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Performance Report

2023

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Ministry of Trade, Commerce and Food Security

Performance Report-2023

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Content

Chapter 01 – Institutional Profile/ summery of implementation process

1.1 Introduction

This Ministry, which has been established as the Ministry of Internal Trade, Food Security and Consumers' Welfare by the G 10.12.2019, has been reestablished again by Gazette Extraordinary No 2187/27 dated 29.08.2020 and 2205/14 dated 11.12.2020 as the Ministry of Ministry of Trade and then it has again been established as the Ministry of Trade, Commerce and Food Security under Gazette Extraordinary No. 2281/41 dated 27.05.2021, 2289/43 dated 22.07.2022 and No. 2311/42 dated 22.12.2022.

This Ministry directly intervenes to take action for delivering consumer items to the General Public through a competitive local trade network whilst ensuring the rights of consumers, carrying out services and regulatory measures leading the trade sector, taking action to ensure the living standards of Sri Lankans by way of enhancing the quality of daily goods and services through monitoring and implementing the trade policy. Further, one of other main tasks of the Ministry is to maintain coordination among institutions operated under the Ministry in order to ensure food security. In the meantime, the Ministry takes leadership to enhance international trade and earn foreign exchange whilst contributing to regulate import and export affairs.

1.2 Vision, Mission and Functions of the institution

Vision

"Sustainably Developed Sri Lanka"

Mission

Establishing, maintaining, and monitoring a national trade policy in line with local as well as international standards, which ensures the equality and rights of manufacturers, traders, suppliers of measurement services or other services, whilst ensuring leadership in the trade sector, performing service and monitoring activities, obtaining new market opportunities entering in to bilateral, multilateral, and regional trade agreements in order to enhance trade connections of Sri Lanka, contributing to ensure a higher life standard enhancing the quality of consumer items and services of Sri Lankans.

Objectives

i. Applying custom tariff policy as a tool for controlling the market behavior so as to secure the rights of local producers and consumers through a national trade policy and encouraging exports by way of granting tax concessions to local producers .

ii. Maintaining the cost of living at the minimum possible level maintaining the prices of essential items at such occasions where the prices of goods at the markets are escalating

iii. Providing necessary guidance to implement relief programmes for the benefit of consumers through the government institutions such as Lanka Sathosa, Co-operative Development Department, Co-operative Societies and Associations etc. at national level in an open market environment

iv. Ensuring the application of measurement standards for the benefit of trading community as well as consumers.

v. Enhancing legal framework with infrastructure facilities to maintain buffer stocks of essential items within the country to assure food security.

vi. Providing necessary directions to Consumer Affairs Authority to protect consumer.

vii. Preparing mechanism to maintain a data base relevant to the institutions under the Ministry, update such data bases, and make links with external information providers.

viii. Providing guidance to implement the measures relevant to protect the proper standards of local products and export items.

ix. Making contribution to maintain welfare processes to encourage students for higher education.

x. Making directions to implement conservation process for the protection of national intellectual properties.

xi. Guiding for accreditation services conforming to the national and international standards

xii. Establishment of the institutional background and encouragement of connected institutions in order to protect and promote the economic and commercial interests of Sri Lanka and encourage the exporters for opportunities in international market.

xiii. Providing necessary facilities and coordination in signing multilateral and bilateral trade agreements with various countries in the export activities of Sri Lanka

xiv. Providing necessary directions for legal coordination in relation to Generalized System of Preferences (GSP), Free Trade Agreements (FTA) and Regional Trade Agreements (RTA) non Preferential Trade Agreements of Sri Lanka.

1.3 **Functions**

i. Formulation of policies in relation to the subject of trade in line with national policies to be implemented by the government.

ii. Formulation, implementation of subjects , functions and related policies of the Departments, State Corporations and Statutory Institutions under the Ministry and carrying out follow up actions and evaluation in this regard.

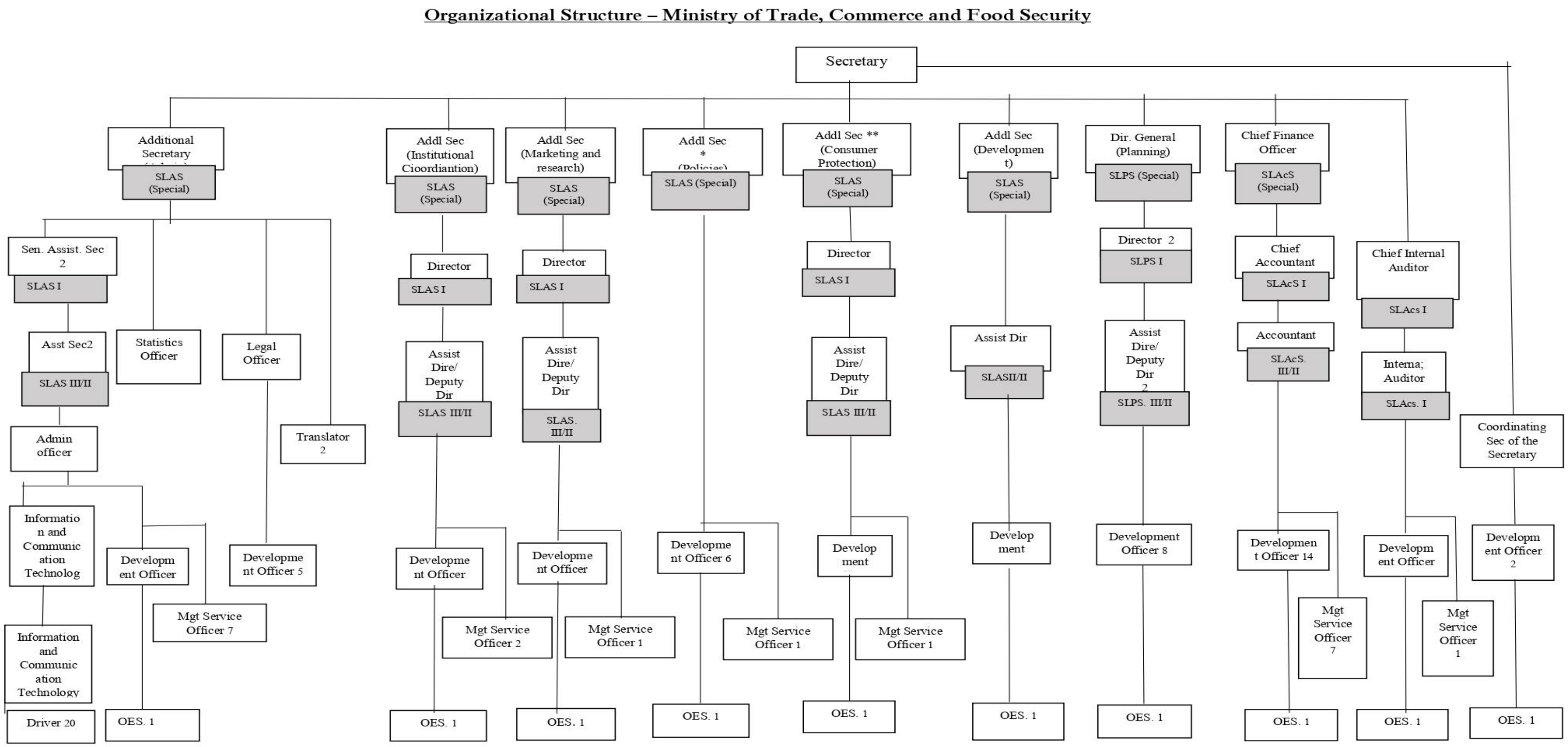
iii. Formulation of National Trade Policy and taking action to coordinate the institutes relevant to the implementation of such policy.

iv. Provision of legal measures required for the implementation of price control methods for the protection of local consumers.

v. Performing the role of mediator in order to control the escalation of prices in the local market .

Vi. Encouraging institutions for exploring opportunities to make new bilateral, multilateral and regional agreements and also to find new opportunities for exports in the global market and providing necessary facilities

1.4 Organizational Structure



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**A request has been made to the Department of management Services to supress this post

1.5 Departments under the Ministry

Four Departments are functioning under the Ministry in order to ensure proper performance of tasks entrusted to the Ministry..

i. Department of the Commissioner of Food
ii. Department of Measurement Units Standards and Services
iii. Department of Commerce
iv. Department of Co-Operative Development

1.6 Institutions and funds under the Ministry

The statutory institutions and funds operated under the Ministry in order to perform properly the tasks entrusted to the Ministry are as follows..

i. Lanka Sathosa Limited
ii. The Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment
iii. Lalith Athulathmudali Mahapola Scholarships Trust Fund
iv. Consumer Affairs Authority
v. Co-Operative Employees' Commission
vi. National Co-Operative Development Institute
vii. National Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka
viii. SATHOSA (Action is now in process to liquidate this institution)

1.7 Particulars of the projects, for which foreign grants are provided

1.7.1. Projects implemented under foreign aids

a) **Name of the project:** Digitalizing the functions of National Intellectual Property Office

b) **Donor Agency :** World Intellectual Property Organization and Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka

c) **Estimated expenditure of the project :** Rs. 90 m

d) **Project term:** Yare 2022-2024

Chapter 02 – Progress and future vision

2.1 Progress

1. Ensuring availability and affordability of essential food items

- Taking action o import 3,864 mt of wheat flour up to 31.01.2023 under open account system.

- with a view to avoid the dearth of eggs in the local market, 169.6 million of eggs have been imported under Sri Lanka State Trading Corporation during the period from April up to December they have been sold at the lower unit price of Rs. 35 trough the sales outlet network of Lanka SATOSA. Further this proramme has been extended up to 30 April 2024 and nearly 60 million eggs are to be imported during that period.

- Since a drastic escalation of the price of sugar has been observed in the local market, action has been taken to sell nearly 6,500 mt of sugar under controlled price (Rs. 275.00 per kg) through Lanka Sathosa, Cooperative shops and super markets after conducting discussions with importers.

- With a view to solve the issues arisen due to dearth of local B onion and the higher prices, action has been taken to import 90,000mt of B onion from the Government of India.

- Action has been taken to import B onion under flexible payment terms in order to control the dearth and higher prices in the local market by way of importing them from Pakistan.

- With a view to control the price escalation and dearth of Keeri Samba in local market, action has been taken to import 50,000 mt of rice in GR11 category which is a substitute for Keeri Samba rice.

2. **Making recommendations to the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies for the revision of taxes of essential food items**

¶ Having taken into consideration the decrease in the prices of milk powder in global market, action has been taken to re impose custom import tariff of Rs. 125 per kilogram and port and airport development tax of 10% , which have so far been suspended in the importation of milk powder.

¶ Having taken into consideration the harvest of potatoes in Yala season of 2023, action has been taken to extend the special trade tariff, which had been determined as Rs. 50.00 per kilogram for the next 03 months from October 2023.

¶ Having taken into consideration the escalation of vegetable prices from December 2023 and the fact that the local harvest of potatoes in Yala season of 2023 has been fully utilized, action has been taken to reduce the special trade tariff, which had been Rs. 50.00 per kilogram, up to Rs. 10.00.

3. **Taking action to submit reports on corn and tiles to the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization, and National Policies in connection to import policies.**

4. **Information on market, imports and exports**

¶ Taking action to maintain trade profiles for 12 main essential food items such as rice, wheat flour, sugar, dhal, B onion, potatoes, canned fish, milk powder, sprats, eggs, chicken, and coconut oil.

¶ Taking action to maintain import/ export profiles, which contain information of imports and exports at main import and export.

¶ Quotas have been issued to import 6000 mt of Basmathi rice through private sector under Sri Lanka –Pakistan Free Trade Agreement. 200 mt out of the above have been imported by 31.12.2023.

5. Representing the Ministry for discussions conducted on trade agreements

¶ Representing the team for discussion in connection to Trade in Goods under Sri Lanka- Thailand free trade agreement.

¶ Representing the team for discussion in connection to Trade in Goods under Sri Lanka- India Economic and Technological Collaboration Agreement (ETCA)

6. Conducting discussions on trends in market prices and supplies with importers of food items and their associations.

Association	Essential Food Item	Date
Rice Importers	Rice	27.12.2023.
Milk Powder Importers Association	Milk Powder	05.12.2023. 11.07. 2023.
Sugar Importers association	Sugar	05.12.2023. 24.11.2023. 20.11.2023. 15.11.2023 08.11.2023. 23.06. 2023. 12.05.2023.
Canned Fish Importers Association	Canned fish	05.12.2023. 24.08.2023.
Sprats importers	Sprats	06.10. 2023.
Wheat Flour Importers	Wheat flour	05.12.2023. 20.07. 2023

7. Project for the construction of Cooperatives.

The project for construction of Cooperative Trade Center consists of 34 floors in the name of 'Cooperative Square' at the land 32/1, Colombo 03, and belonging to the Department of Cooperative Development, which has been launched by the Ministry of Cooperative Services, Marketing Development and Customers Protection existed at that time, with a view to strengthening the whole network of Cooperatives, has been suspended temporarily due to the economic crisis and it was brought forward in year 2023 as a new proposal. Therefore a cabinet memorandum has been submitted for the purpose.

8. **Tharapuram Cooperative Villages project in Mannar district**

It has been proposed to restart the construction of Tharapuram Auditorium Building under the project by the grants from Quarter Government and the coordination of future activities are now in progress.

9. **Temperature Controlled Cold Storage Facility Project at Dambulla**

A Cabinet Memorandum has been submitted for the Temperature Controlled Cold Storage Complex at Dambulla, of which construction has been suspended, and the construction works of the projects are to be concluded in the first 06 months of year 2024. Construction works have now been commenced.

10. **Distribution of chicks under the programme for strengthening women entrepreneurs**

This project has been commenced in year 2023 in Gampaha district as a pilot project and accordingly 12,273 one day chicks have been distributed among 28 women entrepreneurs and 17000 local chicks have been distributed among other 680 women entrepreneurs. this project has been planned to implement all over the Island in year 2024.

11. **Formulation of National Trade Policy**

In the background, where a higher priority has been given for trade and investment sectors in the economic policy framework prepared based on regular and systemic implementation of internal and international trade affairs, the task for the formulation of a national trade policy has been restarted in March 2023 in order to provide directions for the decision making process connected to the trade with a more clear vision.

Accordingly, the progress of year 2023 in the formulation of national trade policy is as follows.

- First draft of the national trade policy, which is prepared aiming at year 2048 based on the national trade policy approved by the Cabinet in 2017, has been prepared.

- ¶ On the instructions of Hon. Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security, a new committee has been appointed for reviewing the national trade policy formulated aiming at year 2048.
- ¶ Based on the views of the Committee for reviewing progress, which were given on 11.08.2023, second draft of the national trade policy has also been formulated.

- ¶ The draft of the national trade policy has been submitted for the review of the Export Promotion Division of the Presidential Secretariat.

12. The recommendations indicated in the special audit reports submitted by National Audit Office for the institutions under the Ministry of Trade Commerce and Food Security have been considered and accordingly supervision is carried out on the implementation of such recommendations.

13. Supervision and coordination of Consumer Affairs Authority is being carried out constantly by the Consumer Protection and Standardization Division of the Ministry accordingly inquiries have been conducted in response to 303 complaints made by consumers and further 343 and 73 awareness programmes have been conducted for the benefit of general public and traders respectively. Further 159 awareness programmes have been conducted for schools along with 502 mobile awareness programmes. In the meantime the Ministry participated in E commerce summit and during year 2023, the Consumer Affairs Authority has conducted 126 sudden raids along with 24816 routing raids. Further 08 market surveys have been conducted and 02 actions have been taken based on the results of the survey. During this year, meetings of Consumer Services Committee have been conducted in 324 Divisional Secretariats and accordingly necessary interventions have been made for trade and service activities.

14. The Mahapola Education and Trade Exhibition has been commenced in the beginning of 80s on a concept of Late Mr. Lalith Athulathmudali in order to strengthen Mahapola Higher Education Scholorship Fund, and this exhibition has again been held successfully after 10 years interval in 2023 at the playground of Ja Ela Urban Council from 13 to 17 December 2023. Action is now being taken on the instructions and directions of Hon. Nalin Fernando, Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security to raise the Mahapola Higher Education Scholorship Fund conducting this education and trade exhibition continuously.

Ĕ2ĖSpecial achievements, challenges and future goals

Achievements

i. A programme has been introduced as a step taken to manage the cost of living through enhancing the nutrition level and income of low income people in order to ensure food security whilst strengthening domestic economy to emerge from economic crisis. Under this programme, action has been taken to distribute chicks, goats and piglets within Gampaha district in order to enhance the production of egg, meat and milk productions as a pilot project and it was aimed as a long term measure for enhancing nutrition level of children and pregnant mother.

ii. Various programmes have been organized and conducted to make the students aware of the matters such as importance of exports in the economic development of the country, free trade agreements and future plans, role of the Consumer Affairs Authority for the protection of consumer, basic process in exports of Export Development Board, introducing export market, entering in the export market, legal requirements and trade opportunities, role of the Accreditation Board for economic, social and environmental stability etc.

iii. Facilitating the consumer by way of introducing decentralized programme for conducting examinations at district level the on complaints received by the Consumer Affairs Authority, which are conducted at present centralized system.

iv. Introducing methodologies making the sellers of coconut oil compulsory to indicate on their packages the company, which issue the product to the market, in order to facilitate to check the quality of coconut oil issued to market with and without package. Further instructions have been given to Consumer Affairs Authority to provide arrangements to carry out follow up actions regarding the issuance of these products and to take necessary measures accordingly.

v. In terms of the decision taken at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers in response to the Cabinet Memorandum on 'Restructuring the SATHOSA' dated 10.07.2023 submitted by the Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security, all the employees of the institute have been sent on retirement on 30.09.2023.

vi. A policy approval has been granted by the Cabinet of Ministers at the meeting held on 23.10.2023 to the Cabinet Memorandum bearing number CP/23/1626/627/020 on 'Restructuring institutes connected to national cooperative movement' dated 24.08.2023 and submitted by the Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security. Accordingly measures have been taken to bring the head offices of the primary cooperative societies, which are maintained under the line Department of Cooperative Development, under the supervision of provincial Department of Cooperative Development as per the provisions of the 13th Amendment Act of the Constitution, release the officers to the provincial Department of Cooperative Development on their option retaining a limited number of officers in the departmental posts of the line Department of Cooperative Development, abolish the line Co-operative Employees' Commission established under the provisions of Co-operative Employees' Commission (Amendment) Act No 51 of 1992, and to give effect to the powers of the institute , which have been indicated in section3 of National Institute of Co-operative Development (Incorporation) Act No 01 of 2001 and further to maintain the functions of the institute by establishing it at the main building of the National Co-operative Council of Sri Lanka at Galle Road , Colombo 03 in order to make it more efficient.

vii. **Distribution of the food assistances received from foreign countries**

The Department of the Commissioner of Foods has taken action to receive at the fort on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka the food assistances provided by foreign countries for distributing among families affected by the hardships due to COVID pandemic prevailed during the period from 2020 to 2022, after getting such stocks cleared by the fort. Accordingly on behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka, action has been taken to follow the clearance process and to distribute properly the food stocks including rice, dhal, and sugar received from Thailand and Thai van.

viii. **Concluding the initial arrangements to enter the Madrid Agreement**

Amendments are being made to the Intellectual Property Act in order to enter the Madrid Agreement controlled by the World Intellectual Property Organization , which provides facilities for registering local trade marks at international level.

Accordingly, observations of the consultants of Intellectual Property Organization have been given for the draft and they are to be submitted along with the observations of Intellectual Property Office for obtaining approval of the Legal Draftsman and then to submit the amendments for Intellectual Property Act for the approval of parliament establishing convenient way for registering trade marks at international level.

ix. It has become possible during this year to formulate regulations to implement laws under the amendments made to Intellectual Property Act in year 2023, and submit them for the approval of the Legal Draftsman. Accordingly, the regulations for registering geographical indicators are to be submitted for the approval of the Parliament during the first quarter of the year.

x. 5000 mt and 5800 mt of rice have been distributed respectively by the Department of Co-operative Development under phase one and two of programme for rice distribution among school students under Chinese Assistances.

xi. Action has been taken by the Department of Commerce to conduct at district level the awareness programmes for manufacturers, entrepreneurs, inventors to direct their different productions and services , which are made now at district level, to export market.

Challenges

¶ Certain programmes/ projects could not be implemented in the proper manner as it has to follow the circulars issued restricting expenses due to the economic crisis prevailed.

Future Targets

i. Maintaining buffer stocks of food, which are required to manage urgent situations with accountability on food security under direct intervention of the Government to avoid shortage of essential food items with good quality in the market to suit to the needs of consumer by way of distribution of such stocks in an effective manner.

ii. Settling the issues in the supply of eggs directing small and middle scale entrepreneurs, who left the field of poultry industry, again to the industry. .

iii. It is expected to implement the works of the project for the construction of Co-operative Square at Mkana Makar Mawatha.

iv. Expanding the role of the National Measurement Laboratory by way of establishing new Measurement Standards.

v. Expanding the role of National Measurement Laboratory for 5 fields of measurements.

vi. Making arrangements to include the Measurement Science as a subject in University education.

vii. Establishment of an automotive network system-Estimated budget is Rs. 70 million. It is expected to link 25 district offices with the Head Office and also to ensure a credible and accurate measurement service to consumers with the formulation of trade data system.

viii. It is proposed to open 05 mega sales centers and 10 normal Lanka Sathosa sales outlets during year 2024 and further it is expected to increase the total network of sales outlets up to 465 giving opportunity to consumers to purchase consumer items at a concessionary price determined by the Government without any shortage.

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Food Security

Chapter 03. – Financial performance as a whole for the year ended 31 December 2023

3.1 Statement of Financial Performance

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Statement of Financial Performance

for the period ended 31st December 2023

Revised Budget Allocations 2023 Rs.		Note	Actual 2023 Rs.	Actual 2022 Rs.	
	Revenue Receipts			-	
-	Income Tax	1	-	-	ACA-1
-	Taxes on Domestic Goods & Services	2	-	-	ACA-1
-	Taxes on International Trade	3	-	-	ACA-1
-	Non Tax Revenue & Others	4		-	
-	**Total Revenue Receipts (A)**		-	-	
-	**Non Revenue Receipts**		**-**	-	
-	Treasury Imprests		4,058,732,338	5,857,618,948	**ACA-3**
-	Deposits		127,708,901	62,363,639	**ACA-4**
-	Advance Accounts		12,989,100	24,868,080	**ACA-5**
-	Other Main Ledger Receipts		-	-	
-	**Total Non Revenue Receipts (B)**		**4,199,430,338**	**5,944,850,666**	
	Total Revenue Receipts & Non Revenue Receipts C = (A)+(B)		**4,199,430,338**	**5,944,850,666**	
	Remittance to the Treasury (D)		18,204,771	87,000	
	Net Revenue Receipts & Non Revenue Receipts E = (C)-(D)		4,181,225,567	5,944,763,666	
	Less: Expenditure Recurrent Expenditure		**-**	-	
206,400,000	Wages, Salaries & Other Employment	5	133,519,142	133,614,037	

	Benefits				
184,100,000	Other Goods & Services	**6**	122,063,505	196,087,581	**ACA-2(ii)**
700,600,000	Subsidies, Grants and Transfers	**7**	650,066,731	3,288,534,934	
-	Interest Payments	**8**	-	-	
-	Other Recurrent Expenditure	**9**	-	-	
1,091,100,000	**Total Recurrent Expenditure (F)**		**905,649,379**	**3,618,236,552**	
	Capital Expenditure				
69,600,000	Rehabilitation & Improvement of Capital Assets	**10**	5,001,306	6,697,376	
2,000,000	Acquisition of Capital Assets	**11**	17,079	3,813,750	
48,000,000	Capital Transfers	**12**	-	47,349,052	**ACA-2(ii)**
3,803,200,000	Acquisition of Financial Assets	**13**	3,803,101,128	-	
600,000	Capacity Building	**14**	363,000	646,330	
45,000,000	Other Capital Expenditure	**15**	30,988,606	4,152,583,265	
3,968,400,000	**Total Capital Expenditure (G)**		**3,839,471,119**	**4,211,089,773**	
	Deposit Payments		125,298,048	39,891,620	**ACA-4**
	Advance Payments		11,799,640	23,390,465	**ACA-5**
	Other Main Ledger Payments		-	-	
	Total Main Ledger Expenditure (H)		**137,097,688**	**63,282,085**	
	Total Expenditure I = (F+G+H)		4,882,218,186	7,892,608,410	
5,059,500,000	**Balance as at 31st December J = (E-I)**		(700,992,619)	(1,947,844,744)	
	Balance as per the Imprest Adjustment Statement		(701,253,179)	1,947,844,744	**ACA-7**
	Imprest Balance as at 31st December		260,560		**ACA-3**
			(700,992,619)	-	

3.2 Statement of Financial Position

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Statement of Financial Position
As at 31st December 2023

	Note	Actual 2023 Rs	2022 Rs
Non Financial Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	ACA-6	233,716,207	197,047,128
Financial Assets			
Advance Accounts	ACA-5/5(a)	15,004,262	16,193,721
Cash & Cash Equivalents	ACA-3	260,560	-
Total Assets		**248,981,028**	**213,240,849**
Net Assets / Equity			
Net Worth to Treasury		(19,865,682)	(16,265,370)
Property, Plant & Equipment Reserve		233,716,207	197,047,128
Rent and Work Advance Reserve	ACA-5(b)		
Current Liabilities			
Deposits Accounts	ACA-4	34,869,943	32,459,091
Unsettled Imprest Balance	ACA-3	260,560	-
Total Liabilities		**248,981,028**	**213,240,849**

Detail Accounting Statements in ACA format Nos. 1 to 7 presented in pages from 7 to 30 and Annexures to accounts presented in pages from 31 to 39 form an integral part of these Financial Statements. The Financial Statements have been prepared in complying with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles whereas most appropriate Accounting Policies are used as disclosed in the Notes to the Financial Statements and hereby certify that figures in these Finacial Statements, Notes to accounts and other relevant accounts were reconciled with the Treasury Books of Accounts and found in agreement.

We hereby certify that an effective internal control system for the financial control exists in the Reporting Entity and carried out periodic reviews to monitor the effectiveness of internal control system for the financial control and accordingly make alterations as required for such systems to be effectively carried out.

Chief Accounting Officer
Name :
Designation :
Date : 2024-02-28
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Accounting Officer
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Chief Financial Officer/ Chief Accountant/ Director (Finance)/ Commissioner (Finance)
Name :
Date : 27/02
Aravindi De Silva
Chief Financial Officer
Ministry of Trade
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Colombo 03.

3.3 Statement of Cash Flow

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Statement of Cash Flows
for the Period ended 31st December 2023

	Actual	
	2023 Rs.	**2022 Rs.**
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Total Tax Receipts	-	-
Fees, Fines, Penalties and Licenses	-	-
Profit	-	-
Non Revenue Receipts	-	-
Revenue Collected on behalf of Other Revenue Heads	66,543,637	29,016,058
Imprest Received	4,058,732,338	5,857,618,948
Recoveries from Advance	7,054,256	37,779,060
Deposit Received	127,708,901	42,149,886
Total Cash generated from Operations (A)	**4,260,039,132**	**5,966,563,952**
Less - Cash disbursed for:		
Personal Emoluments & Operating Payments	253,628,191	291,199,065
Subsidies & Transfer Payments	42,279,731	1,364,201,178
Expenditure incurred on behalf of Other Heads	-	75,771,161
Imprest Settlement to Treasury	18,204,771	87,000
Advance Payments	11,885,318	40,526,846
Deposit Payments	125,298,048	23,261,344
Total Cash disbursed for Operations (B)	**451,296,060**	**1,795,046,594**
NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES(C)=(A)-(B)	**3,808,743,072**	**4,171,517,358**
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest	-	-
Dividends	-	-
Divestiture Proceeds & Sale of Physical Assets	-	-
Recoveries from On Lending	-	-
Total Cash generated from Investing Activities (D)	**-**	**-**
Less - Cash disbursed for:		
Purchase or Construction of Physical Assets & Acquisition of Other Investment	5,381,385	40,399,458
Total Cash disbursed for Investing Activities (E)	**5,381,385**	**40,399,458**
NET CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES(F)=(D)-(E)	**(5,381,385)**	**(40,399,458)**
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING & INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES (G)=(C) + (F)	**3,803,361,688**	**4,131,117,900**
Cash Flows from Fianacing Activities		
Local Borrowings	-	-
Foreign Borrowings	-	-
Grants Received	-	-
Total Cash generated from Financing Activities (H)	**-**	**-**
Less - Cash disbursed for:		
Repayment of Local Borrowings	3,803,101,128	4,131,117,900
Repayment of Foreign Borrowings	-	-
Total Cash disbursed for Financing Activities (I)	**3,803,101,128**	**4,131,117,900**
NET CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES (J)=(H)-(I)	**(3,803,101,128)**	**(4,131,117,900)**
Net Movement in Cash (K) = (G) + (J)	**260,560**	**-**
Opening Cash Balance as at 01st January	**-**	**-**
Closing Cash Balance as at 31st December	**260,560**	**-**

3.4 Notes to Financial Statements

Basis of Reporting

1) **Reporting Period**

The reporting period for these Financial Statements is from 01st January to 31st December 2023.

2) **Basis of Measurement**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on historical cost modified by the revaluation of certain assets and accounted on a modified cash basis, unless otherwise specified.

The figures of the Financial Statements are presented in Sri Lankan rupees rounded to the nearest rupee.

3) **Recognition of Revenue**

Exchange and non exchange revenues are recognised on the cash receipts during the accounting period irrespective of relevant revenue period.

4) **Recognition and Measurement of Property, Plant and Equipment (PP&E)**

An item of Property, Plant and Equipment is recognized when it is probable that future economic benefit associated with the assets will flow to the entity and the cost of the assets can be reliably measured.

PP&E are measured at a cost and revaluation model is applied when cost model is not applicable.

5) **Property, Plant and Equipment Reserve**

This reserve account is the corresponding account of Property Plant and Equipment.

6) **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash & cash equivalents include local currency notes and coins in hand as at 31st December 2023.

* In cases where there are transactions which are specific to a particular reporting entity, relevant information can be entered in and revisions can be made as needed in the formats and the disclosure required for those specific transactions may be included under "Reporting Basis"

* Only the accounting policies relevant to the reporting entity should be disclosed under the reporting basis.

3.5 Performance in the collection of income

Collection of income is not applicable.

3.6 Performance in the utilization of provisions allocated.

Type of provision	Provisions allocated		Actual expenditure Rs. M.)	Utilized provisions as a percentage of the final provisions
	Initial provision (Rs. M)	Final rovision (Rs. M.)		
Recurrent	1094.3	1091.1	905.65	83%
Capital	3965.2	3968.4	3839.4	96.75%

3.7 Provisions, which have been awarded to this Ministry as per F R 208, as a representative of another Ministry/Department

Nil

3.8 Performance in the reporting of non-financial assets

Rs. Mn

Asset code	Description of code	Balance as per the report of the board of survey as at 31.12.2023	Balance as per statement of financial position as at 31.12.2023	To be accounted in due	Reporting progress as %
9151	Buildings and structures	-	-	-	-
9152	Machinery-Fund				
9152	Machinery-Head	-	233,716.206.67	-	-
9153	Lands	-	-	-	-
9154	Intangible assets	-	-	-	-
9155	Biological assets	-	-	-	-
9160	Works in progress	-	-	-	-
9180	Assets issued on lease	-	-	-	-

3.9 Report of the Auditor General

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தேசிய கணக்காய்வு அலுவலகம்
NATIONAL AUDIT OFFICE

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වෙළඳ, වාණිජ හා ආහාර සුරක්ෂිතතා අමාත්‍යාංශය

ශීර්ෂය 116 - වෙළඳ. වාණිජ හා ආහාර සුරක්ෂිතතා අමාත්‍යාංශයේ 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දිනෙන් අවසන් වර්ෂය සඳහා වූ මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළිබඳව 2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 11(1) වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව විගණකාධිපති සම්පිණ්ඩන වාර්තාව

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1. මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන

1.1 තත්ත්වාගණනය කළ මතය

ශීර්ෂය 116 වෙළඳ, වාණිජ හා ආහාර සුරක්ෂිතතා අමාත්‍යාංශයේ 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දිනට මූල්‍ය තත්ත්වය පිළිබඳ ප්‍රකාශය, එදිනෙන් අවසන් වර්ෂය සඳහා වූ මූල්‍ය කාර්යසාධන ප්‍රකාශය හා මුදල් ප්‍රවාහ ප්‍රකාශනය සහ ප්‍රමාණාත්මක ගිණුම්කරණ ප්‍රතිපත්ති වලට අදාල තොරතුරුද ඇතුලත් මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවලට අදාල සටහන්වලින් සමන්විත 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දිනෙන් අවසන් වර්ෂය සඳහා වූ මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන 2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ විධිවිධාන සමඟ සංයෝජිතව කියවිය යුතු ශ්‍රී ලංකා ප්‍රජාතාන්ත්‍රික සමාජවාදී ජනරජයේ ආණ්ඩුක්‍රම ව්‍යවස්ථාවේ 154(1) ව්‍යවස්ථාවේ ඇතුළත් විධිවිධාන ප්‍රකාර මාගේ විධානය යටතේ විගණනය කරන ලදී. 2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 11(1) වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව වෙළඳ, වාණිජ හා ආහාර සුරක්ෂිතතා අමාත්‍යාංශය වෙත ඉදිරිපත් කරනු ලබන මෙම මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළිබදව මාගේ අදහස් දැක්වීම් හා නිරීක්ෂණයන් මෙම වාර්තාවේ සඳහන් වේ. ශ්‍රී ලංකා ප්‍රජාතාන්ත්‍රික සමාජවාදී ජනරජයේ ආණ්ඩුක්‍රම ව්‍යවස්ථාවේ 154(6) ව්‍යවස්ථාව සමඟ සංයෝජිතව කියවිය යුතු 2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 10 වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව ඉදිරිපත් කළ යුතු විගණකාධිපති වාර්තාව යථා කාලයේදී පාර්ලිමේන්තුව වෙත ඉදිරිපත් කරනු ලැබේ.

මෙම වාර්තාවේ 1.6 ඡේදයේ දක්වා ඇති කරුණුවලින් වන බලපෑම හැර, මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවලින් 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දිනට වෙළඳ, වාණිජ හා ආහාර සුරක්ෂිතතා අමාත්‍යාංශයේ මූල්‍ය තත්ත්වය සහ එදිනෙන් අවසන් වර්ෂය සඳහා එහි මූල්‍ය කාර්යසාධනය හා මුදල් ප්‍රවාහය

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පොදුවේ පිළිගත් ගිණුම්කරණ මූලධර්මවලට අනුකූලව සත්‍ය හා සාධාරණ තත්ත්වයක් පිළිබිඹු කරන බව මා දරන්නා වූ මතය වේ.

1.2 තත්ත්වාගණනය කළ මතය සඳහා පදනම

මෙම වාර්තාවේ 1.6 ඡේදයේ දක්වා ඇති කරුණු මත පදනම්ව මාගේ මතය තත්ත්වාගණනය කරනු ලැබේ. ශ්‍රී ලංකා විගණන ප්‍රමිතිවලට (ශ්‍රී.ලං.වි.ප්‍ර) අනුකූලව මා විගණනය සිදු කරන ලදී. මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන සම්බන්ධයෙන් මාගේ වගකීම, විගණකගේ වගකීම යන වගන්තියේ තවදුරටත් විස්තර කර ඇත. මාගේ මතය සඳහා පදනමක් සැපයීම උදෙසා මා විසින් ලබා ගෙන ඇති විගණන සාක්ෂි ප්‍රමාණවත් සහ උචිත බව මාගේ විශ්වාසයයි.

1.3 මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන සම්බන්ධයෙන් ප්‍රධාන ගණන්දීමේ නිලධාරීගේ වගකීම

පොදුවේ පිළිගත් ගිණුම්කරණ මූලධර්මවලට අනුකූලව හා 2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 38 වගන්තියේ සඳහන් විධිවිධානවලට අනුකූලව සත්‍ය හා සාධාරණ තත්ත්වයක් පිළිඹිබු කෙරෙන පරිදි මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළියෙල කිරිම හා වංචා සහ වැරදි හේතුවෙන් ඇති විය හැකි ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනයන්ගෙන් තොරව මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළියෙල කිරිමට හැකි වනු පිණිස අවශ්‍ය වන අභ්‍යන්තර පාලනය තිරණය කිරිම ප්‍රධාන ගණන්දිමෙ නිලධාරීගේ වගකීම වේ.

2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 16(1) වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් වාර්ෂික හා කාලීන මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළියෙල කිරීමට හැකිවන පරිදි ස්වකීය ආදායම්, වියදම්, වත්කම් හා බැරකම් පිළිබඳ නිසි පරිදි පොත්පත් හා වාර්තා පවත්වා ගෙන යා යුතුය.

ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 38(1)(ඇ) උප වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව අමාත්‍යාංශයේ මූල්‍ය පාලනය සඳහා සඵලදායි අභ්‍යන්තර පාලන පද්ධතියක් සකස් කර පවත්වා ගෙන යනු ලබන බවට ප්‍රධාන ගණන්දීමේ නිලධාරී සහතික විය යුතු අතර එම පද්ධතියේ සඵලදායිත්වය පිළිබඳව කලින් කල සමාලෝචනයක් සිදු කර ඒ අනුව පද්ධතිය ඵලදායි ලෙස කරගෙන යාමට අවශ්‍ය වෙනස්කම් සිදු කරනු ලැබිය යුතුය.

1.4 මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන විගණනය පිළිබඳ විගණකගේ වගකීම

සමස්ථයක් ලෙස මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන, වංචා හා වැරදි හේතුවෙන් ඇතිවන ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය ප්‍රකාශයන්ගෙන් තොර බවට සාධාරණ තහවුරුවක් ලබාදිම සහ මාගේ මතය ඇතුළත් විගණන වාර්තාව නිකුත් කිරිම මාගේ අරමුණ වේ. සාධාරණ සහතිකවීම උසස් මට්ටමේ සහතිකවීමක් වන නමුත්, ශ්‍රී ලංකා විගණන ප්‍රමිති ප්‍රකාරව විගණනය සිදු කිරීමේදී එය සැම විටම ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය ප්‍රකාශයන් අනාවරණය කර ගන්නා බවට වන තහවුරු කිරීමක් නොවනු ඇත. වංචා සහ වැරදි තනි හෝ සාමූහික ලෙස බලපෑම නිසා ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය

ප්‍රකාශනයන් ඇති විය හැකි අතර, එහි ප්‍රමාණාත්මක භාවය මෙම මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පදනම් කර ගනිමින් පරිශීලකයන් විසින් ගනු ලබන ආර්ථික තීරණ කෙරෙහි වන බලපෑම මත රඳා පවතී.

ශ්‍රී ලංකා විගණන ප්‍රමිති ප්‍රකාරව විගණනයේ කොටසක් ලෙස මා විසින් විගණනයේදී වෘත්තීය විනිශ්චය සහ වෘත්තීය සැකමුසුබවින් යුතුව ක්‍රියා කරන ලදී. මා විසින් තවදුරටත්,

- ප්‍රකාශ කරන ලද විගණන මතයට පදනමක් සපයා ගැනීමේදී වංචා හෝ වැරදි හේතුවෙන් මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවල ඇති විය හැකි ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය ප්‍රකාශයන් ඇතිවීමේ අවදානම් හඳුනාගැනීම හා තක්සේරු කිරීම සඳහා අවස්ථාවෝචිතව උචිත විගණන පරිපාටි සැලැසුම් කර ක්‍රියාත්මක කරන ලදී. වරදවා දැක්වීම් හේතුවෙන් සිදුවන ප්‍රමාණාත්මක සාවද්‍ය ප්‍රකාශයන්ගෙන් සිදුවන බලපෑමට වඩා වංචාවකින් සිදුවන්නා වූ බලපෑම ප්‍රබල වන්නේ ඒවා දුස්සන්ධානයෙන්, ව්‍යාජ ලේඛන සැකසීමෙන්, චේතනාන්විත මඟහැරීමෙන්, වරදවා දැක්වීමෙන් හෝ අභ්‍යන්තර පාලනයන් මඟ හැරීමෙන් වැනි හේතු නිසා වන බැවිනි.
- අභ්‍යන්තර පාලනයේ සඵලදායීත්වය පිළිබඳව මතයක් ප්‍රකාශ කිරීමේ අදහසින් නොවුවද, අවස්ථාවෝචිතව උචිත විගණන පරිපාටි සැලසුම් කිරීම පිණිස අභ්‍යන්තර පාලනය පිළිබඳව අවබෝධයක් ලබා ගන්නා ලදී.
- හෙළිදරව් කිරීම් ඇතුළත් මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවල ව්‍යුහය සහ අන්තර්ගතය සඳහා පාදක වූ ගනුදෙනු හා සිද්ධීන් උචිත හා සාධාරණ අයුරින් මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවල ඇතුළත් බව ඇගැයීම.
- මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවල ව්‍යුහය හා අන්තර්ගතය සඳහා පාදක වූ ගනුදෙනු හා සිද්ධීන් උචිත හා සාධාරණව ඇතුළත් වී ඇති බව සහ හෙළිදරව් කිරීම් ඇතුළත් මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශනවල සමස්ථ ඉදිරිපත් කිරීම අගයන ලදී.

මාගේ විගණනය තුළදී හඳුනාගත් වැදගත් විගණන සොයාගැනීම්, ප්‍රධාන අභ්‍යන්තර පාලන දුර්වලතා හා අනෙකුත් කරුණු පිළිබඳව ප්‍රධාන ගණන්දීමේ නිලධාරී දැනුවත් කරමි.

1.5 වෙනත් නෛතික අවශ්‍යතා පිළිබඳ වාර්තාව

2018 අංක 19 දරන ජාතික විගණන පනතේ 6(1)(ඈ) වගන්තිය ප්‍රකාරව පහත සඳහන් කරුණු මා ප්‍රකාශ කරමි.

(අ) මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන ඉකුත් වර්ෂය සමඟ අනුරූප වේ.

(ආ) ඉකුත් වර්ෂයට අදාළ මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළිබඳව මා විසින් කර තිබුණු නිර්දේශ ක්‍රියාත්මක කර තිබුණි.

1.6 මූල්‍ය ප්‍රකාශන පිළිබඳ අදහස් දැක්වීම

1.6.1 මූල්‍ය නොවන වත්කම්

(අ) අමාත්‍යාංශයට පවරා තිබූ රු. 10,000,000 ක් වටිනා මෝටර් රථයක් මූල්‍ය නොවන වත්කම් යටතේ ගිණුම්ගත කර නොතිබුණි.

(ආ) රු. 1,193,790 ක් වටිනා කාර්යාල උපකරණ රාජ්‍ය ආයතන දෙකක් වෙත නිකුත් කර තිබුණද, එම උපකරණ මූල්‍ය නොවන වත්කම් ප්‍රකාශයෙන් ඉවත් නොවීම නිසා එම ප්‍රමාණයෙන් වත්කම් වැඩියෙන් දක්වා තිබුණි.

2. මූල්‍ය සමාලෝචනය

2.1 නීති, රීති හා රෙගුලාසිවලට අනුකූල නොවීම

පහත අනුකූල නොවීම් නිරීක්ෂණය විය.

	නීති, රීති, රෙගුලාසි ආදියට යොමුව	අනුකූල නොවීම
(අ)	2016 දෙසැම්බර් 29 දිනැති අංක 30/2016 රාජ්‍ය පරිපාලන චක්‍රලේඛයේ 3.1 ඡේදය	වාහන සඳහා ඉන්ධන දහන පරීක්ෂාවන් සිදු කලයුතු වුවද අමාත්‍යාංශයේ සංචිත වාහන 3 ක් සඳහා ඉන්ධන දහන පරීක්ෂාව සිදු කර නොතිබුණි.
(ආ)	2018 ජනවාරි 24 දිනැති අංක 02/2018 රාජ්‍ය පරිපාලන චක්‍රලේඛය	2023 වර්ෂය සඳහා මානව සම්පත් සංවර්ධන සැලැස්මක් පිළියෙල කර නොතිබුණු අතර සමස්ථ කාර්යමණ්ඩලය සඳහා වාර්ෂික කාර්යසාධන ගිවිසුම් අත්සන් කර නොතිබුණි.
(ඇ)	2020 අගෝස්තු 28 දිනැති රාජ්‍ය මුදල් චක්‍රලේඛ අංක 01/2020 හි II කොටසෙහි 8.1.3 ඡේදය	රාජ්‍ය අමාත්‍යාංශයේ වත්කම් අමාත්‍යාංශය වෙත මාරු කිරීමේදී අදාළ අමාත්‍යාංශ ද්විත්වය විසින් එම වත්කම් තක්සේරු කිරීමට ඒ සම්බන්ධයෙන් නිපුණත්වයෙන් යුත් පුද්ගලයින්ගෙන් සමන්විත කමිටුවක් පත් කළ යුතු අතර එම කමිටුව විසින් සිදු කරන තක්සේරු වටිනාකමට වත්කම් මාරු කිරීම සිදු කළ යුතු නමුත් අමාත්‍යාංශය ඒ අනුව කටයුතු කර නොතිබුණි.
(ඈ)	2022 අප්‍රේල් 04 දිනැති වත්කම් කළමනාකරණ චක්‍රලේඛ අංක 05/2022 හි 02 (II) වගන්තිය	ස්ථාන මාරුවීම් ලබන නිලධාරීන් විසින් අදාල ආයතනය සතු කිසිදු මූල්‍ය නොවන වත්කමක් රැගෙන යාම නොකල යුතු වුවද ඊට පටහැනි ලෙස ස්ථානමාරුවීම් ලැබූ ගිය

නිලධාරින් තුන්දෙනෙකු විසින් පරිගණක උපාංග 08 ක් ස්ථානමාරු ලැබූ ස්ථානවලට රැගෙන ගොස් තිබුණි.

3 මෙහෙයුම් සමාලෝචනය

3.1 කාර්යසාධනය

3.1.1 කාර්යභාරයන් ඉටු නොකිරීම

(අ) අමාත්‍යාංශයේ අරමුණු අතුරින් පහත දැක්වෙන ප්‍රධාන අරමුණු ඉටු කර ගැනීමට සමාලෝචිත වර්ෂයේදීත් අපොහොසත් වී තිබුණි.

(i) ජාතික වෙළඳ ප්‍රතිපත්තියක් සකස් කර නිම කිරීම

(ii) අමාත්‍යාංශය යටතේ ඇති ආයතනවලට අදාල දත්ත පද්ධතිය පවත්වාගෙන යෑම, එම දත්ත පද්ධති යාවත්කාලීන කිරීම හා දත්ත බාහිර තොරතුරු සපයන ආයතන සමග සම්බන්ධ කිරීමේ යාන්ත්‍රණයක් සැකසීම

(iii) ජාතික බුද්ධිමය දේපල ආරක්ෂා කිරීම සඳහා සංරක්ෂණ ක්‍රමවේදයක් ක්‍රියාත්මක කිරීම සඳහා මඟ පෙන්වීම.

(ආ) දේශීය වෙළඳපල තුල ඇතිවන මිල උච්චාවචනයන් පාලනය කිරීම සඳහා මැදිහත්කරුවකු ලෙස ක්‍රියා කිරීම අමාත්‍යාංශයේ කාර්යයක් වුවද 2022 හා 2023 වර්ෂවල වෙළඳපොලේ සීනි, බිත්තර, ගෑස්, පොහොර, කිරිපිටි, කීරි සම්බා වැනි භාණ්ඩවල විශාල හිඟ තත්ත්ව පැවතීම නිසා මිල ගණන් ඉහළ ගොස් තිබුණු අතර මෙම භාණ්ඩ තොග හිඟවීම් සම්බන්ධව පාරිභෝගික කටයුතු පිළිබඳ අධිකාරිය ප්‍රමාණාත්මක වැටලීම් සංඛ්‍යාවක් සිදුකර නොතිබුණු අතර අමාත්‍යාංශය මඟින්ද ඒ පිළිබඳ නිසි අධීක්ෂණයක් සිදුකර නොතිබුණි.

(ඇ) පාරිභෝගිකයා වඩාත් සුරක්ෂිත කිරීම සඳහා අමාත්‍යාංශය යටතේ ඇති ආයතන වල නීති අණපනත් යාවත්කාලීන හා සංශෝධන කඩිනම් කලයුතු නමුත් 2003 අංක 09 දරන පාරිභෝගික කටයුතු පිළිබඳ අධිකාරී පනත, 2003 අංක 36 දරන ජාතික බුද්ධිමය දේපල පනත හා 1995 අංක 35 දරන මිනුම් ඒකක ප්‍රමිත සේවා පනත සමාලෝචිත වර්ෂය අවසානය වන තෙක් සංශෝධන වී නොතිබුණි.

(ඈ) ඉන්දියානු ණය ක්‍රමය (ICL) යටතේ ආනයන සම්බන්ධීකරණ කටයුතු අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් සිදුකර තිබුණද ආනයනය කලයුතු භාණ්ඩ, විශ්ලේෂණ වාර්තා හෝ එක් එක් ආනයනකරුවන් විසින් රටතුලට ගෙන්වන ලද භාණ්ඩ ප්‍රමාණයන් වල තොරතුරු

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අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් පවත්වාගෙන නොතිබුණි.

3.2 වත්කම් කළමනාකරණය

පහත සඳහන් නිරීක්ෂණයන් කරනු ලැබේ.

(අ) 2021 සැප්තැම්බර් 28 දිනැති අමප/21/1543/313/053 අංක දරන අමාත්‍ය මණ්ඩල තීරණය මඟින් වෙනත් අමාත්‍යාංශ හා ආයතනවලට අයත් දැනට අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් පරිහරණය කරනු ලබන වාහන අමාත්‍යාංශය වෙත විධිමත්ව පවරා ගැනීම සඳහා අනුමැතිය ලැබී තිබුණද 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දින වන විට පවරාගෙන නොතිබූ වාහන සංඛ්‍යාව 20 ක් විය.

(ආ) අමාත්‍යාංශයේ වාහන 5 ක් වසරකට අධික කාලයක සිට ධාවන තත්ත්වයේ නොමැති වීම නිසා අමාත්‍යාංශයේ ගාල් කර තිබූ අතර තවත් වාහන 02 ක් වසරකට වැඩි කාලයක් සිට අලුත්වැඩියා කටයුතු සඳහා ගරාජය වෙත යොමු කර තිබුණද එම වාහන සම්බන්ධයෙන් 2020 ඔක්තෝබර් 02 දිනැති අංක 05/2020 දරන වත්කම් කළමනාකරණ චක්‍රලේඛයෙහි 02 (ආ) ප්‍රකාරව කටයුතු කර නොතිබුණි.

(ඇ) රාජ්‍ය අමාත්‍යාංශයෙන් ලැබූ මූල්‍ය නොවන වත්කම් කාණ්ඩ 59 ක කාර්යාල උපකරණ අයිතම 534 ක් සමාලෝචිත වර්ෂය අවසානය වන විටත් වෙළඳ අමාත්‍යාංශ පරිශ්‍රයේ හා ආහාර කොමසාරිස් දෙපාර්තමේන්තුවේ ගබඩාවේ නිෂ්කාර්යව පැවතුණි.

3.3 කළමනාරණ දූර්වලතා

පහත සඳහන් නිරීක්ෂණයන් කරනු ලැබේ.

(අ) අමාත්‍යාංශයේ බිම් මහලේ වර්ග අඩි 2,178 ප්‍රමාණයක ස්ථාපිත කර ඇති වෙළඳසැල 2022 ඔක්තෝබර් සිට 2023 අගෝස්තු දක්වා සමූපකාර තොග වෙළඳ සංස්ථාව විසින්ද, 2023 අගෝස්තු සිට විගණිත දින දක්වා උමන්දාව ග්‍රීන් හට් නැමති ආයතනය විසින්ද ව්‍යාපාර කටයුතු කරගෙන ගොස් තිබුණු අතර ඒ සඳහා අමාත්‍යාංශ වැය ශීර්ෂය මඟින් 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 31 දක්වා රු. 5,414,565 ක කුලී මුදල්, විදුලි බිල්, ජල බිල්පත් දරා තිබුණි. විධිමත් ගිවිසුමක් මත අදාල ආයතන වලින් එම මුදල් අයකර ගැනීමට අමාත්‍යාංශය කටයුතු කර නොතිබුණු අතර එම වෙළඳසැල ස්ථාපිත කිරීමේ මූලික වියදම ලෙස රු. 2,000,000 මුදලක් 2021 වර්ෂයේ අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් සමූපකාර තොග වෙළඳ සංස්ථාව වෙත ගෙවා තිබුණි.

(ආ) අමාත්‍යාංශය විසින් 2023 ජූනි 16 සිට 2023 දෙසැම්බර් 12 දක්වා වූ කාල පරාසය තුල වසර 02 ක කොන්ත්‍රාත් කාලයකට වෙළඳ ප්‍රදර්ශන සම්බන්ධීකරණ නිලධාරීන් 05

දෙනෙකු සහ කළමනාකරණ සහකාරවරු 03 දෙනෙක් සඳහා පත්වීම් ලබාදී තිබූ අතර ඔවුන්ගේ පත්වීම් වල නීත්‍යානුකූලභාවය, බඳවාගැනීමේ ක්‍රියාවලිය, ඔවුන්ගේ දීමනා තීරණය කිරීමේ පදනම, රාජකාරී පැවරුම් කිරීම, රාජකාරී සඳහා වාර්තා කරන ස්ථාන, ආසන්නතම අධීක්ෂණ නිලධාරියා හා රාජකාරී ඉටුකිරීම සම්බන්ධ පිළිගත හැකි ලිඛිත වාර්තාවන් විගණනයට ඉදිරිපත් නොවූ අතර රු. 1,911,667 ක මුදලක් වැටුප් හා දීමනා ලෙස ඉහත නිලධාරින්ට 2023 ජූලි සිට 2024 පෙබරවාරි දක්වා මහපොළ භාර අරමුදල මගින් ලබාගත් අත්තිකාරම් මුදලින් ගෙවා තිබුණි.

4 තිරසාර සංවර්ධනය

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Chapter 04- Performance indicators

4.1 Performance indicators of the institution (Based on the action plan)

Special indicators	Actual output as a % of the expected output		
	100%-90%	75%-89%	50%-74%
Protection of the consumer	✓		
Balance in the market	✓		
Promotion of foreign trade affairs	✓		
Protection of national intellectual property	✓		
Promoting opportunity for higher education	✓		

Chapter 5- Performance in the achievement of sustainable development goals

5.1 Performance in the achievement of sustainable development goals

Goal/objectives	Targets	Indicators in achievements	Progress so far in the achievement (%)		
			0 - 49	50-74	75-100
Goal (1) Supervising the programmes for minimizing poverty through sustainable economic growth and concessionary pricing method	Encouraging local manufacturers and entrepreneurs	Loans granted to small and medium level rice mill owners			✓
Goal (2) Supervising the maintenance of food buffer stocks in order to avoid shortage of food items	Avoiding food shortage in the market. Maintaining buffer stocks and reserves of foods	Construction and operational process of cold storage facility for vegetable and fruit. Buffer stocks maintained			✓ ✓
Goal (3) Maintaining the cost of living at the minimum level by way of controlling process of essential items including vegetable, fruits etc. at such occasions where process of commodities have been increased in the market.	Making the goods available in the market by way of importing essential items	Essential items imported under India Loan Facility of 1 billion USD. Recommendations given to import 10 essential items under open account system for making concessions to consumer to control the hardships caused due to price escalations and maintaining supplies to cater to the demand for essential items whilst ensuring food supply without any shortage.			✓ ✓

5.2 Achievement in sustainable development goals and challenges

Achievements

1. Maintaining the fine balance in market by way of importing essential items even amidst the economic crisis in the country .

2. It has become possible to control the instability of the prices of essential consumer items with the intervention of Consumer Affairs Authority..

3. Encouraging exporters to open the opportunities in international market.

Challenges

1. Unavailability of an adequate staff at Consumer Affairs Authority to deliver the relevant services of Authority.
2. Minimum level of Technological facilities available in the delivery of services of the Department of Measurement Units Standards and Services and Intellectual Property Office..
3. Unavailability of an adequate staff at Intellectual Property Office to deliver the services of the office..

Chapter 06- Human Resources Profile

6.1 Cadre Management

	Approved cadre	Actual staff	Vacancies / cadre in excess
Senior	28	25	3
Tertiary	5	2	3
Secondary	153	120	33
Primary	30	30	0
Temporary	4	4	0
Total	220	181	39

6.2 The effect caused by the dearth or excess in human reosource for the performance of the institution

33 posts at secondary level out of the staff of this Ministry are remaining vacant. Under such circumstances, there are instances where the staff has to face issues in the performance of duties due to such dearth of staff.

6.3 Human Resource Development

Name of the programme	Trained staff	Duration of the programme	Total investment (Rs)		Nature of the programme	Output/ Knowledge gained
			Local	Foreign		
Higher National Diploma in Public Procurement Contract Admin	01	One year	138,000		Local	Knowledge of Procurement
First Trade Facilitation Capacity Building Programme, 07-23 May 2023	01	02 weeks		-	Foreign	Knowledge of Trade Facilitation

SCP: Public Private Partnerships: Infrastructure Projects Development From 06-10 March 2023 (E-Learning)	01	Four days		-	Online	Knowledge of Infrastructure Projects Development
Seminar on Negotiation Capacity Building of Free Trade Agreement for Sri Lanka from 17 to 30 May 2023 – China – In person	03	02 weeks		-	Foreign	Knowledge of Free Trade Agreements for Sri Lanka
Seminar on Cross border E-commerce for Sri Lanka from 07 to 20 August 2023 – China – In person	05	02 weeks		-	Foreign	Knowledge of E-commerce
Name of the programme	**No of employees trained**	**Duration of the programme**	**Total investment (Rs)**		**Nature of the programme**	**Output/ knowledge gained**
			Local	**Foreign**		
Sixth Session of the Multi-year Expert Meeting on Enhancing the Enabling Economic Environment at All Levels in Support of Inclusive and Sustainable Development and the Promotion of Economic Integration and Cooperation Geneva, 30-31 October 2023	01	02 days		-	Foreign	Knowledge of promotion of Economic in line with inclusive and sustainable development
Seminar on Enhancing Foreign Trade Competitiveness for	02	10 days		-	Foreign	Knowledge of Foreign Trade Competitiveness

Developing Countries						
Seminar on International Management Capability of Enterprises for Developing Countries, 12 October 01 November 2023	01	17 days		-	Foreign	Knowledge of International Management Capability of Enterprises for Developing Countries
Seminar on Economic Diplomacy AIBO	02	02 weeks		-	Foreign	Knowledge of Economic Diplomacy

Chapter 07- Report of compliance

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
1	**Following financial statements / accounts have been submitted on due date.**			
1.1	Annual financial statements	Comply		
1.2	Advance account of Public Officers	Comply		
1.3	Business and production advance account(Commercial advance account)	Comply		
1.4	Stores advance account	Comply		
1.5	Special advance account	Comply		
1.6	**Other**			
2	**Maintenance of books and registers (F.R. 445)**			
2.1	Maintaining fixed assets register with necessary updating as per Public Accounts Circular No. 267/2918	Comply		
2.2	Maintaining wages register/wages cards with necessary updating	Comply		
2.3	Maintaining audit accounts register with necessary updating	Comply		
2.4	Maintaining internal audit register with necessary updating	Comply		
2.5	Preparation and submission of all monthly accounts summaries (CIGAS) to General Treasury on due date	Comply		
2.6	Maintaining cheques and cash registers with necessary updating	Comply		
2.7	Maintaining inventories with necessary updating	Comply		
2.8	Maintaining stock register with necessary updating	Comply		
2.9	Maintaining losses and damages register with necessary updating	Comply		
2.10	Maintaining liabilities register with necessary updating	Comply		

Serial No	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
2.11	Maintaining counter foils with necessary updating (GA – N20)	Comply		
03	Delegating of tasks for financial control (**F R . 135**)			
3.1	Delegation of financial powers within the institution	Comply		
3.2	Making the institute aware of the delegation of financial authority	Comply		
3.3	Delegation of authority so as to approve every transaction by two or more persons	Comply		
3.4	Implementing soft ware package for salaries subject to the Accountant as per Public Accounts Circular No. 171/2004 dated 11.05.2014	Comply		
4	Preparation of annual plans			
4.1	Preparation of annual action plan	Comply		
4.2	Preparation of annual procurement plan	Comply		
4.3	Preparation of annual internal audit plan	Comply		
4.4	Preparation and submission of annual estimate to the National Department of Budget on due date	Comply		
4.5	Submission of annual cash flow statement to the Department of Treasury Operations on due date	Comply		
5	Audit Quarries	Comply		
5.1	Answering on due dates to all audit queries made by Auditor General	Comply		
6	Internal Audit			
6.1	Preparation of internal audit plan discussing with Auditor General at the beginning of the year as per F R මු.රෙ . 134(2) DMA/1-2020	Comply		
6.2	Answering for all internal audit report within a period of one month.	Comply		

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
6.3	Submission of the copies of all reports of internal audits to the Department of Auditor General as per sub section 40 (4) of National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018.	Comply		
6.4	Submission of copies of all internal audit reports to the Auditor General as per Financial Regulation 134 (3)	Comply		
7	Meeting of the Audit and Management Committee			
7.1	Conducting at least 04 meetings of the Audit and Management Committee within the relevant year as per DMS circular No. 1/2020	Comply		
8	Management of assets			
8.1	Submission of particulars of purchasing of assets and their disposals to Comptroller Generals office as per chapter 07 of Asset Management Circular No. 01/2017.	Comply		
8.2	Implementing the provisions of the circular as per chapter 13 of the circular.	Comply		
8.3	Conducting board of survey as per Public Finance Circular No. 05/2106 and submitting them to the Auditor General on due date	Comply		
8.4	Taking action on the excess items, deficits and other recommendations pertaining to annual board of survey as per the period prescribed by Circular.	Comply		
8.5	Disposal of unserviceable items as per F R 772	Comply		
9	**Management of vehicles**			
9.1	Preparation of daily and monthly running charts for pool vehicles and submission of them to Auditor General on due date	Not comply	Preparation of daily running charts and monthly summaries has not been concluded .	Action is taken to prepare these summary reports and submit to the Auditor General.

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
9.2	Disposal of vehicles within a period of less than one month after becoming unserviceable	Comply		
9.3	Maintaining vehicle log books with necessary updating	Comply		
9.4	Taking action as per F.R, 103,104,109 and 110 on every vehicle accident	Comply		
9.5	Re examination of fuel consumption of vehicles as per provisions in Public Administration Circular No. 30/2016 dated 19.12.2016	Comply		
9.6	Transferring ownership of log books of vehicles at the end of the lease period	Comply		
10	Management of bank accounts			
10.1	Preparation, certification and submission of bank reconciliation statements for the audit on due date	Comply		
10.2	Settling inactive bank accounts which have been brought forward in the year under review or previous years	Comply		
10.3	Taking action as per financial regulations on the balances which were revealed in bank reconciliation statement and to be adjusted, and settling them within one month	Comply		
11	Utilization of provisions			
11.1	Making expenses so as not exceed the limits of provisions	Comply		

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
11.2	Entering in liabilities so as not to exceed the limit of remaining provisions at the end of year after their utilization as per F.R. 94 (1)	Comply		
12	**Advance Account of Public Officers**			
12.1	Adhering to the limits	Comply		
12.2	Making a time analysis on the loans in arrears	Comply		
12.3	Settling loans in arrears which are due for a period of more than one month	Comply		
13	**General Deposit Account**			
13.1	Taking action as per F R 571 on the deposits which have expired	Comply		
13.2	Maintaining the general deposit control account with necessary updating	Comply		
14	**Imprest Account**			
14.1	Remitting the balance of the cash book to the Department of Treasury Operations at the end of the year under review	Comply		
14.2	Settling ad hoc imprests issued as per F R 371 within one month from the completion of work	Comply		
14.3	Issuance of ad hoc imprests so as not to exceed the approved limit as per F R 371	Comply		
14.4	Reconciling the balance of the imprest account monthly with the books of General Treasury	Comply		
15	**Revenue Account**			
15.1	Making refunding in compliance with the relevant regulations	Comply		
12	Crediting the collected income directly to the revenue without crediting them to deposit account	Comply		

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
15.3	Submission of the reports on the income in arrears to Auditor General as per F R 176	Comply		
16	**Human Resources Management**			
16.1	Maintaining the staff within the approved cadre	Not comply	Director (SLPS)), Deputy Director (SLPS) - have not been approved	Informed the Department of Management Services for getting approval for the posts.
16.2	Issuing duty lists in writing to all the members of the staff	Comply		
16.3	Submitting to the Department of Management Services as per the Circular No DMS 04/2017	Comply		
17	**Providing information to General Public**			
17.1	Maintaining a register for issuance of information with necessary updating as per the Rights To Information Act and other regulations	Comply		
17.2	Information of the institute has been published in the website of the institution and further facilities have been made available to general public to submit commendations or allegations through alternative ways regarding the institutions	Comply		
17.3	Submission of reports twice a year as per section 08 and 10 of the Rights To Information Act.	Not comply	No report has so far been submitted once or twice a year.	Action will be taken to issue reports once a year from this year.
18	**Implementation of the citizen charter**			

Serial No.	Requirement to be applied	Level of compliance (Comply / Not comply.)	Brief clarification if not comply	Actions proposed to avoid such non compliances in future
18.1	Formulation and implementation of a citizen charter as per Public Administration Circular No. 05/2018 and 05/2018 (1)	Comply		
18.2	Preparation of a methodology as per para 2,3 of the said circular to formulate, implement and supervise the citizen charter	Comply		
19	**Preparation of human resources plan**			
19.1	Preparation of a human resources plan as per the specimen in annex 02 of Public Administration Circular No. 02/2018 dated 24.01.2018	Comply		
19.2	Assuring a training opportunity of not less than 12 hours to every member of the staff per year in the aforesaid human resources plan	Comply		
19.3	Taking action to sign annual performance agreements with every member of the staff based on the specimen indicated in annex 01of the above circular	Not comply	Even though a human resources plan has been prepared, performance agreements have not been signed..	Action has been taken to sign in future the performance agreements..
19.4	Preparation of human resources plan as per para 6.5 of the above circular and, appointing a senior officer entrusting responsibilities for the implementation of skill development and capacity development programmes,	Comply		
20	**Responding to audit queries**			
20.1	Rectifying the defects pointed out in the audit paras issued by the Auditor General for previous years.	Comply		

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