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Department of National Botanic Gardens
Peradeniya.

Trust Fund for welfare and Development of Botanic Gardens in Sri Lanka

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Approval had been given by the cabinet meeting held on 1996-02-07 to set up a Trust Fund for developing botanic gardens and welfare considering a paper themed setting up a Trust Fund for improving botanic gardens in Sri Lanka and providing welfare dated 1995-12-15 submitted by then the Minister in charge of Agriculture, Lands and Forest Resources.

25% percentage form the income by selling tickets for botanic gardens has reserved for welfare and development of botanic gardens, it is the major income of this fund. Apart from that the fund facilitates for appropriate activities to increase the income.

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1. Name of The Fund : Trust Fund for welfare and development of botanic gardens in Sri Lanka
2. Nature : Botanic Gardens development activities and providing financial assistance for recurrent activities
3. Relevant circular : I) Establishment of The Fund Ordinance Act No : 09 of 1917
II) Accounting and accounting records – Treasury Circular Number 836 16th of August 1977
4. Date of Commencement : 20th of December 1996
5. Office : Head office of The Department of National Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya
6. Bank : Account No:0007040848 - Bank of Ceylon, Peradeniya
7. Objectives of The Fund
 - a) Taking action for further improving the image on the botanic gardens in Sri Lanka and in other foreign countries.
 - b) Working out and implementing meaningful programmes in respect of conserving attempts on plant varieties and environmental education

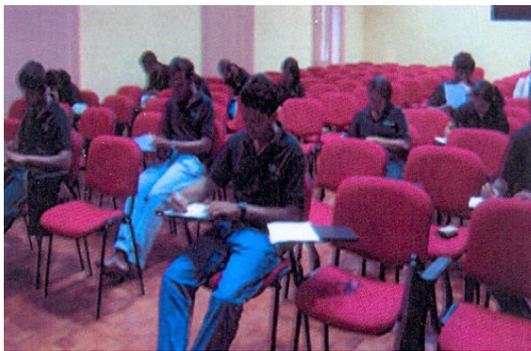
- c) Improving facilities and activities reading to broad base scientific know – how of scientists attached to the botanic gardens as well as extending financial assistance to purchase equipments needed.
- d) Formulating an extensive programme on flora collection.
- e) Improving activities in the technical fields on environmental education, conservation and improvements there to the use of botanic gardens.
- f) Undertaking any urgent construction what so ever for facilitating those who visit botanic gardens and scientists.
- g) Covering recurrent fund balance at any given specialized programme.

Financial States of The Year 2007

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| Elementary balance dated for 2007-01-01 | Rs. 39,159,242.61 (deposit) |
| Added: | |
| Deposit during the year | Rs. 26,005,536.25 |
| | Rs. 65,164,778.86 |
| Deducted : | |
| Withdrawals during the year | Rs. 11,428,643.32 |
| | Rs. 53,736,135.54 |
| Balance dated for 2007-12-31 | Rs. 53,736,135.54 |

Special Development Activities Carried out by Utilizing the Allocation of The Fund in 2007

- Being the allocation Under the recurrent expenditure were insufficient, Rs.2.5 million were obtained for The Trust Fund to pay the wages to the labourers during this year
- Rs 1.5 million were allocated to complete the remaining construction works of newly built auditorium for Education and Training center of Peradeniya Botanic Gardens and Rs. 2.0 million were obtained to purchase audio visual equipments and furniture to Education and Training Unit during this year



Furniture purchased to the Auditorium



Conducting a lecture with Audio Visual equipments

- A lake was constructed with the land development by The Department of Irrigation for Botanic Gardens, Gampaha. For this Rs. 1.1 million were obtained through The Fund during the year.



Initiating the construction of the lake Gampaha Botanic Gardens.



The lake constructed inside the garden with of the assistance of Department of Irrigation.

- Rs. 1.0 million were spent during this year to carry out building repairs in The Head office and development works at other botanic gardens.

| Re. No. | Activity | Expenditure Rs. |
|----------------|--|------------------------|
| 01 | Wages paid to contract basis labourers | 2,556,882.37 |
| 02 | Officers/ labourers Training Expenditure | 190,572.00 |
| 03 | For the remaining works of The construction of the auditorium at Peradeniya Botanic Gardens. | 1,520,796.00 |
| 04 | Purchasing furniture and audio visual equipments for auditorium | 2,082,954.00 |
| 05 | Development of Gampaha Botanic Gardens. | 1,126,736.00 |
| 06 | Purchasing flower plants and seeds | 62,550.00 |
| 07 | Development activities of car park of Hakgala Botanic Gardens. | 102,230.00 |
| 08 | Development activities of The Head office | 632,131.00 |

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The Chairman of The Botanic
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Dr.D.S.A.Wijesundara
The Secretary of The Botanic
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