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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 2008

Elementary balance dated for 2008-01-01	Rs. 53,736,135.54
Added:	
Income of the year (Deposit)	Rs. 23,582,666.00
Sub Total	Rs. 77,318,801.54
Deducted :	
Expenditure of The Year (Withdrawals)	Rs. 36,517,441.25
Balance dated for 2008-12-31 (Deposit)	<u>Rs. 40,801,360.29</u>

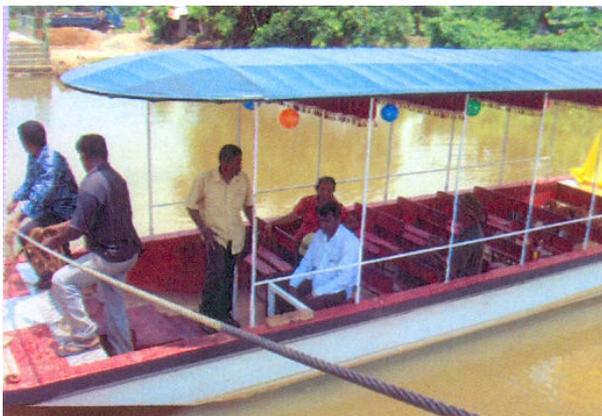
Special Development Activities Carried out by Utilizing the Allocation of The Fund - 2008

- Rs 2.3 million were obtained from The Trust Fund to purchase the furniture and computers for newly built Education and Training Center at Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya.



Computer Training for the Students

- Funds allocated through The Trust Fund for development activities of newly settled land of Gampaha Botanic Gardens, construction of the lake by Department of Irrigation, fixing electricity posts by State Industry and construction of boat yard by Sanasa Development Bank during this year.



The boat utilize to enter to the newly developed area at Gampaha Botanic Gardens.

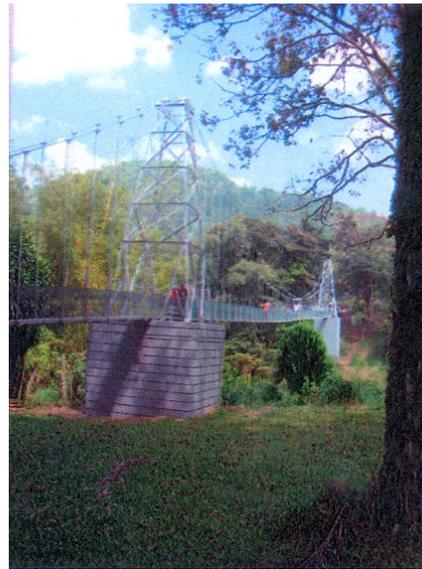


The newly built lake at developed area in Gampaha Botanic Gardens.



The Lake built with the assistance of Department of Irrigation at Gampaha Botanic Gardens.

- The permission was not granted to use the Suspensions Bridge from Peradeniya Botanic Gardens across to Mahaweli River as damages occurred in The Bridge for the tourists. Miscellaneous procurement activities were carried out to renovation of this bridge, due to failure the bridge was renovated by Engineering Corporation Rs. 5.1 million were obtained from The Trust Fund.



Renovated Suspension Bridge

- The difficulties arose as lack of quarters for The in-charge of Ganewatta Medicinal Plant Gardens. Rs.6.2 million were obtained from The Trust Fund to construct the quarters by North-west Engineering corporation.



Officer quarters of Ganewatta medicinal plants Gardens.

- Being the allocation were insufficient funds were obtained from The Trust Fund to built two poly tunnels during this year under The patronage of Divisional Secretary, Hanwella. Rs. 1.8 million expenditure were obtained from The Fund as elementary expenditure.



Elementary period of construction of poly tunnels at Avissawella Botanic Gardens.

Rs. 6.6 million were obtained from The Trust Fund for urgent renovation of official quarters and labourer quarters at Hakgala and Peradeniya Botanic Gardens by Central Province Engineering corporation.

Re. No.	Activity	Expenditure Rs.
01	Purchasing furniture for Education and Training	1,288,988.00
02	Construction of lavatory for Peradeniya Botanic Gardens	1,648,260.00
03	Purchasing Computers for Education and Training center	1,116,337.00
04	Development activities of Gampaha Botanic Gardens	5,340,500.00
05	Purchasing of plants and planting materials	61,975.00
06	Purchasing of books / printing of Guide Map	196,290.00
07	Training Programmers	1,317,612.00
08	Development activities of Avissawella Botanic Gardens	2,134,685.00
09	Upgrading of cafeteria at Peradeniya Botanic Gardens	1,786,466.00
10	Development activities of labourer quarters at Hakgala Botanic Gardens	2,935,000.00
11	Construction of water tank at Peradeniya Botanic Gardens	1,000,000.00
12	Constuction of security fence at Peradeniya Botanic Gardens	2,700,000.00
13	Renovation of Suspension Bridge at Peradeniya Botanic Gardens	5,179,569.00
14	Construction of Ganewatta Medicinal Plant Garden	6,290,000.00
15	Development activities of car park at Hakgala Botanic Gardens	332,550.00

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