-	-	431
47	Mallakam	-	-	2	1	149	369	-	-	521
48	Mt. Lavinia	-	-	11	-	196	294	65	-	566
49	Mannar	-	-	-	2	72	287	-	-	361
50	Monaragala	-	-	-	4	183	223	-	-	410
51	Muttur	-	-	-	-	25	363	-	-	388
52	Mullaitivu	-	-	-	-	115	305	-	-	420
53	Matara	-	-	1	46	258	131	50	-	486
54	Minuwangoda	-	-	-	-	188	302	-	14	504
55	Nikaweratiya	-	-	-	-	68	206	-	-	274
56	Nuwara Eliya	-	-	-	-	75	384	-	-	459
57	Negombo	-	-	1	-	184	77	16	-	278
58	Nugegoda	-	-	-	-	162	274	24	-	460
59	Nawalapitiya	-	-	-	-	160	249	-	-	409
60	Polonnaruwa	-	-	-	-	73	93	-	-	166
61	Panadura	-	-	-	35	209	291	49	-	584
62	Pottuwil	-	-	-	-	15	271	-	-	286
63	Point Pedro	-	-	-	-	160	385	-	-	545
64	Polgahawela	-	-	-	-	-	195	-	-	195
65	Pugoda	-	-	-	-	152	59	-	-	211
66	Puttalam	-	-	-	-	46	256	-	-	302
67	Rathnapura	-	-	5	26	268	311	7	-	617
68	Tissamaharama	-	-	-	-	118	101	-	-	219
69	Thambuttegama	-	-	-	-	-	223	-	-	223
70	Tangalle	-	-	1	2	130	208	-	-	341
71	Trincomalee	-	-	-	-	80	177	25	-	282
72	Vavuniya	-	-	1	-	78	429	-	-	508
73	Valaichchenai	-	-	-	-	13	300	-	-	313
74	Warakapola	-	-	-	-	114	168	-	-	282
75	Welimada	-	-	-	-	140	295	-	-	435
76	Walasmulla	-	-	-	-	127	193	-	-	320
77	Wariyapola	-	-	-	-	66	103	-	-	169
78	Wellawaya	-	-	-	-	186	470	-	-	656
79	Dehiathakandiya	-	-	-	-	-	153	-	-	153
80	Siyambalanduwa	-	-	-	-	-	167	-	-	167
81	Borella	-	-	-	-	-	-	110	18	128
82	Galagedara	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	50
83	Wattala	-	-	-	-	-	60	1	-	61
84	Hettipola	-	-	-	-	-	42	-	-	42
<b>Total</b>		<b>154</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>9909</b>	<b>23411</b>	<b>1082</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>35322</b>

## 1.2.7 Classification of the cases heard in 2019 by the legal assistance provided

No.	Center	Attorneys-at-Law of the Legal Aid Commission	Attorneys-at-Law of the Board under Legal Aid Commission	Total
01	Anuradhapura	801	441	1242
02	Ampara	261	32	293
03	Avissawella	396	67	463
04	Attanagalla	244	545	789
05	Akkareipattu	555	1	556
06	Bandarawela	217	67	284
07	Battaramulla	533	1	534
08	Baddegama	331	39	370
09	Badulla	314	19	333
10	Balapitiya	622	122	744
11	Batticaloa	245	3	248
12	Balangoda	122	77	199
13	Colombo	571	871	1442
14	Chilaw	737	43	780
15	Chavakachcheri	206	-	206
16	Dambulla	163	4	167
17	Deniyaya	165	-	165
18	Deyyandara	110	-	110
19	Embilipitiya	390	26	416
20	Gampaha	162	142	304
21	Galle	538	9	547
22	Galgamuwa	145	1	146
23	Horana	459	100	559
24	Hatton	231	-	231
25	Hingurakgoda	610	58	668
26	Hambantota	599	364	963
27	Homagama	181	171	352
28	Jaffna	510	-	510
29	Kandy	211	500	711
30	Kurunegala	544	577	1121
31	Kegalle	421	201	622
32	Kuliyapitiya	193	49	242
33	Kantale	239	17	256
34	Kaduwela	150	292	442
35	Kalmunei	933	31	964
36	Kalutara	995	180	1175
37	Kekirawa	250	8	258
38	Kadawatha	257	15	272
39	Kebithigollewa	374	-	374
40	Kilinochchi	465	-	465

41	Matale	274	144	418
42	Mahiyanganaya	477	-	477
43	Matugama	123	10	133
44	Mahawa	132	26	158
45	Marawila	370	21	391
46	Mawanella	345	86	431
47	Mallakam	521	-	521
48	Mt. Lavinia	340	226	566
49	Mannar	361	-	361
50	Monaragala	313	97	410
51	Muttur	388	-	388
52	Mullaitivu	420	-	420
53	Matara	319	167	486
54	Minuwangoda	359	145	504
55	Nikaweratiya	265	9	274
56	Nuwara Eliya	375	84	459
57	Negombo	234	44	278
58	Nugegoda	345	115	460
59	Nawalapitiya	310	99	409
60	Polonnaruwa	159	7	166
61	Panadura	369	215	584
62	Pottuwil	286	-	286
63	Point Pedro	545	-	545
64	Polgahawela	175	20	195
65	Pugoda	145	66	211
66	Puttalam	295	7	302
67	Rathnapura	332	285	617
68	Tissamaharama	219	-	219
69	Thambuttegama	111	112	223
70	Tangalle	269	72	341
71	Trincomalee	282	-	282
72	Vavuniya	508	-	508
73	Valaichchenai	313	-	313
74	Warakapola	190	92	282
75	Welimada	228	207	435
76	Walasmulla	315	5	320
77	Wariyapola	129	40	169
78	Wellawaya	563	93	656
79	Dehiathakandiya	147	6	153
80	Siyambalanduwa	167	-	167
81	Borella	110	18	128
82	Galagedara	36	14	50
83	Wattala	51	10	61
84	Hettipola	42	-	42
<b>Total</b>		<b>27707</b>	<b>7615</b>	<b>35322</b>

## 1.2.8 Quarterly summary of cases proceeded in Courts in the year 2019

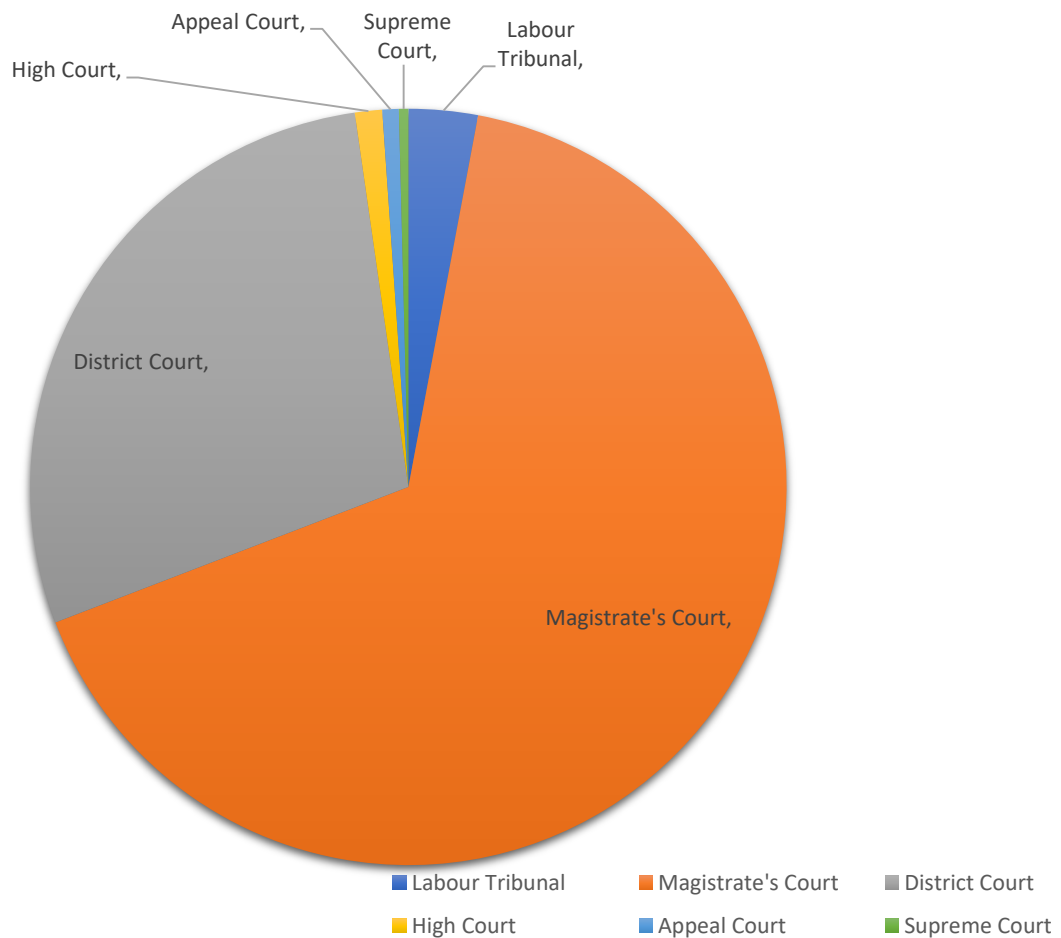
Period	Divorce	Maintenance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal	Supreme Court cases	Victim of Crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence	Total
As at 31.12.2018	5293	17914	1024	64	1633	149	230	1165	183	987	543	864	840	130	846	242	60	264	32431
Newly filed cases (Jan-Mar)	531	1878	70	2	174	22	22	87	25	130	37	133	72	12	92	32	12	39	3331
Newly filed cases (Apr-Jun)	536	1828	74	2	176	25	24	90	32	127	32	126	79	14	97	39	11	45	3357
Newly filed cases (Jul-Sept)	528	1882	57	2	169	27	26	88	22	124	36	101	89	16	86	34	16	41	3344
Newly filed cases (Oct-Dec)	532	1924	79	3	177	21	20	92	30	131	38	134	82	13	103	25	9	43	3456
<b>Total</b>	<b>7420</b>	<b>25426</b>	<b>1304</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2329</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>1522</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>1499</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>1358</b>	<b>1162</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>1224</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>45958</b>

## 1.2.9 Quarterly summary of cases concluded in Courts in the year 2019

Period	Divorce	Maintenance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal	Supreme Court cases	Victim of Crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence	Total
Concluded cases (Jan-Mar)	473	1495	38	1	131	12	11	92	22	83	38	83	55	2	66	24	4	32	2662
Concluded cases (Apr-Jun)	494	1369	33	1	107	11	13	95	19	79	39	97	66	2	62	26	5	23	2541
Concluded cases (Jul-Sept)	517	1602	46	3	127	14	15	97	24	81	37	94	64	3	59	24	5	34	2846
Concluded cases (Oct-Dec)	441	1437	36	2	122	11	8	94	11	93	44	93	64	2	75	21	4	29	2587
<b>Total</b>	<b>1925</b>	<b>5903</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>10636</b>

## 1.2.10 Classification of distribution of cases in Courts as at 31.12.2019

No.	Court	Divorce	Maintenance	Land	Partition	Money	High Court cases	Appeal Court cases	Accidents	Bail	Other	Child Rights	Labour	Criminal	Supreme Court cases	Victim of Crimes	Special	Guardianship	Domestic Violence		
01	Labour Tribunal												1358								1358
02	Magistrate's Court		25426								1499	686		1162		1224			432		30429
03	District Court	7420		1304	73	2329			1522								372	108			13128
04	High Court						244			292											536
05	Appeal Court							322													322
06	Supreme Court														185						185
<b>Total</b>		7420	25426	1304	73	2329	244	322	1522	292	1499	686	1358	1162	185	1224	372	108	432		45958



## 1.2.11 Service rendered by the Legal Aid Commission at provincial level in the year 2019

Province	Cases as at 01.01.2019	Cases filed from 2019.01.01 to 31.12.2019	Total	Cases concluded from 2019.01.01 to 31.12.2019	Cases laid by from 2019.01.01 to 31.12.2019	No. of cases carried forward to 31.12.2019	Counselling from 2019.01.01 to 31.12.2019	Total service provided
Western province	8513	2924	11437	1604	576	9257	33226	44663
Uva Province	2433	1026	3459	441	256	2762	12695	16154
Southern Province	4310	1685	5995	1259	471	4265	18506	24501
Northern Province	3309	1080	4389	741	112	3536	9425	13814
Sabaragamuwa Province	2373	1120	3493	393	533	2567	9607	13100
North Western Province	3460	1686	5146	1068	258	3820	18356	23502
Central Province	2054	1045	3099	451	203	2445	7823	10922
Eastern Province	3343	1880	5223	1203	281	3739	8714	13937
North Central Province	2636	1081	3717	441	345	2931	7543	11260
<b>Total</b>	32431	13527	45958	7601	3035	35322	125895	171853
Total service provided =				Total No. of cases		+	Total counselling rendered	
171,853			=	45,958		+	125,895	

### National Policy on Legal Aid in Sri Lanka

During the establishment and maintenance of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka with the enactment of the Legal Aid Act No. 27 of 1978, it seemed that provision of legal aid should be made more formal and effective. Policy makers wanted to make public policies that would enable government and other NGOs to minimize the issues when dealing with various matters in the country, and to monitor these activities in order to provide more effective services to the public.

Attention was drawn as to how legal aid should be provided in Sri Lanka, its mechanism of operation, supervision and the reform of existing legal aid programs. In the same way as legal aid is a universal fundamental right of all citizens, it must be provided with equality to all. Creating an efficient and effective professional mechanism by facilitating easy access to justice for all Sri Lankans and ensuring that the state legal aid program is more systematically empowered in the civil society and, implementing a national policy for legal aid that treats equally in all conditions irrespective of gender, disability, age, nationality, religion, caste, geographical location or other socially sensitive influences, is revolution in the legal sphere.

Cabinet approval has been granted for the preparation of the said National Policy.

# **Project Division**

### **1.3. Project Division**

During the period of 26 years since 1978 until 2004, the main focus of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka has been the concept of granting legal aid to maintain litigation. But since around 2004, the Commission has taken a number of steps to experiment with new methods of granting legal aid, hoping there is a possibility to grant the public an access to legal justice by instilling legal literacy into the public, going beyond this level.

#### **Objective**

Focusing on the parties involved in issues and helping to find solutions is an extremely significant task, whereas similarly, counselling on minimizing issues and maintaining living standards is a necessary part of it as well. If you act carefully and safely, the adverse consequences caused by many actions can be prevented. In order to function practically and intelligently in the course of everyday life, everybody should be enlightened of the feeling of the subtle knowledge required to act with knowledge and broad understanding. Comprehending this matter carefully, the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka has taken steps to establish the Project Division under the supervision of the Legal Division, in order to safeguard the security, protection and the rights of the people. Under this, planning, implementation and organization of legal knowledge and education programs are carried out.

1. In dispute resolution, a mediation without issues is more advantageous.
2. As it is a vain effort to apologise for an act committed on ignorance of law, for the purpose of protecting yourself from the consequences of any wrongdoing occurred or committed, "ignorance of law is not an excuse". Therefore, the socialization of legal knowledge is a matter with timely importance.
3. Further, contributing to the qualitative development, and increasing social inclusion for sustainable development by developing the lawfulness of society,
4. Examining the timely requirements and proposals that need to be made when imposing new laws
5. Advancement of personal legal literacy

—are key objectives that are focused on, during the formulation and implementation of programmes of the project division.

These programs are organized in collaboration with the Legal Division of the Legal Aid Commission, the staff of the local Legal Aid offices, various government institutions and NGOs, and the community participation. The programs were implemented with the cooperation of the government funds and foreign aid. We were able to implement some programs without any financial costs.

Ex. :- Media programs

### 1.3.1 Various programmes of the Project Division

- A. Mass media programmes
- B. Social participation programs for awareness creation
- C. Developmental legal aid programmes
  - Units for prison detainees, indigenous people, overseas labor force.
  - Law education programs
  - Dialogues and discourse among scholars and various communities
  - Preparation of leaflets, posters and publications to socialize the knowledge on law.
  - Conducting research and survey required to obtain the views and suggestions necessary for the new legislation.

#### **A. Massmedia Programms**

Programmes for the socialization of legal knowledge were continued to educate the public on various TV channels, radio channels and newspapers in the year 2019 as well.

##### **Massmedia Programms in 2019 - 102**

No.	Programme	Number of programmes
01	TV Programmes	56
02	Radio Programmes	16
03	News Paper Programmes	30

#### **A.1. Television & Radio Programmes**

Most of these programs are invitational programs. The Commission has not made any financial expenditure for this. During the period from January to December, 31st of 2019, TV programs have been conducted by ITN, Siyatha TV, Sirasa TV, TV Derana, Channel C, Charatha TV and radio programs by Sitha FM, Sri FM, Ruhunu Sevaya, Uva FM and Sri Lanka Radio Corporation.

No.	Mass Media Channel	No. of Programmes
01	Siyatha TV	39
02	Sirasa TV	03
03	TV Derana	02
04	ITN	10
05	Channel C	01
06	Charatha TV	01
07	Sitha FM	01
08	Sri FM	04
09	Ruhunu Sevaya	01
10	Uva FM	09
11	Sri Lanka Radio Corporation	01

The resource contribution for the above programs have been made by the officers employed in the Legal Aid Commission Head Office as well as those in various local offices. This has created a mechanism to educate the public on various legal topics and to respond to the issues of the public through TV and radio channels.

## **A.2. Through News Papers**

The project implemented by the Legal Aid Commission by means of news papers to respond to the public concerns through weekly newspapers and to generate a readership among readers wishing to obtain legal knowledge commenced in 2006. Initially, this programme was launched in Sinhala medium through the Lankadeepa newspaper and subsequently it has been sponsored by the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited (Daily News) to promote this program in English medium.

Lankadeepa and Daily News news papers agreed to grant their sponsorship for free whereupon, the programme “Neethi Sarana” on Tuesday Lankadeepa and a programme for the English readers on Monday Daily News were carried out once every two weeks, in order to respond to the readers’ issues in the year 2019. In addition, we have made our way into the society through the news papers, Sirikatha, Dinamina, Tharuni and Diyaniya.

It becomes very clear when examining the telephone calls and letters that are received daily to the Legal Aid Commission that, these programmes have received immense popularity among the readers across the island regardless of age.

### **A.2.1 Resource contribution for print media.**

No.	News Paper	No. of Issues
01	Lankadeepa	20
02	Sirikatha	05
03	Ada	01
04	Silumina	04
Total		30

## **B. Social Participatory programs for raising awareness**

The main objective is to focus on the empowerment of children, women and elderly people, who are generally considered vulnerable parties of society, and to safeguard their legal protection and security.

Further, government field officers, police officers and medical health officers have been identified as target groups in order to provide legal literacy to create a strong and efficient state mechanism.

In addition, as a welfare state, prison detainees, indigenous communities, migrant workers have been identified as distinct portions to be focused on.

## B.1. School Programmes

The best age and group for socializing any kind of knowledge is the school children. It is quite easy to educate the adult society through the child, by motivating the curiosity, the thirst for knowledge and the interest within them to find new knowledge. Programmes were launched in several forms which were broadcast through this concept by the School Programme Division of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka.

Similarly, children's right to education, the right to love and care and giving the children the knowledge needed to protect themselves from crimes were covered during these programmes. The programmes were implemented in remote schools in different parts of the country.

The Special Unit for Children of the Sri Lanka Legal Aid Commission has 19733 cases of concern to children. This year, 10 school programs have been conducted with 1033 participants.

## B.2. Programs for Women

These programs are centered around almost all rural women, semi-urban and urban women. The programs are focused on laws that protect women's rights as well as all forms of violence against her, and they are given legal protection when necessary.

A separate legal aid unit for women operates in the Legal Aid Commission. The unit provided legal advice to 27994 women in 2019 and launched 08 awareness programmes.

Various programs have been implemented in several parts of Sri Lanka in collaboration with the Ministry of Women and Child Affairs, whereas special emphasis has been placed on the conditions of law affecting the day-to-day life and the Laws, Maintenance, Domestic Violence, Divorce, Fundamental Rights, Labor Laws related to the protection of property. Programmes imparting legal knowledge, various discourses and guidance for access to legal assistance as well have been carried out.

Likewise, the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka was able to represent the National Committee on Women this year.

### B.3. Programs for Senior Citizens

Sri Lanka, one of the countries with a rapidly aging population amongst the developing countries in the world, is experiencing a very significant demographic change. Demographers predict that the adult population, which is about 1/10 of the country's overall population, will double by 2050. Eventhough the increase of life expectancy of a country or increase of the aging population is one of the characteristics of a developing country, on the other hand, lack of improvement in other welfare facilities in comparison to the growing elderly population is a challenge.

It is practically proven that, just as being very strong in manpower, proven results can be obtained by empowering them with experience and knowledge.

In Sri Lanka, where there was a 30-year war, the number of senior citizens has increased significantly, and the security and protection of senior citizens must be guaranteed for the enforcement of the social welfare concept and the administration of justice. The senior citizen community, which constitutes 11% of the total population, constitutes 20% of the electorate. In that context, the Parliament of Sri Lanka has enacted the Protection of the Rights of Elders Act No. 9 of 2000, and thereby establishing this value.

In such backdrop, the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka has carried out the affairs its Senior Citizen's Law Division in collaboration with the National Elders Secretariat. The Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka is in the process of helping the members of the Elders' Associations at the local level to obtain free solutions to their legal issues and to enforce the orders issued by the National Elders Secretariat regarding the claim of maintenance by elders, through the Magistrate's Court. Further, legal awareness programmes are also implemented for the members of the locally set up grassroot elders' societies. In the year 2019, 08 awareness programs for senior citizens were held and 730 senior citizens have participated.

### B.4. Programs for Public Officers

In general, the programs offered on legal knowledge are focused on all government officials, while providing legal knowledge for officers engaged in other specific fields as well. This is done as a task of the Legal Aid Commission for developing the professional capacity of public officers, forming an efficient state mechanism and creating a lawful, honest and contented public servant.

The project division of the Commission and the Regional Legal Aid Commission offices in collaboration with each other have conducted these programmes in various government, semi government, and provincial offices throughout the country. Here, the areas covered are administrative law, human rights law, laws on lands, bribery and corruption law, labor law and family law. Arrangements have been made to conduct programs through lectures and transfer knowledge through training courses and tutorials.

As a whole, Grama Niladharis, Samurdhi officers, Agricultural Research and Production Assistants, Family Health Officers and field officers from Divisional Secretariats have been identified as targeted groups.

Accordingly, 13 programs were funded by the Consolidated Fund.

## **B.5. Programs for Police Officers**

The police service is the statecraft who performs a major role in defending law and order. All officers who are engaged in the police service should have a good understanding and knowledge of the judiciary and legal field. Although an insight on the legal field is given when recruiting officers to the police service, the knowledge they gain on the legal changes made at different occasions and the new laws and regulations after the recruitment is rudimentary. The opportunity for gathering information is also rare.

Therefore, programs that provide an understanding on law should be carried out, in order to build professional skills of the police officers. An awareness and training programme on legal knowledge is being implemented jointly by the Legal Aid Commission and the Sri Lanka Police Department for the officers serving in various police stations island wide in this regard for a long while. Just as Criminal Law, the police officers will be given knowledge in civil and administrative fields as well.

## B.6 Programs for Medical Officers

Medical officers are a group of public officers who have little opportunity to gain legal knowledge when compared to other government officials, although they have to deal with law at all times in their profession. Eventhough on certain occasions, medical officers have to cooperate in Court procedures, only a few doctors are able to have a formal training on how to cooperate in such actions. It is a morbid question that many medico-legal officers are confronted with.

Medico-legal officers face serious challenges during autopsy, when appearing before Courts to give evidence regarding the same, on occasions where they obtain expertise evidence required for Court proceedings and, in collecting, presenting and analyzing the production of cases.

Similarly, although Medical Health Officers often need to assist in judicial work in their professional field, they lack knowledge in the legal field as well. Therefore, aducating medical practitioners on law means improving their professionalism as well as an immense help in strengthening the process of administering social justice, welfare and equity.

Just as awareness programmes on the subject of law for medical practitioners are conducted, a special service has been done to the public through legal medical clinics. Officers from the centers of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka Island wide have joined hands with Medical Professionals in community health service on the prevention of non communicable diseases.

## B.7 Mobile Legal Clinics

The Mobile Legal Aid Clinic is one of the most important projects when the realization of goals and objectives of the establishment of the Legal Aid Commission. This will help to broaden the legal aid program among grassroot communities and identify problems, enabling the general public to have an easy access to justice. This program is implemented at a grassroot level through the local legal aid offices in the country. It is made easier to identify suitable persons to provide free legal assistance for low-income people. 56 mobile legal aid clinics have been held.

Further, mobile legal clinics have been conducted during, “A Sustainable Tomorrow National Programme”, the programme held on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the open economy, the Nilamehewara Presidential Mobile Service.

### 1.3.2 Social Participation Programmes for Awareness 2019 – Programmes conducted this year and their distribution is as follows.

	Programme	No. of programmes
01	Programmes focused on children, women, adults and the disabled community in order to cooperate in providing legal knowledge, protection of rights, achieving privileges.	38
02	Awareness programmes held for public officers with the expectation of easy access to Justice for the public through formation of a qualitative and efficient Government mechanism by providing legal knowledge.	12
03	Programmes that rendered resource contribution through guest lectures and legal counseling.	79
04	Programmes focused on estate labourers, fishing community and slum dwellers (in collaboration with the Urban Development Authority)	01
05	Prison programmes.	12
06	Raising Awareness of the rural community	28
07	Legal aid clinics	28
08	Workshop for training apprentice lawyers	01
09	Raising awareness legal and medical-wise among family members of drug addicts under the topic, Prevention and Treatment of Drug Use as directed by the Presidential Secretariat in order to create a country free of drugs.	04
10	Programmes on the Right to Information Act (These programmes were implemented for the Police, Grama Niladharis, officers of divisional secretariats, executive officers including Council Members of the Colombo Municipal Council, Electrical Engineers, University students and adult community)	08
11	Programmes conducted in Batticaloa District regarding the disabled and adult communities as a part of the “Rata Wenuwen Ekata Sitimu” (Let Us Stay United for the Country) Programme which is jointly organized by the Ministry of Justice and the Legal Aid Commission.	02
12	Resource contribution made by the Attorneys-at-Law of the Legal Aid Commission to the Matale District programmes of the series of programmes conducted by the Prime Minister’s Office under the theme, “Rajya Sewaya Gamata” (Public Service brought to Village).	08
13	Awareness program for Development Officers of the Department of Samurdhi Development in Colombo, Gampaha, Rathnapura and Kalutara Districts.	03
14	Awareness programmes on Law for women within the month of March in concurrence with the Women’s Day.	07
15	Setting up an exhibition hall at the education exhibition organized by the Wayamba University for their Anniversary.	01
16	Contribution made by the Legal Aid Commission for awareness programmes for Field Officers of the Department of Land Settlement.	06
17	Participation of the Legal Aid Commission in the Enterprise Sri Lanka Programme.	02
18	Legal Aid clinics for the Yowun Puraya Exhibition held in Weerawila with the participation of Legal Aid Centres in Tissamaharama, Hambantota, Wellawaya and Matara.	04

19	Contribution made by the Legal Aid Commission for the “Rata Wenuwen Ekata Sitimu” (Let Us Stay United for the Country) Programme organized by the Presidential Secretariat.	06
20	Raising awareness on Law among Samurdhi beneficiaries by conducting awareness programmes for Samurdhi beneficiaries in Balangoda, Wellawaya and Pugoda areas.	03

## C. Developmental legal aid programs

### C.1. Program for Prison Inmates

Prisoners are human beings. Since 2002, the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka has focused on this concept. Accordingly, the key objective of this program is to provide legal aid to the detainees who have been without bail or are unable to satisfy the bail conditions for a long period of time in jail. Accordingly, the Prisons Department and the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka are conducting legal aid clinics for prison inmates throughout the country and collecting necessary information. After obtaining information, the inmates chosen for legal assistance will be given free attorneys’ assistance for their cases. 12 legal clinics were held in prisons in the year 2019.

### C.2. Program for Indigenous People

Aboriginal communities who inherit a history of many years live in different parts of the world. Notable among them are the Red Indians of America, the Pygmies of Africa, the Aborigines of Australia, and the Veddas of Sri Lanka.

Representing the earliest part of Sri Lankan history, these people are in the early stages of all kinds of conditions such as education, economic, health, employment and habitat. It is imperative that they develop legal literacy and provide them with legal aid to improve their living conditions in line with the new world. Further, the protection of the indigenous community is also a part of fulfilling the responsibility of protecting the historical heritage of our country. The focus of the government should be on empowering the mechanism to facilitate easy and equal access to justice for the protection of indigenous peoples' heritage and the privileges granted to the public by the Constitution of Sri Lanka, and to make more flexible and effective legal reforms. The opportunity should be broadened for all communities to enjoy the rights of justice and equality. The main objective of this project is to draw the government’s attention on these issues and make legal reforms.

One of the main objectives of this project is to meet the indigenous people living in different parts of Sri Lanka and to identify the current challenges associated with their homeland, traditional customs, their lives, livelihoods, educational levels and habitats. Accordingly, creating a discourse on legal issues affecting the everyday life of indigenous people takes a predominant place among the objectives of this project. Further, the Hon. Minister of Justice has been briefed about the need to enact new legislation to protect the heritage rights of the indigenous people, and research has been conducted regarding the same this year.

### C.3. Program for Migrant Workers

Special security and protection of job security, safety of lives of migrant workers who contribute to the economy of Sri Lanka by bringing foreign exchange to the country should be ensured. The number of Sri Lankan migrant workers is increasing day by day, and new legal provisions have been established to ensure their safety and protection so that it prevents illegal migration and thereby the protection and security of migrant workers is strengthened. Most of our migrant workers are Sri Lankan women and this is due to their poverty and low income level. Most of them in the Middle East are either unskilled workers, housemaids and semi-skilled workers. The Middle East region has an opportune market and demand for most of those who are temporarily moving abroad. The market for skilled and qualified foreign workers has expanded to East Asia and West Asia.

Many Sri Lankan migrant women work as housemaids in the Middle East region. Most of these housemaids are victims of human rights violations, such as loss of labor rights, abuse, physical and mental harassment at their workplace, due to lack of skills and efficiency. Likewise, some migrant women are embarrassed when they are faced with crimes and offenses abroad. Most people are ignorant about law enforcement in those countries.

This division provides services to migrant workers who are facing problems. After providing the consultancy service, they will be directed to the Consular Affairs Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment for judicial work when necessary. The unit works in collaboration with the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment (SLBFE), overseeing the Community Fund forum (Village Forum) at Divisional Secretariat level, to raise awareness of migrant workforce families.

### C.4. Legal Education Programmes

#### I. The formal legal education program

It is affiliated with the Sri Lanka Law College. The purpose is to train amateur lawyers who take oaths as lawyers a year. Between January and December this year, 275 apprentice lawyers were trained in two groups, and the Commission has obtained the external support of senior veteran presidential attorneys and resource persons.

#### II. The informal legal education program

It is a program in the form of a course to educate the public about the law. A Certificate will be awarded after holding an exam consequent to the four month course of study for the people of different ages and fields. The legal education course was conducted for a group of 52 people this year.

### C.5. Programmes focused on slum and shanty dwellers.

A programme was conducted to raise awareness among the community which was required to seek compensation from the government by instituting court cases at the Honourable Court on behalf of the community who were unable to produce clear evidence on their rights on occasions where the houses and property of the urban community in Colombo were acquired by the government and a compensation was awarded on its behalf as a result of the project carried out by the Urban Development Authority to divert the excess water to the Kelani River due to the severe flooding in the city of Colombo during the rainy season. Following these programs, the Legal Aid Commission proceeded to prosecute on behalf of 01 person at the Honourable Court.

### C.6. Programmes launched under the Right to Information Act.

Pursuant to Section 23 (1) (a) of the Information Act No. 12 of 2016, all government institutions were required to appoint an Information Officer and an Appeals Officers within their institution within 03 months of the implementation of the Act. Accordingly, the following officers of the Legal Aid Commission were appointed as Information Officers and Appeals Officers.

Mrs. Thamarashi Wikramanayake, AAL - Appointed as the Information officer

Mrs. Piumi Kumari Samarasinghe, AAL - Appointed as the Appeals Officer

08 programmes have been conducted within this year to educate lawyers in different parts of the country on the Right to Information Act.

This programme has been financially sponsored by the UNDP.

### 1.3.3 Finacial Sponsorship for Projects

The funds have been provided by the Consolidated Fund, U.N.D.P. and credited to the Legal Aid Fund and programmes of the project division have been implemented.

	<b>Programme</b>	<b>No. of programmes</b>	<b>Financial Sponsorship</b>
01	Programmes focused on children, women, adults and the disabled community in order to cooperate in providing legal knowledge, protection of rights, achieving privileges.	38	Consolidated Fund
02	Awareness programmes held for public officers with the expectation of easy access to Justice for the public through formation of a qualitative and efficient Government mechanism by providing legal knowledge.	12	Consolidated Fund
03	Programmes that rendered resource contribution through guest lectures and legal counseling.	79	Consolidated Fund
04	Programmes focused on estate labourers, fishing community and slum dwellers (in collaboration with the Urban Development Authority)	01	Urban Development Authority
05	Prison programmes.	12	Consolidated Fund
06	Raising Awareness of the rural community	28	Consolidated Fund
07	Legal aid clinics	28	Consolidated Fund
08	Workshop for training apprentice lawyers	01	Consolidated Fund
09	Raising awareness legal and medical-wise among family members of drug addicts under the topic, Prevention and Treatment of Drug Use as directed by the Presidential Secretariat in order to create a country free of drugs.	04	Consolidated Fund
10	Programmes on the Right to Information Act (These programmes were implemented for the Police, Grama Niladharis, officers of divisional secretariats, executive officers including Council Members of the Colombo Municipal Council, Electrical Engineers, University students and adult community)	08	UNDP
11	Programmes conducted in Batticaloa District regarding the disabled and adult communities as a part of the "Rata Wenuwen Ekata Sitimu" (Let Us Stay United for the Country) Programme which is jointly organized by the Ministry of Justice and the Legal Aid Commission.	02	Consolidated Fund
12	Resource contribution made by the Attorneys-at-Law of the Legal Aid Commission to the Matale District programmes of the series of programmes conducted by the Prime Minister's Office under the theme, "Rajya Sewaya Gamata" (Public Service brought to Village).	08	Consolidated Fund
13	Awareness program for Development Officers of the Department of Samurdhi Development in Colombo, Gampaha, Rathnapura and Kalutara Districts.	03	Consolidated Fund
14	Awareness programmes on Law for women within the month of March in concurrence with the Women's Day.	07	Consolidated Fund
15	Setting up an exhibition hall at the education exhibition organized by the Wayamba University for their Anniversary.	01	Consolidated Fund
16	Contribution made by the Legal Aid Commission for awareness programmes for Field Officers of the Department of Land Settlement.	06	Consolidated Fund
17	Participation of the Legal Aid Commission in the Enterprise Sri Lanka Programme.	02	Consolidated Fund
18	Legal Aid clinics for the Yowun Puraya Exhibition held in Weerawila with the participation of Legal Aid Centres in Tissamaharama, Hambantota, Wellawaya and Matara.	04	Consolidated Fund
19	Contribution made by the Legal Aid Commission for the "Rata Wenuwen Ekata Sitimu" (Let Us Stay United for the Country) Programme organized by the Presidential Secretariat.	06	Consolidated Fund
20	Raising awareness on Law among Samurdhi beneficiaries by conducting awareness programmes for Samurdhi beneficiaries in Balangoda, Wellawaya and Pugoda areas.	03	Consolidated Fund

### 1.3.4 Financial sponsorship for programs

No.	Financial Sponsorship	No. of Programmes
01	Consolidated Fund	247
02	U.N.D.P.	08
03	Other	01
Total		256

### 1.3.5 An Analytical overview of program direction at the corporate level by Consolidated Fund in 2019

No.	Centre	Date	Programme	No. of Participants	Expenditure
01	Kantale	21.09.2019	Dheewaragama Community Hall	73	40,000/-
02	Warakapola	02.10.2019	Thulhiriya Rajamaha Viharaya Awareness programme for Elders and Women	80	18,130/-
03	Galagedara	29.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Pujapitiya Awareness programme for Elders and Women	130	40,000/-
04	Nugegoda	10.12.2019	Police Station, Mirihana Raising Awareness among Public Officers	91	46,260/-
05	Kuliyapitiya	05.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kuliyapitiya Raising Awareness among Public Officers	144	37,029/-
06	Batticaloa	21.09.2019	Raising Awareness among women, Batticaloa	72	40,000/-
07	Thissamaharama	23.09.2019	Community Hall, Magama, Thissamaharama Raising awareness among Elders	57	20,000
		25.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Thissamaharama	52	20,000
08	Nawalapitiya	21.09.2019	Sri Sudharma Temple	50	40,000/-
09	Dambulla	29.09.2019	Athuparaya Temple, Raising awareness among the officers of the Department of Community Based Corrections	92	37,039/-
10	Galgamuwa	28.09.2019	Police Station, Giribaga Raising awareness among elders and women	85	40,000/-
11	Wariyapola	21.09.2019	Wedaungala Shailatharama Rajamaha Viharaya, Hidagahawewa, Bandarakoswatta Raising awareness among elders and women	110	39,981/-
12	Deiyandara	01.09.2019	Community Hall, Pattigala.	39	39,235/-
13	Valaichchenai	06.10.2019	Oddimavadi Raising awareness among school children	72	40,000/-
14	Dehiaththakan diya	19.09.2019	Kudagala School, Kudagala Raising awareness among school children, teachers and parents	130	33,620/-

15	Pottuwil	05.10.2019	Aq-Al-Ifran Ladies' Collage, Pottuwil, Raising awareness among school children	60	39,949/-
16	Mathugama	03.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Mathugama	94	39,933/-
17	Kalutara	25.03.2019	Raising awareness among women, Kalutara	75	21,200/-
		30.09.2019	Kadanagoda, Raising awareness among the public	100	40,000/-
18	Matara	30.03.2019	Raising awareness among the youth community, Weerawila	50	2,540/-
		20.08.2019	Radampola Temple, Raising awareness among the public	140	38,503/-
19	Mahiyanganaya	28.09.2019	Sri Dharmaraja Vihara, Raising awareness among the public	107	39,915/-
20	Kalmunei	08.03.2019	High Courts Complex, Kalmunei Raising awareness among the Courts staff	90	14,247/-
		07.09.2019	Pradeshia Sabha, Samanthurei Raising awareness among the public	130	35,282/-
21	Pugoda	08.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kirindiwela Raising awareness among Samurdhi Development Officers	88	46,000/-
		05.10.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kirindiwela Raising awareness among elders and the disabled	139	40,000/-
22	Mawanella	27.09.2019	Kalugala Vihara, Raising awareness among the public	49	12,652/-
23	Hambantota	09.10.2019	Prison, Angunakolapelessa Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	12,200/-
		21.09.2019	Hambantota Mosque	100	40,170/-
24	Siyambalanduwa	25.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Siyabalanduwa, Raising awareness among the public	150	24,100/-
25	Kebithigollewa	21.09.2019	Kangollewa	100	40,000/-
26	Tangalle	17.09.2019	Office of the PHI, Tangalle- Raising awareness among public officers and women	82	40,025/-
		10.09.2019	Prison, Angunakolapelessa Raising awareness among prison inmates	30	8,505/-
27	Point Pedro	21.09.2019	Thunali East, Raising awareness among the public	69	39,500/-
28	Kekirawa	14.01.2019	Office of the PHI, Kekirawa Raising awareness among doctors, nurses, family health officers, public health officers	50	40,000/-
		21.09.2019	Usgala Raising awareness among civilians	90	36,360/-
29	Avissawella	19.09.2019	Awareness Programme Raising awareness among school children	150	27,640/-
30	Mullaitivu	26.09.2019	Mullaitivu Kalapaya	46	29,824.50/-
31	Mannar	05.10.2019	Musali National School Raising awareness among school children	110	47,200/-
32	Mahawa	29.09.2019	Weerasangiliyagama Raising awareness among elders	54	38,728/-
33	Aththanagalla	10.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Aththanagalla, Raising awareness among public officers	111	39,850/-
34	Horana	07.09.2019	Prison, Kalutara, Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	8,250/-
		28.09.2019	Vidyasekara Pirivena, Bellapitiya Raising awareness among the public	70	39,994/-

35	Welimada	25.10.2019	Ambagasdowa, Uva Paranagama	100	42,153/-
36	Baddegama	15.09.2019	Panagala Mahabodhi Vidyalaya Raising awareness among elders	75	40,000/-
37	Trincomalee	21.09.2019	Kinniya Ladies' Collage, Raising awareness among school children	95	40,000/-
38	Wellawaya	31.08.2019	Malla Aththawa Temple, Raising awareness among the public	10	40,000/-
40	Mallakam	11.09.2019	Athiyar Hindu Collage, Awareness program for school children and teachers	105	39,960/-
41	Muttur	07.09.2019	Amman Nagar Hall	102	39,450/-
42	Battaramulla	02.10.2019	Non-Judicial Officers Training Institute, Raising awareness among police officers, probation officers and other officers	84	40,600/-
43	Marawila	16.09.2019	Maradawela Community Hall Raising awareness among the public	102	33,850/-
44	Monaragala	11.08.2019	Prison, Monaragala, Raising awareness among prison inmates	36	16,100/-
		15.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Raising awareness among the public	55	40,000/-
45	Badulla	21.09.2019	Sri Keththarama Temple, Raising awareness among the public	80	40,000/-
46	Kilinochchi	25.09.2019	Kili/Ramanathapuram Maha Vidyalam Awareness program for school children and teachers	75	38,120/-
47	Jaffna	25.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Raising awareness among the trainee officers	70	49,370/-
48	Deiyandara	11.10.2019	Office of the PHI, Raising awareness among public officers and women	95	40,030/-
49	Walasmulla	25.09.2019	Kanumuldeniya Maha Vidyalaya Awareness program for school children	120	39,675/-
50	Kadawatha	28.09.2019	Abhinavarama Temple Raising awareness among the public	113	40,003/-
51	Kurunegala	26.09.2019	YMBA Kurunegala Raising awareness among public officers	50	40,000/-
52	Kandy	17.09.2019	Galketiya Temple Raising awareness among the disabled	143	40,000/-
53	Balapitiya	05.10.2019	Batapola Samurdhi Office Raising awareness among women's organizations	100	40,000/-
54	Kaduwela	03.08.2019	Kothalawala Maha Vidyalaya, Raising awareness among children	116	25,921/-
		28.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Malabe Raising awareness among the public	253	184,966/-
55	Negombo	03.08.2019	Courts Complex Raising awareness among female Judges and female lawyers	25	13,400/-
56	Balangoda	08.08.2019	R/Bulathgama Vidyalaya Raising awareness among civilians	80	15,942/-
		15.09.2019	Ellapola Vidyalaya Raising awareness among civilians	82	13,510/-
57	Embilipitiya	12.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Embilipitiya Raising awareness among the officers under Community Based Corrections Centre	100	37,500/-

### 1.3.6 Participation of the Legal Aid Commission for Guest Programs

The invitation extended to the Legal Aid Commission by various organizations and social organizations for the resource contribution to programs conducted by them is a great honor for us in the legal profession and at a corporate level. In addition to the judicial duties of the Legal Aid Commission, it is a tremendous service that they have made their contribution as lecturers at awareness programmes of various social organizations and institutions, as legal counselors at mobile clinics and workshop facilitators. Similarly, the honour given to the Legal Aid Commission by the institutions who made these invitations is gratefully acknowledged.

Services provided by the Legal Aid Commission, i.e. resource contribution is based on the legal conditions related to, sexual harassment, fundamental rights, child abuse, women's rights, sexual violence, laws for the elderly people, human trafficking, labor laws, land laws and civil records, legal conditions on social issues required for everyday life, family law, women affected by war, Muslim women, women working abroad.

### 1.3.7 Participation of the Legal Aid Commission for Guest Programs

No.	Centre	Date	Location and Programme held	No. of participants	No. of guest programmes
01	Kantale	24.01.2019	Crystal Martin Private Ltd. Company	24	05
		31.01.2019	Vendrasapura Temple	35	
		06.02.2019	Crystal Martin Private Ltd. Company	24	
		13.02.2019	Crystal Martin Private Ltd. Company	24	
		27.06.2019	Human Rights Commission	50	
02	Warakapola	08.03.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Company, Thulhiriya Raising awareness among the employees	50	05
		10.09.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Company, Thulhiriya Raising awareness among the employees	40	
		16.09.2019	Divisional Sevretariat, Polgahawela Raising awareness among members of women's societies	50	
		13.12.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Company, Thulhiriya Raising awareness among the employees	100	
		19.12.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Company, Thulhiriya Raising awareness among the employees	100	
03	Galagedara	04.04.2019	Sri Dharmarama Pirivena, Hatharaliyadda Raising awareness among the public	18	02
		09.06.2019	Ajmeer Collage, Ukuwela Raising awareness among the public	10	
04	Kuliyapitiya	28.02.2019	Zonal Education Office, Kuliyapitiya Raising awareness among School Development Officers	100	03
		03.03.2019	Wayamba University, Kuliyapitiya Raising awareness among the public	9	
		06.10.2019	Epaladeniya Sanasa Raising awareness among Sanasa members	100	
05	Batticaloa	08.04.2019	Manmunei- North Raising awareness among elders	102	07

		08.04.2019	Manmunei- Southwest Raising awareness among elders	50	
		09.04.2019	Manmunei Pattu Raising awareness among elders	50	
		09.04.2019	Porthivu Pattu Raising awareness among elders	50	
		10.04.2019	Manmunei- West Raising awareness among elders	50	
		10.04.2019	Eravur Pattu Raising awareness among elders	50	
		29.08.2019	Batticaloa, Raising awareness among public officers	30	
06	Tissamaharama	12.09.2019	Prison, Weerawila Raising awareness among prison inmates	300	02
		17.12.2019	Jayagama, Thammennawa, Beralihena Raising awareness among Grama Niladharis	40	
07	Polonnaruwa	01.08.2019	District Secretariat, Polonnaruwa Raising awareness among children	50	04
		30.08.2019	Community Based Corrections Centre Raising awareness among public officers	40	
		04.09.2019	Prison, Polonnaruwa Raising awareness among prison inmates	50	
		03.10.2019	District Secretariat, Polonnaruwa Raising awareness among children	60	
08	Nawalapitiya	15.06.2019	Raising awareness among Dhamma School children	60	01
09	Dambulla	07.02.2019	Police Station, Dambulla Raising awareness among women children	50	05
		05.03.2019	Police Station, Dambulla Raising awareness among women children	60	
		28.08.2019	Community Based Corrections Department Raising awareness among the departmental officers	50	
		10.09.2019	Community Based Corrections Department Raising awareness among the departmental officers	50	
		25.09.2019	Community Based Corrections Department Raising awareness among the departmental officers	50	
10	Mount Lavinia	26.05.2019	Sanasa Auditorium, Dehiwala Raising awareness among the public	100	01
11	Galgamuwa	24.01.2019	Usgala Gamunu Maha Vidyalaya Raising awareness among children	300	02
		11.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Galgamuwa Raising awareness among the public	50	
12	Wariyapola	21.03.2019	Weerahenegedara Viharaya, Nidahas Junction, Bamunukotuwa Community Based Corrections Department Family Counselling Programme	22	02
		01.10.2019	Social Club Building, Wegolla Raising awareness among elders	50	
13	Deiyandara	15.03.2019	NSB Morawaka Raising awareness among women	30	07
		25.03.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Pasgoda	15	
		25.05.2019	Sanaya Hotel, Matara Raising awareness among legal officers and public officers	30	
		17.07.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Pasgoda Raising awareness among Grama Niladharis	100	

		18.07.2019	Beralanthara Sudarshanaramaya Raising awareness among women	40	
		22.08.2019	Rotumba Pethamaga Temple Raising awareness among women	25	
		27.08.2019	Urubokka, Nagarama Temple Raising awareness among women	40	
14	Valaichchenai	11.02.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among women	50	10
		11.04.2019	Oddimavadi, Raising awareness among elders	60	
		11.04.2019	Waharei, Raising awareness among elders	60	
		12.04.2019	Valaichchenai Raising awareness among elders	60	
		24.06.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among women	50	
		10.07.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among women	50	
		12.07.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among women	50	
		20.07.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among women	50	
		31.08.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among elders	50	
		08.11.2019	Valaichchenai, Raising awareness among children	50	
15	Dehiaththakandiya	2019.03.12	Divisional Secretariat, Dehiaththakandiya Participation in the regional committee meeting In concurrence with Women's Day	150	05
		09.04.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Dehiaththakandiya Participation in the regional committee meeting	70	
		07.05.2019	Lihiniyagama School, Dehiaththakandiya Legal clinic for teachers and parents	17	
		28.05.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Dehiaththakandiya Participation in the regional committee meeting	60	
		02.10.2019	Lihiniyagama School, Dehiaththakandiya Awareness programme for teachers and parents	40	
16	Mathugama	10.03.2019	Koswatta President's College, Dodangoda Raising awareness among rural communities	50	06
		16.03.2019	Sri Lanka Foundation Institute, Colombo Raising awareness among Legal Officers	30	
		30.04.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Palindanuwara	50	
		25.05.2019	Sanaya Hotel, Matara Raising awareness among legal officers and public officers	100	
		07.09.2019	Prison, Kalutara Raising awareness among prison inmates	50	
		21.09.2019	Galle Face Hotel, Colombo Raising awareness among Legal Officers	70	
17	Kalutara	23.04.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kalutara District Development Committee	50	10
		07.05.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Deruwala Regional Development Committee	30	
		24.06.2019	N.I.S.H. Kalutara Raising awareness among MOH Doctors	60	
		18.07.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kalutara District Development Committee	50	

		25.07.2019	Kalutara Teaching Hospital, Mithuru Piyasa	40	
		06.09.2019	Prison, Kalutara Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	
		26.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Kalutara District Development Committee	50	
		18.10.2019	Grand Beach Hotel, Kalutara	60	
		11.11.2019	N.I.S.H. Kalutara Raising awareness among MOH Doctors	60	
		20.12.2019	Raising awareness among the public, Panadura	300	
18	Matara	27.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Matara Raising awareness among rural communities	50	14
		09.03.2019	Ruhunu Sewaya, Radio Programme	රුහුණු සේවය	
		11.03.2019	MAS Private Ltd., Middeniya Raising awareness among garment employees	100	
		29.03.2019	Kotikagoda Temple Raising awareness among the public	70	
		28.05.2019	Narangoda, Raising awareness among the public	50	
		18.06.2019	Sarvodaya, Raising awareness among the public	70	
		19.06.2019	Sarvodaya, Raising awareness among the public	80	
		06.07.2019	Deniyaya, Raising awareness among the public	50	
		10.07.2019	Pasgoda, Raising awareness among the public	100	
		15.07.2019	Walasgala Temple, Raising awareness among women	80	
		28.07.2019	Morawaka, Raising awareness among the public	50	
		11.09.2019	Tangalle, Raising awareness among the public	100	
		20.10.2019	Kapugoda, Raising awareness among the public	50	
		27.11.2019	Hambantota, Raising awareness among the public	100	
19	Mahiyanganaya	24.01.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	6	09
		28.02.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	7	
		19.03.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	3	
		15.05.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	6	
		18.07.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	3	
		28.08.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	10	
		02.10.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	10	
		13.11.2019	Shade Line Clinic Raising awareness among the factory employees	5	
		10.12.2019	Shade Line Clinic	2	

			Raising awareness among the factory employees		
20	Kalmunei	04.01.2019	High Courts, Kalmunei Courts Committee Meeting	20	19
		29.01.2019	Al-Jalal College, Saindamarudu Regional Committee Meeting	50	
		31.01.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Regional Committee Meeting	45	
		05.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Karaithivu Regional Committee Meeting	35	
		28.03.2019	High Courts, Kalmunei Courts Committee Meeting	25	
		09.04.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Regional Committee Meeting	45	
		11.04.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Samanthurei Regional Committee Meeting	28	
		10.05.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Samanthurei Regional Committee Meeting	35	
		23.05.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Awareness programme	45	
		24.05.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Regional Committee Meeting	30	
		13.06.2019	High Courts, Kalmunei Courts Committee Meeting	30	
		23.07.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Karaithivu Regional Committee Meeting	50	
		01.08.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Regional Committee Meeting	45	
		26.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Karaithivu Regional Committee Meeting	30	
		12.09.2019	High Courts, Kalmunei Courts Committee Meeting	35	
		26.09.2019	Al-Hidaya Maha Vidyalaya Raising awareness among children	70	
		26.09.2019	Human Rights Commission, Kalmunei Regional Committee Meeting	55	
21.10.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Samanthurei Regional Committee Meeting	25			
28.11.2019	High Courts, Kalmunei Courts Committee Meeting	35			
21	Hambantota	03.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Raising awareness among public officers	100	08
		16.03.2019	Sri Lanka Foundation Institute Raising awareness among Legal Officers	50	
		21.03.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Hambantota	100	
		28.03.2019	Weerawila Yowun Parapura Raising awareness among the public	1000	
		03.04.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Suriyawewa	50	
		16.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Hambantota	50	
		12.10.2019	Raising awareness among Legal Officers	20	
27.12.2019	Divisional Secretariat Raising awareness among public officers	50			
22	Siyambalanduwa	27.07.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Wellawaya Raising awareness among children	100	04
		06.07.2019	University of Sabaragamuwa Raising awareness among University students	400	
		19.10.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Siyambalanduwa Raising awareness among youth community	100	
		02.11.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Lahugala	100	

			Raising awareness among youth community		
23	Tabgalle	18.03.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Tangalle Raising awareness among Legal Officers	100	04
		24.06.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Tangalle Raising awareness among public officers	200	
		01.07.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Hambantota Raising awareness among public officers	100	
		21.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Tangalle	20	
24	Point Pedro	07.09.2019	Jaffna, Raising awareness among the public	50	01
25	Panadura	09.01.2019	Prince of Wales College, Moratuwa Raising awareness among school children and parents	200	69
		10.01.2019	Police College, Kalutara Raising awareness among police officers	100	
		14.01.2019	Sirasa TV, Raising awareness among the public	Sirasa	
		14.01.2019	TV Derana, Raising awareness among the public	Derana	
		30.01.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		06.02.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		20.02.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		22.02.2019	TV Derana, Raising awareness among the public	TV Derana	
		05.03.2019	Prince of Wales College, Moratuwa Raising awareness among school children	200	
		05.03.2019	Shraddha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Shraddha	
		08.03.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		08.03.2019	Lunawa Women's Organization, Moratuwa Raising awareness among women	100	
		13.03.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		14.03.2019	Police College, Kalutara Raising awareness among police officers	100	
		19.03.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Puttalam Raising awareness among the public	50	
		25.03.2019	Police College, Kalutara Raising awareness among police officers	100	
		27.03.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
			Sirasa TV, Raising awareness among the public	Sirasa	
		29.03.2019	Sirasa TV, Raising awareness among the public	Sirasa	
		03.04.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
08.04.2019	Lunawa Women's Organization, Moratuwa Raising awareness among women	100			
10.04.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha			
24.04.2019	ITN Channel, Raising awareness among the public	ITN			
08.05.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha			
15.05.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the	Siyatha			

		public	
16.05.2019	Channel C, Raising awareness among the public	Channel C	
22.05.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
29.05.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
12.06.2019	ITN Channel, Raising awareness among the public	ITN	
19.06.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
26.06.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
03.07.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
10.07.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
12.07.2019	Sirasa TV, Raising awareness among the public	Sirasa	
17.07.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
24.07.2019	Rubber Research Board Raising awareness among women	100	
31.07.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
07.08.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
21.08.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
27.08.2019	Sri FM, Raising awareness among women	Sri FM	
28.08.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
03.09.2019	Sri FM, Raising awareness among women	Sri FM	
04.09.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
06.09.2019	Media Ministry Raising awareness among public officers	100	
11.09.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
18.09.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
24.09.2019	Police College, Kalutara Raising awareness among police officers	100	
25.09.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
01.10.2019	Sri FM, Raising awareness among women	Sri FM	
02.10.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
	Social Development Organization Raising awareness among women	100	
07.10.2019	S.D.S. Jayasinghe Central College Raising awareness among school children	150	
09.10.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
16.10.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
23.10.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
30.10.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the	Siyatha	

			public		
		06.11.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		13.11.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		20.11.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
			National Mental Health Institute Raising awareness among nurses	100	
		04.12.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		10.12.2019	SLBC, Raising awareness among the public	SLBC	
		17.12.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		18.12.2019	Ministry of Health, Raising awareness among women	100	
		23.12.2019	Registrar General's Department Raising awareness among public officers	100	
		24.12.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
		25.12.2019	SP Regional Office, Nnugegoda Raising awareness among police officers	150	
		31.12.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	
26	Kekirawa	12.01.2019	Public Health Inspector's Office, Kekirawa Raising awareness among married couples	150	16
		28.01.2019	Youth Centre, Kekirawa Raising awareness among children	250	
		28.02.2019	Secretariat, Kekirawa Raising awareness among the public	80	
		21.03.2019	RDB Bank, Raising awareness among civilians	150	
		09.04.2019	Public Health Inspector's Office, Kekirawa Raising awareness among doctors and nurses	200	
		04.07.2019	Rajarata Community Centre Raising awareness among school children	128	
		08.07.2019	Public Health Inspector's Office, Kekirawa Raising awareness among public officers	260	
		10.07.2019	Youth Centre, Kekirawa Raising awareness among children	200	
		26.07.2019	Walisinghe Harischandra College, Anuradhapura Raising awareness among children	700	
		23.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Thirappane Raising awareness among civilians	200	
		22.10.2019	Department of Probation, Raising awareness among children	100	
		15.10.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Galnewa Raising awareness among Courts officers	100	
		21.10.2019	Department of Probation, Raising awareness among school children	100	
		28.10.2019	Bastian Silva College, Raising awareness among school children	100	
		13.11.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Ipalogama Raising awareness among civilians	100	
		28.09.2019	Sigiri Villa Hotel Raising awareness among Legal Officers	30	
27	Avissawella	08.03.2019	BOI, Avissawella Raising awareness among garment employees	100	04

		16.03.2019	Sri Lanka Foundation Institute Raising awareness among Legal Officers	150	
		08.06.2019	Wellawatte (RTI Act) Raising awareness among Legal Officers	100	
		21.09.2019	Raising awareness among Legal Officers	75	
28	Mannar	20.06.2019	Asha Hotel, Mannar Raising awareness among Social Organization representatives	30	03
		20.08.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Mannar Raising awareness among women's committee leaders and social workers	40	
		21.11.2019	Public Building, Raising awareness among the public	50	
29	Homagama	09.01.2019	Siyatha TV, Raising awareness among the public	Siyatha	03
		16,17,18.01. 2019	Renuka Hotel, Colombo 03. Raising awareness among public officers	40	
		23.08.2019	Galle Face Hotel Colombo Raising awareness among Legal Officers	50	
30	Mahawa	18.10.2019	Department of Irrigation, Galgamuwa Raising awareness among public officers	100	01
31	Horana	29.01.2019	Unichela Garment Factory, Pokunuwita Raising awareness among employees	100	03
		25.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Ingiriya Raising awareness among public officers	50	
		27.03.2019	Unichela Garment Factory, Pokunuwita Raising awareness among employees	100	
32	Galle	11.09.2019	Prison, Boossa Raising awareness among prison inmates	13	04
		14.09.2019	Prison, Galle Raising awareness among prison inmates	41	
		06.09.2019	Training Centre, Wakwella	60	
		16.10.2019	Galle Light House Hotel	14	
33	Welimada	01.03.2019	Perawela	25	01
34	Baddegama	12.02.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Baddegama Raising awareness among development officers	50	07
		12.03.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Baddegama Raising awareness among development officers	150	
		15.05.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Baddegama Raising awareness among development officers	50	
		25.05.2019	Sanaya Hotel, Matara Raising awareness among development officers	50	
		17.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Baddegama Raising awareness among development officers	50	
		28.10.2019	Isipathana Vidyalaya, Mahagodakanda Raising awareness among the officers of Department of Community Based Correction	50	
		12.10.2019	ATM Programme, Hambantota Raising awareness among Legal Officers	50	
35	Mallakam	25.08.2019	Mallakam Maha Vidyalam Raising awareness among the public	18	02
		10.09.2019	Doreiyappa Ground, Jaffna Raising awareness among the public	28	
36	Matale	01.06.2019	Sangamitta Maha Vidyalaya	100	03

			Raising awareness among public officers and the public		
		08.06.2019	Kaikawala Maha Vidyalaya Raising awareness among public officers and the public	100	
		30.06.2019	Methihakka Maha Vidyalaya Raising awareness among public officers and the public	100	
37	Battamulla	29.07.2019	Military Police Officers	37	02
		10.09.2019	Sri Lanka Foundation Institute Raising awareness among the public	10	
38	Monaragala	03.08.2019	Library Auditorium, Monaragala Raising awareness among elders	150	03
		17.09.2019	Capital Resort, Monaragala Raising awareness among the public	350	
		03.12.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Bibile Raising awareness among the public	80	
39	Badulla	28.06.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Badulla Raising awareness among police officers	50	07
40	Jaffna	18.06.2019	District Secretariat Raising awareness among employees	70	
		11.07.2019	ATI, Jaffna - Raising awareness among children	100	
		24.08.2019	Vilagamama-North Raising awareness among the public	150	
		11.09.2019	District Secretariat Raising awareness among the staff	70	
		19.09.2019	Zonal Secretariat Raising awareness among elders	150	
		12.10.2019	Dan TV programme Raising awareness among the public	Dan TV	
18.11.2019	VTA, Raising awareness among children	200			
41	Kurunegala	09.03.2019	Selyn Garment Factory, Boyagane - Raising awareness among women	50	02
		12.09.2019	Prison, Kegalle Raising awareness among prison inmates	50	
42	Kandy	25.01.2019	Prison, Dumbara Raising awareness among prison inmates	30	11
		13.03.2019	Prison, Dumbara Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	
		21.03.2019	Prison, Dumbara Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	
		26.04.2019	Department of Community Based Correction Raising awareness among convicts	25	
		24.05.2019	Department of Community Based Correction Raising awareness among convicts	35	
		09.07.2019	Prison, Dumbara Raising awareness among prison inmates	100	
		13.09.2019	Golden Crown Hotel Raising awareness among Legal Officers	100	
		14.09.2019	Golden Crown Hotel Raising awareness among Legal Officers	100	
		03.09.2019	Earls Regent Hotel Raising awareness among Legal Officers	100	
		11.11.2019	Legal Aid Commission, Kandy Training apprentice lawyers	20	
		15.11.2019	Legal Aid Commission, Kandy Training apprentice lawyers	20	
43	Balpitiya	07.08.2019	Zonal Secretariat, Balpitiya	100	03

			Raising awareness among public officers		
		21.09.2019	Zonal Secretariat, Ambalangoda Raising awareness among women	100	
		23.03.2019	Zonal Secretariat, Ambalangoda Raising awareness among women	100	
44	Nuwara Eliya	20.03.2019	Awareness Programme Raising awareness among public officers	50	02
		21.06.2019	Raising awareness among the public	75	
45	Kaduwela	19.07.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Raising awareness among employees	63	01
46	Negombo	16.01.2019	Mattumagala Church	50	07
		28.01.2019	Garment Factory Raising awareness among employees	100	
		05.03.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Raising awareness among employees	150	
		31.05.2019	Mattumagala Church	50	
		01.12.2019	Thammata Church	50	
		02.12.2019	Mattumagala Church	50	
		06.12.2019	Dam St. Church	50	
47	Balangoda	24.10.2019	Rassagala Temple Raising awareness among civilians	50	
		21.12.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Balangoda Raising awareness among public officers	50	
48	Embilipitiya	23.01.2019	Royal College, Embilipitiya Raising awareness among school children	150	04
		09.05.2019	Leadership Training Centre Raising awareness among sports teachers	120	
		10.05.2019	Leadership Training Centre Raising awareness among sports teachers	120	
		08.11.2019	MAS Private Ltd. Raising awareness among employees	1800	
49	Bandarawela	24.01.2019	Heelaoya Sri Sumangala College Raising awareness among school children	150	17
		08.03.2019	Bandarawela Tamil Maha Vidyalam Raising awareness among school children	250	
		10.09.2019	Divisional Secretariat, Haldumulla Raising awareness among public officers	100	
		04.09.2019	Uva Rural Radio Service, Bandarawela Neethi Vimana		
		09.09.2019			
		18.09.2019			
		02.10.2019			
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# **Development & Management Division**

## **2. Development & Management Division**

### **2.1. Recruitment Procedure of the Legal Aid Commission**

Approval was granted by the Department of Management Services for the recruitment procedure of the Legal Aid Commission in the year 2019. Accordingly, the mechanism for restructuring of the Legal Aid Commission was implemented.

### **2.2. Networking of Legal Aid Centers - (e-Dairy)**

The Legal Aid Commission is keenly aware of the need for some substantive program for the implementation and monitoring of management and development activities required to maintain an effective and formal legal aid mechanism. It was decided during this year that the most effective and appropriate course of action was to maintain the coordination and supervision work by networking the regional centers.

The work of the Legal Division was supervised through this mechanism. It is thereby expected to monitor the work of the Project Division and monitor the judicial files. Coordination with the Engineering Technology Division of the University of Moratuwa is being done in order to develop this E-Diary programme further.

### **2.3 Infrastructure**

#### **2.3.1 Office Equipment**

Necessary arrangements have been made to provide new office equipments with the objective of improving infrastructure facilities at regional centers.

<b>No</b>	<b>Type of Equipment</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Centre</b>
01	Legal Books		All centres
02	Office equipment	11	Battaramulla, Wariyapola, Nugegoda, Puttalam, Matara, Kaduwela, Hatton, Panadura, Head Office, Dehiaththakandiya, Anuradhapura
03	Air Conditioners	4	Head Office
04	Computers and accessories	13	Head Office and Regiona; Centres 10
05	Furniture and equipment	16	Galle, Hettipola, Chillaw, Kuliypitiya, Dehiaththakandiya, Negombo, Embilipitiya, Walasmulla, Galagedara, Deniyaya, Hatton, Matara, Hingurakgoda, Mahiyanganaya, Anuradhapura, Head Office.

## 2.3.2 Renovation of buildings

Renovation of the sign-boards at Tissamaharama, Walasmulla, Aththanagalla, Matara, Hettipola, Avissawella, Trincomalee, Monaragala, Baddegama centres and the Head Office in Colombo.

### 2.3.2.1. Renovation of Buildings -2019

No.	Project	Counsellor	Expected Cost (Rs.)	Expenditure as at 31.12.2019 (Rs.)
01	Renovation work in Walasmulla	Department of Buildings	Stage I - 831,000 Stage II - 867,000	1,637,000
02	Renovation work in Bibile	Department of Buildings	228,633	228,633
03	Renovation work in Galle	Department of Buildings	1,740,000	955,405.40
04	Renovation work in Aththanagalla	Department of Buildings	2,611,466	2,385,534.32
05	Renovation work in Puttalam	District Contractors	303,023.46	303,023.46
06	Renovation work in the Head Office	Department of Buildings	201,110.85	201,110.85
07	Renovation work in Kurunegala	Department of Buildings	7,162,000	4,904,463.04
08	Construction of the new building in Kalutara	Department of Buildings	The building construction plan has been submitted to the Municipal Council for approval. The Municipal Council has requested a survey plan prepared within five years upon a new survey of the Court premises, in order to obtain the approval for the building plan. A request has been made to the Ministry of Justice in this regard.	
09	Construction of the new building in Kaduwela	Department of Buildings	A request has been made to the Ministry of Justice to obtain a survey plan prepared within five years upon a new survey of the Court premises, in order to submit to the the Municipal Council for approval of the building construction plan.	
10	Construction of the new building in Dambulla	Department of Buildings	A request has been made to the Ministry of Justice to obtain a survey plan prepared within five years upon a new survey of the Court premises, in order to submit to the the Municipal Council for approval of the building construction plan.	

## 2.4 Opening of New Legal Aid Centers

Hettipola legal aid centre was established as the 21<sup>st</sup> legal aid centre in January 2019.



## 2.5 Inspection of regional centers

Inspections of Regional Centers were carried out in the year 2019. Despite the limited transport facilities we have, this has been done with much difficulty, but we have inspected the following Regional Offices.

No.	Centre	Date of Inspection
01	Puttalam	30.05.2019
02	Marawila	30.05.2019
03	Chilaw	30.05.2019
04	Polonnaruwa	09.05.2019
05	Mahiyanganaya	17.02.2019
06	Dehiaththakandiya	17.02.2019
07	Bibile	18.02.2019
08	Monaragala	18.02.2019
09	Walasmulla	18.02.2019
10	Embilipitiya	18.02.2019

## 2.6. Staff training.

Only local training has been done in this year.

Training of Legal Officers was carried out at provincial level with the assistance of USAID. Accordingly, training programmes were conducted for the legal officers of regional offices in Northern, North-Central and Eastern Provinces in Habarana, for the legal officers of regional offices in Wayamba, Central and Uva Provinces in Kandy, for the legal officers of regional offices in Southern and Sabaragamuwa Provinces in Hambantota and for the legal officers of regional offices in Western Province in Colombo. Accordingly, 04 training programmes have been conducted in the year 2019 where 123 legal officers have been trained.

## 2.7. New recruitments.

The new recruitment of the Legal Aid Commission for the year 2019 is as follows.

No.	Designation	No. of Officers
01	Legal Officer	04
02	Management Assistant	01
03	Office Employee	04
	Total	09

# **Accounts Division**

## Accounts Division

### 3. Financial Statement - 2019

#### 3.1 Statement of Financial Position as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

Item	Note	As at 31.12.2018 (Rs)	As at 31.12.2019 (Rs)
<b>Assests</b>			
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets	2	36,627,192	53,760,133
Current assets			
Prepaid and Debtors	9	14,172,924	884,357
Fixed deposits	10	4,403,637	5,398,776
Bank balance	10	26,372,639	16,243,097
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b><u>81,576,390</u></b>	<b><u>76,286,362</u></b>
<b>Rights and Liabilities represented</b>			
Accumulation Fund	3	31,383,715	9,192,893
Settlement of expenses		1,555,918	4,327,418
Non-Current Liability	5	43,432,575	57,195,537
Current Liabilities			
Accrued expenses	4	5,204,184	5,570,516
<b>Overall shares and liabilities</b>		<b><u>81,576,391</u></b>	<b><u>76,286,363</u></b>

## 3.2 Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka- Legal Aid Fund

### 3.2.1 Cash Flow Statement for the year ended from 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

Item	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
<b>Net income on expenditure</b>	(13,838,669)	(35,418,539.14)
Added retention	-	227,717.60
Depreciation	6,615,843	10,496,940.41
Deducted other income	-	-
Bad Debt	-	-
Gratuity Provision	9,929,381	14,589,141.89
Interest income	(399,316)	(1,933,638.87)
<b>Cash flow from operations</b>	<b><u>2,307,240</u></b>	<b><u>(12,038,378.11)</u></b>
<b>Working capital</b>		
Increase/decrease on current assets	5,778,415	13,288,565.46
Increasing accrued expenses	(2,523,771)	366,331.35
Payment of gratuity	(667,018)	(826,180.00)
<b>Net cash flow from operations</b>	<b><u>2,587,627</u></b>	<b><u>12,828,717</u></b>
<b>Cash flow from investment activities</b>		
Purchasing of furniture	(1,374,976)	(923,235.74)
Purchasing of office equipments	(1,533,343)	(1,298,743.13)
Purchasing of computures	(1,896,000)	(3,630,585.10)
Purchasing of books	(43,000)	(19,149.50)
Increases for buildings	(14,699,837)	(17,798,167.40)
Transfer of fixed deposits	(250,000)	(250,000.00)
<b>Net cash flow from investment activities</b>	<b><u>(19,797,156)</u></b>	<b><u>(23,919,880.87)</u></b>
<b>Cash flow from financial activities</b>		
Capital Allowances Receipts	18,092,806	13,000,000.00
The increase or decrease of cash equivalentents in the year	3,190,516	(10,129,542)
Cash or cash equivalentents at the beginning of the year	23,182,121	26,372,637)
<b>Cash or cash equivalentents at the end of the year</b>	<b><u>26,372,637</u></b>	<b><u>16,243,095</u></b>

### 3.2.2 Statement of Change in Equity as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

Item	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
Restated balance as at 01 <sup>st</sup> January	30,380,342	31,383,715
Balance brought forward	(3,250,764)	227,717
Capital grants	18,092,806	13,000,000
Surplus expenses within the year	(13,838,669)	(35,418,539)
Balance as at 31 <sup>st</sup> December	31,383,715	9,192,893

### 3.2.3 Total Income Statement for the year ended from 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

Item	Notes	As at 31.12.2018 (Rs)	As at 31.12.2019 (Rs)
Allowances, registration fees, income receipts, etc.	6	205,195,697	226,198,895.47
Administration expenses	7	218,960,955	261,566,673.61
Activity Excess or (Deficit)			
Financial expenses		(13,765,257)	(35,367,778)
Net surplus or deficit for year	8	73,411	50,761.00
		<b><u>(13,838,669)</u></b>	<b><u>(35,418,539)</u></b>

**3.2.4 Notes on the Financial Statement of the Year Ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2019**

Item	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
<b>2. Fixed Assets</b>		
Cost	63,786,442	83,823,598
Balance brought forward	20,037,157	27,629,881
Additions during the year		
Exclusions during the year	<b><u>83,823,598</u></b>	<b><u>111,453,479</u></b>
Balance brought forward		
Provision for depreciation	40,580,664	47,196,406
Balance brought forward	6,615,842	10,496,940
Depreciation for the year		
Exclusions during the year	<b><u>47,196,406</u></b>	<b><u>57,693,346</u></b>
Balance brought forward		
Total cost forwarded	83,823,598	111,453,479
Provision for depreciation	47,196,406	57,693,346
Total book value	<b><u>36,627,192</u></b>	<b><u>53,760,133</u></b>
<b>3. Accumulated Fund</b>		
Balance brought forward	30,380,342	31,383,715
Equity and Capital	33,747,436	50,836,868
Prior year adjustments	-	227,718
Income retained	(36,998,200)	(50,836,869)
Receipt of capital funds during the year	18,092,806	13,000,000
Excess or deficiency during the year	(13,838,669)	(35,418,539)
	<b><u>31,383,715</u></b>	<b><u>9,192,893</u></b>

### **3.2.5 Notes to the Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2019**

Item	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
<b>4. Accrued Expenses</b>		
Salaries payable		177,998
Provident Funds Payable	2,280,846	2,697,944
Employee Trust Funds Payable	4,467	-
Audit fees payable	397,171	398,646
Other or different expenses payable	1,109,971	1,094,238
Programs to be paid	3,501	-
Annual Reports printing	350,000	197,560
Liability for pay	929	-
Allowances to be paid	1,053,975	1,000,000
Insurance claims payable	125	929
Payment for staff	3,200	3,200
	<b><u>5,204,184</u></b>	<b><u>5,570,516</u></b>
<b>5. Gratuity</b>		
Balance brought forward	30,921,916	43,432,575
	3,248,296	-
	9,929,381	14,589,142
Allocation during the year	667,018	826,180
Gratuity payments during the year	<b><u>43,432,575</u></b>	<b><u>57,195,537</u></b>

### **3.2.6 Notes to the Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 2019**

Item	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
<b>9. Prepaid and Debtors</b>		
Renovation of buildings	13,365,205	228,683
Advances	12	11
Petty Cash	188,500	284,000
Deposits	432,159	170,126
Debtors (for floods)	12,960	183,935
Payments for Debtors	-	11,826
Stores rental	-	5,375
Program balance prepaid	174,084	400
	<b><u>14,172,923</u></b>	<b><u>884,357</u></b>
<b>10. Cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Cash balance	26,372,639	16,243,097
Fixed deposit	4,403,637	5,398,776
	<b><u>30,776,275</u></b>	<b><u>21,641,872</u></b>

### 3.2.7 Receipts for the Legal Aid Fund from the year 2012 to 2019

#### (Recurrent)

Item	2012 (Rs)	2013 (Rs)	2014 (Rs)	2015 (Rs)	2016 (Rs)	2017 (Rs)	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
Recurrent Fund	75,000,000	118,853,241	133,000,000	160,460,000	191,000,000	193,925,423	198,975,000	220,000,000
Other grants	22,425,000	-	17,971,913	7,490,501	7,101,000	321,718	2,903,214	2,409,400
Registration fees	-	-	1,976,814	461,805	444,200	549,200	510,600	596,400
Apprentice Lawyer Course fees	-	-	796,832	761,000	974,000	1,163,000	878,000	798,000
Presidential Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140,500
Supplementary Law course fees	-	-	615,918	258,000	270,500	-	-	-
Interest revenue	-	392,703	195,604	170,415	185,149	316,396	405,188	750,263
Book sales	-	-	730,693	72,350	24,930	105,410	4,270	200
Library revenue	-	-	22,661	113,789	175,803	274,172	298,655	304,033
<b>Total</b>	<b>97,425,000</b>	<b>119,245,944</b>	<b>155,310,435</b>	<b>169,787,860</b>	<b>200,175,582</b>	<b>196,655,319</b>	<b>205,195,697</b>	<b>226,198,895</b>

### 3.3 Statement of Expenditure - 2012 to 2019

Description	2012 (₹)	2013 (₹)	2014 (₹)	2015 (₹)	2016 (₹)	2017 (₹)	2018 (₹)	2019 (₹)
<b>Wages</b>	84,932,616	99,903,620	108,305,620	135,919,053	149,738,011	172,802,472	168,489,215	200,700,727
<b>Payment of Bar Council</b>	3,331,650	3,596,817	5,083,073	5,691,880	5,846,335	7,106,874	8,359,574	6,661,616
Office expenses								
Phones	2,300,788	2,714,415	2,872,253	2,921,458	3,609,480	4,266,397	4,117,343	3,975,290
Electricity and Water	881,164	1,009,641	1,229,897	1,165,682	1,311,921	1,278,647	1,470,149	1,528,048
Stationery & Printing	869,015	1,428,595	1,597,317	1,278,621	1,825,020	1,769,178	1,567,468	1,676,938
Postage charges	435,598	413,430	577,501	619,199	733,509	769,296	734,728	903,914
Maintenance and Repair	2,217,509	1,647,600	2,013,396	3,061,149	11,958,396	5,109,879	2,686,825	3,049,897
Rent	699,000	1,047,358	1,702,000	1,183,000	1,254,000	1,034,000	1,820,917	1,898,875
Batta and transportation costs	255,681	221,501	413,164	369,040	632,955	631,544	679,018	685,793
Foreign travel expenses	163,408	239,400	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program expenses	11,517	30,634	21,508,378	9,334,844	16,131,178	9,756,142	6,284,911	8,267,711
Fuel for vehicles	269,758	522,950	405,395	186,189	147,434	197,215	278,001	369,517
Vehicle insurance and repairs	175,835	173,381	715,415	1,422,334	1,271,607	1,380,686	1,335,222	928,069
Staff Medical Insurance	-	-	-	1,214,773	1,008,500	1,008,500	-	1,266,811
Attorney's fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advertising expenses	11,800	23,748	12,845	56,580	216,100	89,727	474,859	69,108
Employee Welfare	187,400	83,160	145,600	-	-	34,500	117,645	95,979
Staff training costs	230,188	310,601	144,128	108,448	204,890	274,287	216,412	201,572
Professional fees	-	11,000	97,500	274,744	279,444	168,119	93,267	69,000
Assessment Accounts	-	10,820	-	-	-	24,663	-	-
Conversion fee account	-	9,153	22,296	17,652	15,501	9,538	59,665	40,100
Meeting expenses	45,245	9,015	2,360	9,515	8,850	15,050	31,550	7,375
Library expenses	880,325	480,000	529,911	-	15,170	186,747	-	16,150
Various expenses	-	-	3,962	33,656	38,554	58,880	79,679	186,562
Sanitary expenses	391,260	530,526	558,424	424,533	489,794	718,357	2,283,232	2,966,203
Center monitoring and opening	361,982	117,624	44,762	101,081	143,244	200,468	-	332,147
Annual Report Expenses	-	-	247,500	214,925	350,000	-	-	47,516
Bank charges	77,701	83,838	69,085	54,260	52,500	55,570	73,411	50,761
Allocations								
Gratuity	2,374,957	2,079,908	11,468,979	2,926,295	4,670,851	3,952,310	9,929,381	14,589,142
Depreciation	3,723,763	6,066,342	8,225,883	8,454,031	7,389,590	7,092,145	6,615,843	10,496,940
Audit fees	304,682	99,704	80,000	100,000	100,000	125,000	200,000	500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>105,133,841</b>	<b>122,864,781</b>	<b>168,076,643</b>	<b>177,142,941</b>	<b>209,442,833</b>	<b>220,193,634</b>	<b>219,034,366</b>	<b>261,617,435</b>

### 3.4 Recurrent receipts and expenses for the Legal Aid Fund from 2012 to 2019

Item	2012 (Rs)	2013 (Rs)	2014 (Rs)	2015 (Rs)	2016 (Rs)	2017 (Rs)	2018 (Rs)	2019 (Rs)
<b>Receipts</b>	97,425,000	119,245,944	155,310,435	169,787,860	200,175,582	196,655,319	204,472,427	220,000,000
<b>Expenses</b>	105,133,841	122,864,781	168,076,643	177,142,941	209,442,833	220,193,634	219,034,366	261,617,435

### 3.5 Capital Fund from 2013 to 2019

Item	2013 )Rs(	2014 )Rs(	2015 )Rs(	2016 )Rs(	2017 )Rs(	2018 )Rs(	2019 (Rs)
<b>Capital Receipts</b>	13,800,000	24,000,000	14,800,000	25,000,000	11,500,000	18,092,806	13,000,000
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>	17,800,000	14,900,000	11,600,000	20,800,000	11,800,000	15,079,607	10,566,858

  
 Hon. Justice Hector Yapa  
 (Retired Supreme Court Judge)  
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# Audit Report

**NATIONAL AUDIT  
OFFICE**

My No.: JPA/B/LAC/01/FA/19/24

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

Chairman (Accounting Officer),  
Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka

The audit report of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka in terms of Section 12 of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 on financial statements and other legal and regulation requirements for the year ended on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

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The aforesaid report has been forwarded herewith.

Sgd./illegibly  
W.P.C. Wikramaratne  
Auditor General

Copies: 1. Secretary, Ministry of Justice, Human Rights and Law Reforms  
2. Secretary, Ministry of Finance

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## **1. Financial Statements**

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### **1.1 Disclaimer of Opinion**

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The audit of the financial statements of the of Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka for the year ended on 31 December 2019 comprising the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019 and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154 (1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with provisions of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 and the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971. My report will be tabled in Parliament in due course as per Article 154 (6) of the Constitution.

I do not express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements of the Commission. Because of the significance of the matters discussed in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of my report, I have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on these financial statements.

## **1.2 Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion**

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- (a) The details required for the verification of the balance of equity capital amounting to Rs. 33,747,436/- and the balance of retained earnings of Rs. 36,998,200/- which was brought forward from the preceding year were not presented for the audit in the previous year as well as the year under review.
- (b) The financial statements carried the balance related to the preceding year as Rs. 31,383,715 and the balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> December in the corresponding year under review as Rs. 9,192,893 under the balance of equity of the institute. However, the journal vouchers containing the details of the adjustments made to the opening balance of the previous year, in the year under review amounting to Rs. 36,108,501 were not presented for the audit, whereas the particulars related to the said adjustments had not been disclosed in the financial statements even by an information tally sheet.
- (c) As the balance of 04 advances amounting to Rs. 102,100 in total which had been settled not at the end of the year under review but in the year 2020 had been indicated as a settlement of advance in the year under review, the said due balance of advance had not been demonstrated in the financial statements.
- (d) Although the interest of 12 fixed deposits with a total of Rs. 5,398,776 which was possessed by the Commission as at the end of the year under review had been carried forward as accumulated, no fixed deposit ledger that includes the details of the said deposits and the deposit interest had been maintained.

## **1.3 Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements**

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Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards and for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Commission's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Commission or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Commission's financial reporting process.

As per Sub-section 16 (1) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the Commission is required to maintain proper books and records of all its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities, to enable annual and periodic financial statements to be prepared of the Commission.

#### **1.4 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

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It is my responsibility to issue the Auditor's report on the financial statements of the Commission being based on the audit conducted in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAS). However, I was unable to obtain adequate and appropriate audit evidence in order to provide a basis for an audit opinion on these financial statements due to the matters elaborated in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of the report.

#### **2. Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

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Special provisions on the following requirements are set out in the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018.

- I was unable to obtain all details and explanations required for the audit in terms of the requirements set out in Section 12 (a) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 and, as it is apparent from my inquiry I was not able to determine that the Commission has maintained proper financial reports.
  
- The financial statements of the Commission which were submitted in terms of the requirement set out in Section 6 (1) (d) (III) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 are consistent with the preceding year.

- The financial statements which were submitted did not contain the recommendations I had made in relation to the paragraph No. 1.2 (a) of the financial statements of the preceding year in terms of the requirement set out in Section 6 (i) (d) (iv) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018.

There are no sufficient facts that have drawn my attention to make any of the following statements upon the measures followed and the evidence obtained, and being confined to quantitative facts.

- That any member of the Board of Administration of the Commission has any direct or indirect interest in any contract entered into by the Commission outside the general business condition in terms of the requirement set out in Section 12 (d) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018.
- That the Commission has not complied with any applicable written law or other general or special directions issued by the Board of Administration of the Commission in terms of the requirement set out in Section 12 (f) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 except for the following observations.

<u>Reference to Rules, Regulations and Provisions</u>	<u>Description</u>
(a) Financial Regulations 371 (2) of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.	The settlement of the advance of Rs. 173,569 granted on 09 occasions had been delayed for a range of period from day 07 to day 53.
(b) Section 9.12 of the Public Enterprises Circular No. PED/12 dated 02 <sup>nd</sup> June 2003.	A private insurance policy had been introduced for the employees of the Commission in the year 2015 contrary to the provisions of the Circular, whereas a sum of Rs. 1,266,811 which is 50 per cent of the insurance contribution, had been paid to a private insurance company relating to 56 employees for the year under review.
(c) Public Administration Circular No. 30/2016 dated 29 <sup>th</sup> December 2016.	Fuel test regarding 05 vehicles belonging to the Commission had not been performed as per the circular.

- That the Commission has failed to perform in compliance with its powers, functions and duties in terms of the requirement set out in Section 12 (g) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 except for the following observations.

Necessary action had not been taken yet to execute the key powers, i.e. establish, administer, develop and co-operate in experimental programmes, law clinics and projects respecting any aspect of the provision of legal aid and for such purposes employ staff necessary to initiate, develop and operate the programmes and projects as set out in Paragraph 4 (i) in the Legal Aid Commission Act No. 27 of 1987.

- That the resources of the Commission have not been procured and utilized economically, efficiently and effectively within the time frames and in compliance with the applicable laws in terms of the requirement set out in Section 12 (h) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 except for the following observations.

The improvement and renovation of the Legal Aid Centre maintained in the High Court Complex in Kurunegala had been assigned to the Department of Buildings for an estimate of Rs. 6,227,826. An advance of Rs. 3,113,913 which is 50 percent of the estimated amount had been paid in December 2016. The work was supposed to be completed as at 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 as per the agreement. The construction had been temporarily suspended and resumed on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 as the length of the building had to be extended by 10 feet where the construction was carried out according to the second plan upon amendment of the first plan. In this case, the construction had been delayed as the plan had not been properly prepared by discussing with the High Court Judge and conducting a feasibility study. Further, it had been 02 years and 08 months since the payment of advance for the construction had been made, as at 01<sup>st</sup> August 2019. Consequently, a building rental fee of Rs. 600,000 had to be paid for the building obtained on a lease agreement to maintain the Legal Aid Centre for the period ranging from 04<sup>th</sup> May 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

### 03. Other Audit Observations

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- (a) Although the approved cadre of the entire staff of the institute is 360, the actual staff as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 was 285 and the total number of vacancies in the staff was 75, 16 out of which were in the posts of the senior management level.
- (b) More than one Court is functioning in most of the Jurisdiction where Legal Aid Commission offices are located. A need for the service of legal officers existed further in order to continue the affairs in the office more effectively as 40 out of 60 Legal Aid Centers had only one Legal Officer employed and on certain occasions they had to travel to other areas of Jurisdiction.
- (c) According to the Progress report of the Commission the number of cases carried forward from the year 2018 for providing legal aid was 32,431 whereas there were 13,532 newly filed cases in the year 2019, and consequently the total number of cases to be proceeded in the year under review was 45,963. However, legal assistance had been provided to settle 10,641 cases in the year under review and the number of cases further remained waiting for assistance as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 was 35,322.
- (d) The average of the balance remained in the current account maintained by the Commission in Bank of Ceylon Hulftsdorp Branch amounted to Rs. 19,067,226 during the period of 12 months from January to December, 2019. During the entire period a sum ranging from Rs. 11 Million to Rs. 24 Million remained without being efficiently utilized, whereas no action had been taken to invest such funds productively.
- (e) Although the national policy termed as The Proposed Legal Aid Policy for Sri Lanka had been approved by the Cabinet of Ministers on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2016 with the aim of empowering the State Legal Aid Scheme within the society in a more formal manner, it had not been implemented.

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8	Badulla	055-2225759
9	Balangoda	045-2289099
10	Balapitiya	091-2255753
11	Bandarawela	057-2224733
12	Battaramulla	011-2877687
13	Batticaloa	065-2225399
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15	Chilaw	032-2222175
16	Dambulla	066-2284551
17	Deiyandara	041-2268077
18	Deniyaya	041-2271128
19	Embilipitiya	047-2230299
20	Galgamuwa	037-2253290
21	Galle	091-2226124
22	Gampaha	033-2248804
23	Hambantota	047-2221092
24	Hatton	051-2222390
25	Hingurakgoda	027-2245521
26	Homagama	011-2748813
27	Horana	034-2265244
28	Jaffna	021-2224545
29	Kadawatha	011-2922440
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31	Kalmunei	067-2223710
32	Kalutara	034-2222017
33	Kandy	081-2388978
34	Kantale	026-2234521
35	Kebithigollewa	025-2298101
36	Kegalle	035-2231790
37	Kekirawa	025-2263536
38	Kilinochchi	021-2285618
39	Kuliyapitiya	037-2284611
40	Kurunegala	037-2229641
41	Mt. Lavinia	011-2718708
42	Mahiyanganaya	055-2258332

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45	Marawila	032-2254443
46	Matale	066-2224828
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48	Matugama	034-2249262
49	Mawanella	035-2247272
50	Minuwangoda	011-2297790
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52	Mullaitivu	021-2290077
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55	Negombo	031-3321476
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67	Tangalle	047-2240122
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