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ස්ථාවර නියෝග අංක 119(4) ප්‍රකාර රජයේ ගිණුම් පිළිබඳ කාරක සභාව විසින් පාර්ලිමේන්තුව වෙත ඉදිරිපත් කරන ලද වාර්තා සම්බන්ධයෙන් නිරීක්ෂණ සහ ගනු ලැබූ ක්‍රියාමාර්ග ඉදිරිපත් කිරීම

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நிறுவனத்தின் பெயர் : பாராளமன்றத்தின் அரசாங்கக்கட்சி முதற்கோலாசான் அலுவலகம்

பாராளுமன்ற நிலையியற் கட்டளை 119(4) இன் பிரகாரம் அரசாங்க கணக்குகள் பற்றிய குழுவினால் பாராளுமன்றத்திடம் சமர்ப்பிக்கப்பட்ட அறிக்கை தொடர்பான அவதானிப்புகளும் முன்னெடுப்புகளும் பற்றிய அறிக்கையிடல்

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Deficiencies identified by the Committee	Measures taken by the institution to rectify deficiencies / present Position
Register of Internal Audit queries was not maintained on up to date basis. In terms of State Account Circular No. 171/2004 of 11.05.2004, when using the government payroll software package the first password of the system was not used only by the accountant or by an authorized staff officer. Fuel consumption of vehicles belonging to the Special Spending Unit had not been retested in terms of the provisions of paragraph 3.1 of the Public Administration Circular No. 30/2016 of 29.12.2016. Internal audit programme had not been prepared at the beginning of the year after consulting the Auditor General in terms of Financial Regulation 134(2). At least 02 Audit and Management Committee meetings had not been held per year.	I. Although an Internal Audit Unit had not been established in the year 2021, such a Unit was established in the year 2023. II. An Accountant had not been appointed in the year 2021. All the functions related to the accounts were carried out by a Finance Assistant and the password of payroll software package was used by him. After an Accountant was appointed in the year 2022, passwords of the software packages related to the Accounts Division are used under the supervision of the Accountant. III. Since vehicle usage was in a very minimum level due to the Covid pandemic prevailed in the year 2021, there was no opportunity to test fuel consumption of the vehicles. Fuel consumption tests are being carried out continuously since the year 2022. IV. An Internal Audit Unit had not been established in the year 2021 and presently, such a Unit has been established.

A website had not been created or maintained to provide information about the institute to the public. The website that is maintained by the institution does not provide an opportunity for the public to lodge complaints or to give commendations. The audit opinion about the accounts of the institution had been a disclaimed opinion or an unfavorable opinion. Performance agreements covering the entire staff had not been drafted or entered. Performance targets that would enable the measurement of the level of achievement of the identified sustainable development goals had not been set. The indicators to measure the progress of implementation of Sustainable Development Goals had not been set.	I. Although, the Office of the Chief Government Whip is operated under a separate Head of Expenditure, functions of this office are performed in collaboration with Parliament of Sri Lanka. Coordination of functions of the Members representing the Government Group of Parliament is carried out by this office and the details of all such Members have been included to the Parliamentary website. Therefore, there is no requirement to maintain a separate website until now. However, attention has been focused to create a new website on the requirements arisen in the future. Necessary instructions have been provided to draft performance agreements for the next year. II. Capacity Building programmes were not organized due to the Covid pandemic situation prevailed in the first three quarters in the year 2021. However, in the last quarter action was taken to make the officers participate in the training workshops related to each subject at two times enabling to achieve performance targets covering all the officers. III. Officers have been given instructions to enter into the performance agreements covering the entire staff from the year 2022.

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