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**PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL REPORT OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS /
ELECTION COMMISSION
FOR THE YEAR 2015**

(Department of Elections – Until 16th November 2015)
(Election Commission – From 17th November 2015)

01. Introduction

Enumeration of electors and certification of the electoral register for the year 2015, organization of activities relating to the Presidential Election on 08th January 2015, activities relating to the Parliamentary Election on 17.08.2015 and the filling of vacancies in Parliament, Provincial Councils and Local Authorities were the activities performed by the Department of Elections/ Election Commission during the year 2015.

02. Establishment of the Election Commission replacing the Department of Elections

2.1 History of the Department of Elections

2.1.1. In the year 1946, Soulbury Commission which came to Sri Lanka in 1944 to submit proposals for new Constitutional reforms introduced the Ceylon (Parliamentary Elections) Order in Council, 1946 on 26th September 1946 constituting laws relating to the registration of electors and the holding of Parliamentary Elections and introduced Local Authorities Ordinance 1946 in relation to the holding of Local Authorities Elections. Accordingly, one department under a Commissioner of Elections for voter registration and to hold elections and another department under a Commissioner of Elections to hold Local Authorities Elections functioned from 1946 to 1955. The “Department of Elections” was created on 01st October 1955 amalgamating the then Parliamentary Elections Department and the Local Authorities Elections Department.

2.1.2. The Department of Elections so established was administered under 6 Commissioners of Elections and it celebrated its 60th Anniversary at the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo on 30.09.2015. About one month and 17 days after the 60th Anniversary viz., 17th November 2015, the Election Commission was established and the Department of Elections existed for 60 years one month and 16 days was converted to the Election Commission.

2.2 Establishment of the Election Commission

2.2.1. At the time of functioning of the Department of Elections, Political Parties and the general public expressed views in 1980s and 1990s about the need of an Election Commission to ensure the holding of free and fair elections. In response to their views the Election Commission was introduced to the Constitution for the first time by the 17th Amendment to the Constitution in 2001. But the Election Commission introduced by the Seventeenth Amendment was not established and the

Commissioner of Elections was vested with the power to perform some functions of the Election Commission. Later the need for establishing the Election Commission was emphasized by the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Amendments to the Constitution as well. Accordingly, the proposed Election Commission was established on 17th November 2015 under the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution passed on 15th May 2015.

- 2.2.2 The Election Commission consists of three members and one of them has to be appointed as the Chairman. Accordingly, on the recommendations of the Constitutional Council, His Excellency the President appointed Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, former Commissioner of Elections, President's Counsel Mr. Nalin J. Abeysekara and Professor Ratnajeewan H. Hool on 13.11.2015 as the members of the Election Commission. Out of the three members, Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, former Commissioner of Elections was appointed as the first Chairman of the Election Commission and the inaugural meeting of the Election Commission was held on 17.11.2015 at the Elections Secretariat with the participation of all members.

03. Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980

3.1. Revision of Electoral Registers – 2014

- 3.1.1. The notice of the commencement of the enumeration of electors for the year 2014 under Section 12(1) of the Registration of Electors Act was published in the Government *Gazette* No. 1862/12 on 16.05.2014 and published the same in Sinhala, Tamil and English newspapers, on the same day.
- 3.1.2. Until the year 2013, house to house enumeration of electors commenced on 1st of June every year. But after taking into consideration the provisions of the Registration of Electors Act and the decision to certify the register within the relevant year, in the year 2015 too, the distribution of enumeration forms among chief occupants commenced from 15th May as it was done in 2013 and 2014. In terms of the Registration of Electors Act No. 44 of 1980, 1st of June of the relevant year was considered as the qualifying date as in the previous years.
- 3.1.3. In addition to all public awareness programmes conducted in the previous years through electronic and print media, additional steps were taken to make the general public aware about the enumeration of electors on the revision of electoral registers for the year 2014. The Commissioner of Elections declared 01st of June in every year as the

“Voters’ Day” and took necessary steps to launch various awareness programmes in the Elections Secretariat and at district level.

- 3.1.4. After completing the activities relating to multiple registrations and enquiries into claims / objections and re-scrutinizing the names of all electors with the enumeration forms (BC Forms), the Electoral Register was certified on 31.10.2014 in terms of Section 18 of the Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980. The notice under Section 20 regarding the certification was published in the *Gazette* No. 1886/67 on 31.10.2014 and in newspapers.
- 3.1.5. The determination of the Commissioner of Elections in terms of Article 98(8) of the Constitution regarding the number of members to be elected, for the year 2014, for each electoral district at a Parliamentary Election, based on the statements about the total number of names in the electoral register, provided by the Registering Officer of each electoral district after certifying the Electoral Register in 2014 under Section 23 of the Registration of Electors Act, was published in the *Gazette* No. 1898/6 of 19th January 2015. Details are shown in ***Table I***.
- 3.1.6. Accordingly, the number of Members of Parliament for No. 8 - Matara Electoral District and No. 10 - Jaffna Electoral District were increased by one and the number of members for No. 19 - Badulla Electoral District and No.20 - Moneragala Electoral District were decreased by one in the year 2014. Comparative Statement on the number of Members of Parliament to be elected for each electoral district (2006-2015) under the Article 98(8) of the Constitution is given in ***Table II***.

3.2 Revision of Electoral Registers – 2015

- 3.2.1. The notice under the Section 12(1) of the Registration of Electors Act relating to the commencement of the enumeration of electors for the year 2015 was published in the Government *Gazette* No. 1914/35 on 15.05.2015 and steps were taken to publish same in Sinhala, Tamil and English newspapers, on the same day.
- 3.2.2. While house to house enumeration of electors commenced on 1st of June every year until the year 2013, it commenced mid May of the respective year after the year 2013. Accordingly, in the year 2015 too, the enumeration of electors commenced on 15th May 2015. However, in terms of the Registration of Electors Act No. 44 of 1980, 1st of June in the relevant year was considered as the qualifying date to be an elector.

- 3.2.3. Instructions regarding the enumeration of electors in all electoral districts were issued to District Registering Officers on 11.03.2015 and the Commissioner of Elections informed the secretaries of the recognized political parties on 11.03.2015 about the procedure of appointing their representatives relating to the revision.
- 3.2.4. Steps were taken during the revision of electoral register 2015 to implement various programmes at district level on the “Voters’ day” on 1st of June, in addition to the general public awareness programmes carried out through electronic and print media in the previous years. The main function of the Voters’ Day of the year 2013 was held in Colombo centralizing the Colombo District and at the revision of electoral registers for the year 2014 steps were taken to carry out public awareness programmes in many districts. District Registering Officers/ Government Agents and District Deputy/ Assistant Commissioners of Elections gave their maximum support to accomplish the awareness programmes held in all other districts including the Badulla district, where the main function of the Voters’ Day was held in the year 2015. The Commissioner of Elections attended the main function held in Badulla District.
- 3.2.5. More attention was paid as in the previous years to register the groups which acted as obstacles to the objective of entering all qualified electors in the electoral register. Accordingly, instructions were given to all District Registering Officers/ Government Agents as well as to Deputy/ Assistant Commissioners of Elections to afford the priority to low income persons living in urban areas, people living in urban high rise apartments, people living in rented / leased houses, people migrating to urban areas in search of employment, Tamil speaking people who were serving in plantation industry and related jobs in Colombo, Kalutara, Galle and Matara Districts of Central, Uva and Sabaragamuwa Provinces and, internally displaced persons living in other areas of the Island due to actions of militant groups in Northern and Eastern Provinces and mentally sick persons who had been cured but continued to stay in Mental Hospitals due to non acceptance by their relatives.
- 3.2.6. In concurrence with the Voters’ Day, door to door collection of enumeration forms in selected Grama Niladhari divisions of selected Municipal Council/ Urban Council areas was conducted on 02.06.2015 by the enumerators and the officers of the Elections Secretariat. According to the observations of the District Deputy/ Assistant Commissioners of Elections in this connection, an opportunity to identify genuine residents and to accept BC forms from them was

provided and the attempts to insert names fraudulently to get children admitted to popular schools, could be minimized.

- 3.2.7. Instructions were given to implement a special programme, as in the previous years, under the personal supervision of each District Deputy / Assistant Commissioners of Elections to register Tamil speaking persons serving in the plantation industry and other related jobs and not registered as electors due to various reasons *viz.* inability to confirm the date of birth, problems in relation to the citizenship, staying away from home during the enumeration period owing to their careers and not interested in registering as electors. The support of the Superintendents of Estates, Plantation Community Facilitators and Grama Niladharis in estate areas was obtained for this purpose and an opportunity was provided to include the names of many persons in the estates in the electoral register. A special programme at the district level was also launched during the claim period to insert the names of electors in estate areas who were unable to insert their names at the primary enumeration.
- 3.2.8 There was an opportunity provided to conduct house to house enumeration of electors by enumerators irrespective of a very limited area in the Northern Province. House to house enumeration of electors was not possible in 28 polling districts in 03 polling divisions of No. 10 Jaffna Electoral District and one (01) polling district in Mannar polling division which belongs to No. 11 Vanni Electoral District, where people had not been resettled. As in the previous years, instructions were given in the year 2015 too to retain the names of the electors, who could not be enumerated by door to door enumeration but appeared in the previous electoral register. Details of the polling divisions and polling districts in this regard are given in **Table III**.
- 3.2.9. Field activities relating to the revision commenced on 15th May 2015. Although it was decided at the inception to complete the work by October 2015 and certify the electoral register on 31 October 2015, the certification of the electoral register had to be postponed until 31 December 2015 due to the two national level elections held during the year and activities relating to the payments in that regard etc.,.
- 3.2.10. Accordingly, field activities of the enumeration of electors, which commenced on 15th May 2015, were concluded by mid-July. The “A” list, which contains the names deleted from the operative register 2014 and the “B” list, which contains the newly inserted names to the operative register, were prepared mid September and were exhibited at all District Elections Offices, Divisional Secretariats, all Grama Niladhari Offices and Local Authorities, under Section 13 of

Registration of Electors Act No. 44 of 1980, during the 28 days period from 15.10.2015 to 12.11.2015, for the perusal of general public and enable them to submit their claims if their names were not included in the register. In the revision of electoral registers for the year 2015, there were 873,224 names to be deleted and 1,280,942 new names to be inserted to the operative register (2014) in all electoral districts. Claims and objections were accepted during this period of exhibition. The notice about the exhibition of “A” and “B” lists under the Section 13(2) of the Registration of Electors Act was published in *Gazette* No. 1936/42 of 15.10.2015 and in all national newspapers on 15.10.2015.

3.2.11. Prior to the commencement of the enumeration, steps were taken to inform all recognized political parties to appoint representatives on their behalf to participate in the door to door enumeration of electors with the Enumerators, observe the delivery of enumeration forms (BC forms) to the Chief Occupants and acceptance of such forms, examine the same at the enumerators’ offices at the end of the field enumeration and thereby to submit their observations. Since 1981 this opportunity has been provided to all recognized political parties, as the participation of the representatives of political parties to observe the duties of the enumerators is a big support to prepare an accurate electoral register. It is also a responsibility of all political parties to ensure the participation of their representatives in the enumeration process and ensure that the enumeration has been done correctly, without making complaints about depriving of the franchise of their party supporters, at an election time or when their supporters make complaints. However, only a very limited number of political parties appoint their representatives for this purpose and an insignificant number of those appointed also, contribute to this work. Therefore, the action commenced for the first time at the beginning of the 2014 revision was repeated at the revision in 2015 and the particulars were sent to the party secretaries about the statistics of the number of appointed representatives by the political parties and the number actually participated in this work in 2014, when the letter of informing them about the commencement of the revision in 2015 was sent. By this it was expected that party secretaries would take necessary steps to increase their representation. The details regarding appointments and participation of representatives of political parties in the revision of year 2015 are given in **Table IV**.

3.2.12. In the revision of 2015 also, action was taken, at the time of accepting checked enumeration forms (BC Forms) from the enumerators, to inform chief occupants of the households in writing, to obtain further information about the incidences where the enumerators had not

recommended the inclusion of the names on various grounds though the chief occupants entered those names, or when all the electors of a household were deleted in the year 2015 though they were registered in the year 2014 or when any name was deleted due to various reasons viz. failure to handover the BC forms. According to the responses received from the chief occupants, the names which could be registered were accepted and “A” listed and all other claims were treated as claims received during the period for claims and were called for inquiries. Action was taken to insert the names in the electoral register, which could be accepted according to the revealed information at the inquiries.

3.2.13. With regard to the revision of the year 2015, 74,696 claims and 1111 objections were received by District Registering Officers under the exhibition of “A” and “B” lists of each electoral district. The District Registering Officers were instructed to conduct and conclude the inquiries in this regard within the month of November. Accordingly, the number of claims and objections received, accepted and rejected according to the electoral district are given in *Table V*.

3.2.14. The programme which was implemented in previous years regarding the multiple registrations in the electoral register was carried out during the year 2015 too. Accordingly, at the revision of electoral registers in 2015, multiple registrations among

- ★ newly inserted names within the district,
- ★ newly inserted names within the district and the names in the operative electoral register (2014) of the district,
- ★ newly inserted names within the district and newly inserted names in all other districts, and
- ★ newly inserted names within the district and the names in the operative electoral registers of all other districts

were examined by using methods to check the multiple registrations. Situations where two or more persons under the same National Identity Card number were also revealed during the inquiries carried out by sending letters to the relevant electors. However, 129,882 names of multiple registrations were deleted in the year 2015 and the details of the number of deleted names of each electoral district due to multiple registrations are given in *Table VI*.

3.2.15. Enumerators were instructed to make every effort at the enumeration to record the National Identity Card Numbers of persons, who have obtained National Identity Cards, as the production of a valid identity card has been made compulsory at the time of voting according to the

Elections (Special Provisions) Act No. 14 of 2004. Even though the identity card number is given at the time of enumeration, the computer programme used in the revision process can detect any incorrect numbers. In such instances, the Department of Registration of Persons and the voter concerned were informed. It was possible by this process to correct a large number of errors in identity card numbers and attempts by voters to enter their names under several addresses, for various reasons could also be prevented by inserting the National Identity Card number to the electoral Register. Particulars of the persons, who produced their National Identity Card numbers at the enumeration of electors in 2015 and the comparative statement on the number of persons, who have produced the National Identity Card numbers at the revisions of electoral registers from year 2006 – 2015, are shown given in **Table VII and VIII** respectively.

- 3.2.16. Particulars of the number of persons in each Grama Niladhari Division who did not have identity cards in their possession and the reasons for not obtaining them by now namely, inability to produce the birth certificate or any other document to prove their date of birth, not interested in obtaining the identity card or other reasons, were obtained from the Grama Niladharis at the 2015 revision and steps were taken to inform them to the Commissioner of Registration of Persons. Accordingly, the Department of Registration of Persons took actions, during the year 2015 to implement a new programme to issue identity cards to those persons.
- 3.2.17. Action was taken to delete the names of 02 persons from the 2015 electoral register as the Department of Elections received reports that they were serving imprisonment for offences committed under the Bribery Act and Election Laws or other laws. Details of the names deleted due to various reasons are given in **Table IX**.
- 3.2.18. Prior to the certification of the electoral register, the draft register was exhibited at District Elections Offices and Grama Niladhari Offices in addition to publishing it in the website from 23.12.2015 to 28.12.2015. As was done in the 2014 revision, general public was informed in 2015 through paper advertisements and electronic media to inform the Election Commission or the District Elections Offices before 28.12.2015, if their names were not included in the electoral register.
- 3.2.19. The Electoral Register for the year 2015 was certified on 31.12.2015 under Section 18 of the Registration of Electors Act, No. 44 of 1980. The Notice under Section 20 of the Act was published in *Gazette* No. 1947/33 of 31.12.2015 and in the newspapers on the same day.

3.2.20. Number of registered electors in 2014 and 2015 according to the electoral districts and the comparative statement of number of electors in polling divisions of each electoral district from the year 2006 to 2015 are given in **Table X and XI** respectively.

3.3 Registration of Electors (Special Provisions) Act, No. 27 of 2013

3.3.1. This Act was passed in Parliament on 21st of June 2013 to enable internally displaced persons and their eligible children to vote, to exercise their right to exercise franchise in the electoral district in which their permanent residences were situated prior to being internally displaced as a result of terrorist activities or actions of militant or other groups in the recent past.

3.3.2. Period of enforcing the provisions of the Registration of Electors (Special Provisions) Act, No. 27 of 2013 was limited to two years and provisions of the said Act were not applicable to the revision in 2015. Several interested political parties inquired from the Commissioner of Elections in this regard and in 2015 those political parties initiated action to extend the provisions of the Act for another two years.

04. Presidential Election – 08.01.2015

4.1 In terms of Article 31 (3) (A) of the Constitution, two years before end of his term of office, His Excellency the President, Mahinda Rajapaksa, who was selected under the Section 56(2) of the Presidential Elections Act No. 15 of 1981, at the Presidential Election on 26th January 2010, expressed on 20.11.2014, his intention of seeking a mandate to hold the office, by election, for a further term. Accordingly, The Commissioner of Elections published the Notice under the Section 2 of the Presidential Elections Act, in the extraordinary *Gazette* No. 1889/31 dated 21.11.2014. By this notice, acceptance of nominations and the conduct of election were ordered to be on 08.12.2014 and 08.01.2015 respectively. Accordingly, during the months of November and December, 2014, steps were taken to carry out the preliminary activities of the Seventh Presidential Election which was scheduled to be held on 08th January 2015.

4.2 While accepting of nominations was scheduled to be on 08th December 2014, candidates who intended to contest had to make deposits before 12.00 noon of 07th December 2014. Therefore, 17 candidates from recognized political parties and 02 other candidates made deposits by the due date.

4.3 Nominations were accepted at the Elections Secretariat, Rajagiriya on 08.12.2014 and the nominations of all candidates who made the deposits were handed over to the Commissioner of Elections during the specified period. At

the end of receiving nominations, the Commissioner of Elections had to check them and declare whether they were accepted or not. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Elections declared that all the nominations received were accepted as they were handed over in terms of the provisions of the Presidential Elections Act No. 15 of 1981. The list of names of candidates who handed over nominations is given in *Table XII*.

- 4.4 The Election Notice was issued on 21.11.2014 under Section 2 of the Presidential Elections Act and postal voting facilities had to be provided under Section 23(2) of the said Act to the public officers who engage in election duties. The scheduled period given to submit postal voting applications until 30.11.2014, was extended by eight days i.e. until 08.12.2014, the last day for receiving of nominations. For this election, 626,953 postal voting applications were received and out of them 541,452 applications were accepted. Marking of postal votes was scheduled to be done at the offices of the Certifying Officers on 23 and 24.12.2014 and unmarked postal voting packets were taken to the custody of the Returning Officer and facilities were provided to those who could not to do so to mark them at the offices of the District Returning Offices on 30.12.2014, 03.01.2015 and 06.01.2015.
- 4.5 Action was taken to certify the 2014 electoral register on 31st October 2014 and therefore, electoral register of the year 2014 could be used for the Presidential Election. This provided opportunity to about three hundred thousand of new voters to cast their votes at this election. There were 15,044,490 electors according to the electoral register of 2014. Number of polling districts was 12,021 and the total number of polling stations including the polling stations for female voters was 12,314. Out of them 8,898 were government school buildings.
- 4.6 In terms of the Elections (Special Provisions) Act No. 14 of 2014, the voter has to be identified according to the National Identity Card before issuing a ballot paper at an election. However, it was decided to accept other identity documents also for the election purpose until the necessary facilities were provided to the public to obtain the National Identity Cards without any hindrance and issuing of National Identity Cards to the every voter is completed. Apart from this, the Department of Elections took action to issue temporary identity cards to the voters who do not have National Identity Cards or any other identity document with their possession and to revalidate and issue the temporary identity cards issued for the previous elections. Accordingly, 206,609 new temporary identity cards and 18,134 revalidated temporary identity cards were issued at the Presidential Election.

- 4.7 In terms of Section 24 of Presidential Elections Act an official poll card has to be sent to every voter. Thus the official poll cards, which include the registration particulars of voters and the details of the relevant polling station, were handed over to the Postal Department on 20.12.2014 to be distributed among voters. Out of the voters in the electoral register, the particulars of dead persons and persons living abroad close to the election were obtained from the Grama Niladharis and a stamp was placed on the official poll cards of such persons. Further, at the election, stamps were placed on the official poll cards of the postal voters. Particulars of persons living abroad, dead persons and postal voters were also recorded in the electoral registers provided to the Senior Presiding Officers of the polling stations and it was expected to prevent vote in person.
- 4.8 Following steps were taken to ensure the conduct of a free and fair election as per the 17th Amendment to the Constitution.
- 4.8.1. Issuing of media guidelines to all electronic and print media.
- 4.8.2. Inform all public institutions in writing to prevent the misuse of public property.
- 4.8.3. Implementation of a programme to open complaints centers at the Elections Secretariat and the offices of all District Returning Officers, appoint responsible officers, accept complaints and provide immediate solutions.
- 4.8.4. Introduction of a code of ethics for candidates.
- 4.8.5 Providing of a set of guidelines through the Inspector General of Police to the Police Officers who were to be engaged in election duties.
- 4.9. As per Section 117(1) of the Presidential Elections Act, the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation and the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation provided free telecasting and broadcasting facilities for the contesting candidates and the total time period given for the campaign of 19 candidates was 28 hours and 30 minutes.
- 4.10. About 200,000 qualified public officers of public departments / institutions were deployed for polling and counting duties. Counting was done at 1,419 counting centers and out of them 304 was for counting of postal votes.
- 4.11 Opportunity was provided to local/ foreign observer institutions to observe the activities of the poll and counting. Out of the local observer organizations, permission was granted to People's Action for Free and Fair Elections (PAFFREL) and to Center for Monitoring Election Violence (CMEV) to

observe the election by placing observers both at the premises and inside the polling stations and opportunity was provided for four other local observer organizations to stay outside the polling station and carry out their observations. Even though requests were made by observer organizations to observe the counting of votes and tabulation of the results at previous elections, permission was not granted for them. However, permission was granted to the observer organizations at the Presidential Election to observe the counting of votes and tabulation of the result at the offices of the Returning Officers. In addition, the observer organizations were also granted permission to observe the preparation of the final result at the Elections Secretariat.

- 4.12 Observers of the Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA) and the Forum of the Election Management Bodies of South Asia (FEMBoSA) participated as foreign observer organizations with the direct coordination of the Department of Elections and the Commonwealth observers coordinated and carried out observation of election by themselves.
- 4.13 While a series of steps were taken to enlighten the secretaries of Political Parties/ candidates and to eliminate the doubts of political parties / candidates related to the poll and counting of votes, an opportunity was provided at this Presidential Election to the secretaries of political parties/ agents and selected observer organizations to observe the tabulating of results at the Elections Secretariat, where the final result was prepared, though they were given the opportunity at the previous elections only to observe the counting of votes and tabulation of the result in district. Thus in addition to the appointments mentioned in the Act, an opportunity was provided at the Presidential Election to appoint certain number of agents for each party according to the number of counting premises and counting centers. Necessary security for the counting centers was provided by the Police.
- 4.14 Materials required for the election and staff were sent to the polling stations on 07.01.2015 and at the end of receiving of all ballot boxes at the counting center when the poll is closed on the next day viz. 08.01.2015 it was the responsibility of the Returning Officer to count the votes as per the instructions of the Commissioner of Elections and report the result to the Commissioner of Elections. Preparation of the results according to the polling divisions of the districts and the preparation of the district result were carried out at the Elections Secretariat based on the results received from the Returning Officers at the counting centers level. In the same manner District Returning Officers prepared the results on the polling division level and the district level and sent to the Commissioner of Elections. At this Presidential Election preparation of results was done in three ways namely, tabulation of the result and preparation of the result by a group of staff officers manually at the Elections Secretariat, preparation of the computerized result by the University of Colombo School of Computing by using computers and in

addition to them the scanned copies of the district results were collected and the result was prepared at the Computer branch of the Elections Secretariat. Thus when the results sheets prepared in three places in the Elections Secretariat matched with the final result sent by the District Returning Officers, action was taken to declare the result. At the district level District Returning Officer declared the final results of the polling division level and the district result on the permission received from the Commissioner of Elections and the Commissioner of Elections declared the result through television and broadcasting media after confirming the accuracy of the result.

- 4.15 After receiving the results of 22 electoral districts in the said manner the Commissioner of Elections calculated the votes given in favour of each candidate and declared the elected candidate as the President. There was no need to count preferences at the Presidential election 2015, as the candidate Mr. Maithripala Sirisena received a total number of 6,217,162 votes thus securing 155,436 more than the half viz., 6,061,726 out of the total number of votes given at this Presidential Election viz., 12,123,452 votes polled. The Commissioner of Elections declared on 09.01.2015 at the Elections Secretariat that Mr. Maithripala Sirisena was appointed as the President according to Section 64 (2) of the Presidential Elections Act No. 15 of 1981. The notice regarding the election of Mr. Maithripala Sirisena as the President was published in the *Extraordinary Gazette* No. 1896/26 on 09.01.2015. Details of the number of votes received by each candidate are given in **Table XIII**.

5. Parliamentary Election – 17.08.2015

- 5.1 In terms of the powers vested in His Excellency the President by the 70th Article of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and Section 10 of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981, Seventh Parliament was dissolved on 26th June 2015. Holding of the Parliamentary Election on 17.08.2015 and receiving of nominations in this regard at all electoral districts commencing from 06th July 2015 to 12 noon on 13 July was specified by the *Extraordinary Gazette* no. 1920/38 of 26th June 2015.
- 5.2 As per the electoral register 2014, which was the valid electoral register at the time of declaring the notice of dissolving the Parliament, the order on the number of members to be elected for each electoral district under Article 98(8) of the Constitution was published by the Commissioner of Elections on *Gazette* No. 1898/6 of 19.01.2015. The number of members mentioned in the said *Gazette* has to be elected from each electoral district.
- 5.3 According to the Nomination Notice the District Secretary of each administrative district received the nominations for each electoral district as the District Returning Officer and the District Secretary of Jaffna and District Secretary of Vavuniya received the nominations for Jaffna electoral district,

which consists of two administrative districts (Jaffna and Kilinochchi) and for Vanni electoral district, which consists of three administrative districts (Vavuniya Mannar and Mullaitive) respectively.

- 5.4 Recognized political parties and independent groups submitted 312 and 225 nominations for 22 electoral districts, respectively. Out of them 12 nominations of recognized political parties and 24 nominations of independent groups were rejected. Accordingly, the total number of accepted nominations was 501 and it consisted of 300 nominations of recognized political parties and 201 nominations submitted by independent groups. Highest number of recognized political parties contested in the Colombo district and it was 21. Highest number of independent groups contested to an electoral district was 30 and these nominations were handed over to Batticaloa electoral district. Total number of 6151 candidates, which consisted of 3653 candidates of recognized political parties and 2498 candidates of independent groups contested in the Parliamentary Election 2015. While there were 64 recognized political parties at the time of declaring the Parliamentary Election, only 35 political parties contested. Only four recognized political parties contested in all 22 electoral districts namely, United Peoples Freedom Alliance, United National Party, Peoples Liberation Front and Frontline Socialist Party.
- 5.5 In terms of Section 127 of Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981 any recognized political party in respect of an electoral district is entitled to receive in respect of a General Election, financial assistance by way of a grant from the state, if that party has polled not less than one per centum of the total number of valid votes polled at the last preceding General Election and has submitted nomination papers in respect of that district at the General Election in respect of which such grant is payable. Such grant is a sum calculated at the rate of fifty cents per vote polled by such party. Accordingly, in the 2015 General Election United Peoples Freedom Alliance, United National Party and Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi were entitled to receive the financial grant of the state. Sum of money paid to these parties was Rs. 3,718,317.
- 5.6 Electoral register for the year 2014 was the valid register for the Parliamentary Election held on 17.08.2015 and it included 15, 044, 490 registered voters.
- 5.7 Under Section 26(1) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981, the electoral registers were exhibited as books at offices of all Returning Officers and Divisional Secretariats to facilitate easy reference to the persons, who were qualified to vote by post and action was taken to establish 17 exhibition centers in the Colombo District and to provide relevant particulars by using computers. Besides a programme to provide information to the persons, who requested postal voting particulars from the District Elections Offices and the Elections Secretariat through telephones, fax and e-mail messages and a programme to provide them with necessary particulars from the Government

Information Center through 1919, was also carried out. Aforesaid steps were taken as the time period provided by the Act to apply for postal voting was limited. Even though the period specified by the Act for postal voting is limited to one week it was extended until the last date of nominations viz. 13.07.2015. The total number of applications received within the specified period was 627,728 and only 567,780 were accepted. Security covers enclosing the ballot papers were sent by post on 25.07.2015 to the accepted postal voters and two days viz., 05.08.2015 and 06.08.2015 were allocated to mark them. The postal voters those who could not mark their postal votes on the said dates, were allowed to mark them from 8.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on 11.08.2015 and the officers of the Education Ministry, teachers, principals, who had not received the opportunity due to the duties of the G. C. E. (Advanced Level) Examination were allowed to mark their votes from 8.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. on 14.08.2015.

- 5.8 In terms of Section 127(B) of Parliamentary Elections Act, any elector who reasonably fears that due to conditions prevailing in the area within which his polling station is situated, that he is unable to cast his vote at such polling station, may request to allow him to cast his vote at another polling station. The Commissioner of Elections provided this facility to the persons who were displaced in Northern and Eastern areas due to terrorist activities and have been residing at other areas in the island. The Commissioner of Elections received such applications until 14.07.2015 and the number of accepted applications was 9,558. Nineteen polling stations in Puttalam and Anuradhapura districts were established for these voters.
- 5.9 At this election 12,317 ordinary polling stations were established for 12,021 polling districts and 8,847 of them were government school buildings.
- 5.10 In terms of the Elections (Special Provisions) Act No. 14 of 2014 prior to the issue of a ballot paper at the polling station, the voter has to be identified through the National Identity Card. However, action was taken to introduce other identity documents and to issue temporary identity cards by the Department of Elections as the National Identity Card had not been in the possession of every voter. Thus, Returning Officers reported that the Department of Elections issued new temporary identity cards to 82,819 voters for the Parliamentary Election. In addition to them steps were taken to revalidate 125,366 temporary identity cards issued by the Department of Elections at previous elections.
- 5.11 Action was taken to print official poll cards, which had to be sent to every voter in terms of Section 27 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, by the Department of Elections giving the particulars of the voters and the specified polling stations allotted to them. They were posted to the voters on 29.07.2015.

- 5.12 On 28.06.2015, the Commissioner of Elections informed the Heads of government institutions, who had government properties with their possession, not to allow the use of state property in any manner, for the promotion of candidates. These instructions were published also in a *Gazette* notification and the Commissioner of Elections took steps against the Heads of relevant institutions and provided necessary instructions when complaints about such incidents received.
- 5.13 Instructions were given to the Police to control illegal election campaign, which was a main obstacle to hold lawful and fair election. The Police were instigated to remove illegal campaign notices, photographs, cutouts etc. of candidates and were provided with the necessary funds to hire laborers. Further, the Commissioner of Elections took necessary steps to inform all candidates to act according to the decisions made at the party secretaries and Consultative Committee meetings.
- 5.14 The Commissioner of Elections issued media guidelines to government and other media to avoid discriminations, which could be affected the parties and candidates in the broadcasting of news and other programmes and the Commissioner of Elections took steps to summon heads of electronic and print media to discuss with them about the use of media in holding a free and fair election.
- 5.15 Action was taken through the Post Master General to send a message from the contesting parties and independent groups to the voters free of charge under Section 125 of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981. In terms of Section 126 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, action was taken to provide political broadcasting facilities to the contesting political parties and independent groups by the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation and Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation.
- 5.16 Permission to observe the Parliamentary Election was granted to about 10 local observer organizations and out of them the People's Action for Free and Fair Elections (PAFFREL) and Center for Monitoring Election Violence (CMEV) were allowed to place their observers inside the polling station and also to have mobile observation outside the polling station. Other observer organizations participated as mobile observers. According to the requests made by observer organizations, they were provided with the facilities that were available at the Presidential Election, at the Parliamentary Election too to observe the counting and the tabulation of the result at the offices of the Returning Officers. In addition they were given the opportunity to observe the preparation of the final result at the Elections Secretariat.
- 5.17 Observers of the Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA) and the Forum of the Election Management Bodies of South Asia (FEMBoSA)

participated as foreign observers with the coordination of the Department of Elections and the whole coordination regarding the Commonwealth observers was carried out by the relevant organization itself.

- 5.18 District Returning Officers took action to send all necessary materials and the polling staff to every polling station on 16.08.2015. District Returning Officers were informed to instruct to make all officers in the district to report to the polling stations before 2.00p.m. on the day prior to poll day by using public transport services. Polling staff who came from other districts and the staff, who had to report to the remote polling stations where public transport facilities could not be obtained, reported to the relevant polling stations in the afternoon of 16.08.2015 by using transport facilities provided by the Returning Officers.
- 5.19 Poll at every polling station commenced at 7.00 a.m. on 17.08.2015 and closed at 4.00 p.m. At the end of the poll ballot boxes and other materials were handed over to the offices of the Returning Officers on the same day and counting of votes commenced at the counting centers. Total number of counting centers was 1600 and out of them 317 were centers for counting of postal votes. Activities relating to counting of postal votes of most number of ordinary counting centers commenced at 4.30 p.m. on the poll day and the activities related to counting of votes at the most of ordinary counting centers commenced at about 7.30 p.m. Agents of contesting political parties and independent groups were allowed to enter to the counting centers and they were also allowed to appoint agents to the center for preparation of results. Thus in addition to the appointments mentioned in the Act, an opportunity was provided at the General Election to appoint certain number of agents for each party according to the number of counting premises and counting centers. Necessary security for the counting centers was provided by the Police.
- 5.20 After receiving the approval of the Commissioner of Elections for the polling division and district results, which were prepared by the Returning Officers at the end of counting of votes, action was taken to publish the result and the Commissioner of Elections calculated the number of members to be elected from the national list based on the number of votes received by each party/group for all electoral districts. Thus the results of this Parliamentary Election were published in the *Gazette* No. 1928/3 on 19.08.2015. Names of recognized political parties and independent groups, who contested in the Parliamentary Election and members elected, the total number of votes received for all contested electoral districts and the total number of memberships received in the Parliament together with the memberships in the national list are given in ***Table XIV***.

06. Recognition of political parties and filling of vacancies in the memberships of the Parliament

- 6.1. The provisions in the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981 regarding the recognition of political parties, were amended by Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, No. 58 of 2009 which was passed on 16.09.2009 and according to the new provisions the Commissioner of Elections should call for applications from political parties for recognition in January every year. But, if any election is pending in this month, actions relevant to calling for applications should be taken within 30 days after such election.
- 6.2. The Commissioner of Elections could not issue the notice regarding the recognition of political parties in the year 2015 too, as legal proceedings related to elections to Pudukudiiruppu and Maritimé pattu Pradeshiya Sabhas in Mullaitivu District were pending.
- 6.3. The Commissioner of Elections is required by Section 7(4) (b) of the Parliamentary Elections Act, to publish the list of recognized political parties in the Government *Gazette* at the commencement of every calendar year. Accordingly, action was taken to publish the list of parties for the year 2015 in the Extraordinary *Gazette* No. 1899/46 of 31.01.2015 and thus, 64 parties were registered as recognized political parties for the year 2015. The list of these parties is given in **Table XV**.
- 6.4. Action was taken to fill four vacancies in the Membership of Parliament in the year 2015 and the particulars are given in **Table XVI**.

07. Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988

No Provincial Council Election was held in the year 2015 and vacancies were filled only. The relevant details are given in **Table XVII**. Action was taken in this year to fill 65 vacancies in the memberships of Provincial Councils.

08. Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262)

8.1 Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) as amended by the Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act No. 01 of 2002

- 8.1.1 Elections to Puthukudiiruppu and Maritimé pattu Pradeshiya Sabhas of Mullaitivu District which were scheduled to be held on 28.02.2015 under Section 38 (3) of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) as amended by the Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act No. 01 of 2002 and in terms of the Extraordinary *Gazette* No. 1900/2 dated 02.02.2015, were not held due to a court order.

- 8.1.2. The term of office of members in 03 Municipal Councils, 30 Urban Councils and 201 Pradeshiya Sabhas ended by the extraordinary *Gazette* no. 1907/50 dated 27.03.2015.
- 8.1.3 The term of office of 22 Municipal Councils were extended until 31 December 2015 in terms of Extraordinary *Gazette* No. 1936/44 dated 15.10.2015 and the Paragraph (B) of Sub Section (2) of Section 10 in the Municipal Councils Ordinance, Chapter 25 and the term of office of the members of the Moratuwa Municipal Council was extended until 31 December 2015 by the Extraordinary *Gazette* No. 1936/58 dated 16.10.2015.
- 8.1.4. The term of office of 9 Urban Councils and 55 Pradeshiya Sabhas together with Kaduwela Municipal Council ended on 01 August 2015 due to the period of their term of office came to an end.
- 8.2 In terms of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) as amended by the Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Act No. 22 of 2012 future local authorities elections have to be conducted on electoral district basis. But conducting of the election is a problem as the delimitation is not completed until now, due to the problems arose relating to the report of the Delimitation Commission and the amendments to the Local Authorities Election proposed by the Commissioner of Elections, which enable the conducting of the election, have not been completed to date.
- 8.3. Action was taken during this year to fill 114 vacancies in the memberships of Local Authorities and the details relating to the filling of vacancies in the Municipal Councils, Urban Councils and Pradeshiya Sabhas are given in *Table XVIII, XIX and XX*.

09. Staff

9.1. Creation of new posts

In view of converting the Department of Elections to the Election Commission with effects from 17.11.2015, action was taken to obtain approval of the Management Services Department for a separate staff to carry out the activities of the Election Commission and to attach the whole staffs, who were serving in the Department of Elections, to the Election Commission.

- 9.1.1 The Office of the Election Commission was established to perform the duties and functions of the Commission with a Secretary function as the Head. It was planned to recruit 32 officers under various designations and in the year 2015 only a Secretary was appointed. Mr. H. M. T. D. Herath, a retired officer of the Sri Lanka Administration

Service and an Attorney at Law was appointed as the first Secretary to the Election Commission.

- 9.1.2 A post of Administration Officer, Supra Grade of Public Management Assistants' Service has been approved for Colombo District Elections Office of this Department by the letter No. DMS/1014 dated 11.05.2015 of the Director General, Department of Management Services, Ministry of Finance.
- 9.1.3. By the letter No. DMS / 1014 dated 11.05.2015, the Director General of Management Services Department of Ministry of Finance approved one post of Director (Research and Planning) of Class I of Sri Lanka Planning Service and one post of Assistant/ Deputy Director, Class III/ II of the Sri Lanka Planning Service, to the Department of Elections.
- 9.1.4. Director General of Management Services Department, Ministry of Finance approved one post of Technical Officer of Sri Lanka Technical Service to this Department by his letter No. DMS / 1014 (1) dated 24.11.2015.
- 9.1.5 By his letter no. DMS / 1014 dated 30.12.2015 one post of Chief Financial Officer of Special Class of Sri Lanka Accountants' Service has been approved by the Director General of Management Services Department of Ministry of Finance.
- 9.1.6 The Director General of Management Services Department, Ministry of Finance by his letter No. DMS / 1014 dated 30.12.2015 upgraded the post of Class III of Sri Lanka Accountants Service (Assets Management and Procurement) to the Class I of Sri Lanka Accountants' Service.
- 9.1.7 With the approval of the Management Services Department action was taken in 2015 to create one new post in the Drivers Service and 12 posts in the Public Management Assistants' Service in view of the increase in the functions of the Department of Elections.
- 9.1.8 In terms of the provisions of the Public Administration Circular 25/2014 and the Cabinet Decision on 28/12/2014, 12 casual Management Assistants, recruited on special requirements to work in two official languages, were appointed to the posts of the Grade III of Document Assistant of the Department with effect from 02.02.2015.
- 9.1.9 For the 05 vacancies in the Office Employees Service, five qualified persons were selected by an interview, conducted according to the provisions of the Public Administration Circular 24/95 and the Minute

of the Office Employees Service, and recruited with effect from 02.02.2015.

9.1.10 In terms of the Public Administration Circular No. 25/2014 issued to grant permanent appointments to the employees recruited on temporary/ casual (daily)/ substitute/ contract or relief basis as per budget proposals 2015, 54 qualified persons who were serving in the Department of Elections on casual basis were given permanent appointments in the Class III of Office Employees Service and 04 persons were given permanent appointments in the Class III of the Drivers Service with effect from 02.02.2015 with the approval of the Director of Combined Services.

9.1.11 Approval of the Management Services Department was obtained to recruit persons for 38 vacant Document Assistant posts and applications were called and an examination was conducted for 428 applicants by the Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration and the results of this examination was received by the Department of Elections on 30.12.2015.

9.2. New Appointments (Staff Grade)

9.2.1. Mr. Indika Gayan Pathirana of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service, who was attached to this Department from 02.04.2015 by the letter No. 75/10/5168 dated 04.03.2015 of Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance, was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Moneragala District Elections Office with effect from 18.05.2015.

9.2.2. By the letter No. 75/10/4749 dated 10.04.2015 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance, Mr. T. Akilan of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service was attached to Department of Elections with effect from 29.04.2015 and he was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Jaffna District Elections Office with effect from 30.06.2015.

9.2.3. Mr. W. A. L. Wickramaarachchi of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service, who was attached to this Department with effect from 02.11.2015 by letter No.75/10/5273 dated 29.10.2015 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration and Management, was appointed to the post of Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Nuwara Eliya District Elections Office with effect from 01.12.2015.

- 9.2.4. The total number of vacancies in the cadre of the Public Management Assistants' Service was 26 as at 10.10.2015. As a result of making representations to the Ministry of Public Administration, 20 persons were allocated to the Department from the new recruitments of Public Management Assistants' Service of the year 2015 to fill such vacancies.

9.3 Promotions

- 9.3.1 Mr. Saman Sri Ratnayake, Class I of Sri Lanka Administrative Service who was serving at the Kandy District Elections Office of the Department of Elections was appointed to the post of Deputy Commissioner of Elections (Admin) of the Head Office.

9.4 Transfers

- 9.4.1. Mr. T. A. C. N. Talangama, Class I of Sri Lanka Administrative Service who was serving in the Kurunegala District Elections Office was appointed to the post of Deputy Commissioner of Elections of Kandy District Elections Office with effect from 23.03.2015.
- 9.4.2. Mr. K. J. S. Madhawa, Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service who was serving in the Anuradhapura District Elections Office was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Kurunegala District Elections Office with effect from 02.04.2015.
- 9.4.3. Mr. R. R. A. S. K. Ratnayake, Class III Officer of Sri Lanka Administrative Service who was serving in the Badulla District Elections Office was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Anuradhapura District Elections Office with effect from 16.04.2015.
- 9.4.4. Mr. Suranga Ambagahatenne of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service was appointed to the post of Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Badulla District Elections Office with effect from 07.05.2015. He was earlier serving at the Moneragala District Elections Office.
- 9.4.5. Mr. P. Ragunathan, Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service who was serving in the Puttalam District Elections Office was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Gampaha District Elections Office with effect from 04.06.2015.
- 9.4.6. Mr. R. Saseelan of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service and was serving in the Mullaitive District Elections Office was appointed to the Batticaloa District Elections Office with effect from 04.06.2015 as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections.

- 9.4.7. Mr. A. M. Kabeer, Supra Class of Public Management Assistants' Service, who was serving in the Batticaloa District Elections Office, was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Puttalam District with effect from 04.06.2015.
- 9.4.8. Two officers of Public Management Assistants' Service were transferred out of the Department under the annual transfers in 2015 and only one officer assumed duties in the Department in the Public Management Assistants' Service.
- 9.4.9. Fifteen officers of Public Management Assistants' Service and 02 Drivers who expressed desire to serve in the Department of Elections were transferred to this Department under inter departmental transfers.
- 9.4.10. Fifteen officers of Public Management Assistants' Service, one Development Officer and one member of Office Employees' Service were transferred out of the Department and the service rendered to the Department by all of them is appreciated.

9.5. Transfers out of the Department

- 9.5.1. Mr. P. Kuganathan, Class I of Sri Lanka Administrative Service was released from the post of Assistant Commissioner of Elections, Jaffna District with effect from 16.03.2015, enabling him to assume duties at the Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance as per letter No. 76/1/15/18(1) Volume XI dated 27.02.2015 of the Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance. The Service rendered by him to the Department is appreciated.
- 9.5.2. As per the letter No. 75/10/4160 of 05.10.2015 of the Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Management, Mr. H. A. S. Fernando, of the Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service, who was serving at the Nuwara Eliya District Elections Office, was released from the service of the Department of Elections enabling him to assume duties at the Prime Minister's Office on 05.10.2015. The Commission admires the service rendered by him to the Department of Elections.
- 9.5.3 Mr. R. Mugunthan of the Class II of Public Management Assistants' Service, who was serving in the Vavuniya District Elections Office, was released on 08.11.2015 to enable him to assume duties of a post of Class III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service as he passed the Limited Examination for recruitment to the service.

- 9.5.4 Members of the Office Employees Service namely, Mr. N. G. T. P. Weerasekara and Ms. G. D. Shashika Nivanthi, who were serving in the Polonnaruwa and Colombo District Elections Offices respectively, and Ms. M. A. G. Prasilda Prasanna and Ms. P. S. Geethanjali of the Elections Secretariat were released on 14.09.2015 to enable them to assume duties in the posts of Class III of Public Management Assistants Service as they passed the Open Competitive Examination for recruitment to the Public Management Assistants Service.
- 9.5.5 Four officers of the Public Management Assistants Service, who were serving at the Department of Elections namely, Mr. U. A. A. Priyadarshana (Ratnapura), Ms. G. B. C. D. Wijesinghe (Ratnapura), Ms. M. A. D. G. Madawala (Hambantota) and Mr. K. D. L. N. T. Ranasinghe (Kandy) were released from the Department of Elections in 2015 as they obtained positions in the Public Service and other fields.
- 9.5.6 Ms. P. H. M. Sri Madhu, who was serving in the Kandy District Elections Office in the Class III of Office Employees Service resigned from the public service from 28.01.2015 due to personal reasons.
- 9.5.7 The Commission admires the services rendered to the Department by all above mentioned officers, who were serving in the Department and released to serve in other Departments, institutions and others departed from the public service.

9.6. Retirements

- 9.6.1 During the year 2015, 02 staff officers, 07 officers of Public Management Assistants' Service and two members of Office Employees' Service of the Department retired from the service.
- 9.6.2 Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, who retired as the Commissioner of Elections on 06.06.2015 after about 33 years of service, entered into the Sri Lanka Administration Service on 01.07.1982 and was attached to the Department of Elections on 01.07.1983 at the end of one year training period. He served as an Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Colombo District from 01.08.1983 to 31.12.1983. He assumed duties as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Trincomalee District on 01.01.1984 and was transferred on 28.04.1987 to assume his duties as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Matara District with effect from 29.04.1987. He worked at the Matara District Elections Office till 06.01.1993 and was transferred to Colombo District Elections Office on 07.01.1993 and served there until 31.12.1994. He then functioned as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Kalutara District from 01.01.1995 to 14.02.1996, Assistant Commissioner of Elections of

Galle District from 15.02.1996 to 31.01.2000 and once again at the Colombo District Elections Office from 01.02.2000 to 31.10.2006. On 01.11.2006 he was appointed as the Deputy Commissioner of Elections (Admin) at the Elections Secretariat and served as an Additional Commissioner of Elections of the Elections Secretariat from 01.11.2010 to 24.03.2011. When Mr. Dayananda Dishanayake, the then Commissioner of Elections retired from the service on 24.03.2011 Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya assumed duties as the Sixth Commissioner of Elections of the Department of Elections on 25.03.2011.

- 9.6.3 After his appointment as the Commissioner of Elections Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya conducted Local Authorities, Provincial Councils Elections and the well known Presidential Election and General Election in 2015. Various steps were taken at all of the said elections to hold free and fair elections viz., obtained the maximum support from the political parties, took action to resolve problems by convening the consultative committee, which consists of permanent representatives of political parties to enforce election laws. The importance of the prevention of misuse of state resources and using of media to hold a free and fair election was emphasized by issuing media guidelines and calling of meetings with heads of media. Several steps were taken to hold a free and fair election by establishing complaint centers at the Elections Secretariat and Offices of the District Returning Officers and engagement of Police Units connected to them to provide opportunities to take immediate action regarding the complaints and to minimize the violation of election laws.
- 9.6.4 While Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya, the Commissioner of Elections retired from the public service on 06.06.2015 due to the attaining of the age of 60 years, in terms of the provisions in Article 49 (3) (a) of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, he as the Commissioner of Elections, continued the duties of the Commissioner as vested in him, until the Election Commission was constituted on 17.11.2015. When the Election Commission was constituted Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya was appointed as the Chairman of the Commission and is serving as the Chairman of the Election Commission since then.
- 9.6.5 Mr. A. H. M. Kabeer, who was serving as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Puttalam District and retired on 07.09.2015, was an officer promoted to the Supra Grade of the Public Management Assistants Service with effect from 30.04.2011. He was then appointed as the Administrative Officer of Kandy District Elections Office from 02.08.2012. Later he served as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections (Acting) at Vavuniya, Kilinochchi and Batticaloa District Elections Offices and was appointed as the Assistant Commissioner of

Elections of Puttalam District from 04.06.2015. Although Mr. Kabeer retired on 07.09.2015 on attaining the age of 60 years and he is still serving as the Assistant Commissioner of Elections (Acting) of Puttalam District. The Commission takes opportunity to appreciate the service rendered by him to the Department of Elections.

9.6.6 Among other officers who served in the department and retired during 2015, Mr. J. A. M. Jayaratne of Moneragala District Elections Office assumed his duties in the Department of Elections on 08.03.1978 and was serving as the Chief Public Management Assistant of the Moneragala District Elections Office at the time of his retirement on 20.01.2015. Mrs. A. D. Anulawathi joined the Department of Elections on 15.06.1987 and was serving as the Chief Public Management Assistant of the Ratnapura District Elections Office at the time of her retirement on 16.05.2015 and Mr. J. M. Karunaratne assumed his duties at the Department of Elections on 01.12.1989 and was serving as the Chief Public Management Assistant of the Badulla District Elections Office at the time of his retirement on 18.07.2015. Some other officers of Public Management Assistants' Service namely, Ms. G. W. S. B. Samaradasa of Galle Elections Office, Ms. R. G. P. R. Rajapaksha of Gampaha District Elections Office, Mr. K. K. T. Ratnayake of Kalutara Elections Office and Ms. H. V. C. Karunaratne and members of the Office Employees Service namely, Mr. G. H. C. Attanayake of Galle Elections Office and Mr. A. P. Jayasena of Ratnapura Elections Office retired during the year 2015. The services rendered to the Department of Elections by all of these retired persons are appreciated. Detailed report of the retired officers and employees is given in **Table No. XXI**.

9.6.7 Mr. R. G. D. Rankoth, who assumed duties in the Department of Elections on 04.11.1991, was transferred from the Anuradhapura Elections Office and was serving in the Kurunegala Elections Office, when he passed away on 18.09.2015 due to an illness. He was a very conciliatory officer, who was working with a friendly mind towards all the officers of the Department of Elections. The Commission admires the service he rendered to the Department.

10. Training

10.1 Local

10.1.1. During the year 2015, 45 staff officers, 42 officers of Public Management Assistants' Service, 05 members of Office Employees Service and 30 Drivers were sent for training programmes conducted by Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration, Sri Lanka

Foundation, National Institute of Labour Studies, Government Printing Department, University of Kelaniya, Prag Institute, National Institute of Language Education and Training, Skills Development Fund, Department of Official Languages, Department of Motor Traffic and Construction Equipment Training Centre. A cost of Rs. 1,122,350.00 was incurred in 2015 for local training.

- 10.1.2. Action was taken during the year 2015 to train staff officers and other officers at the Elections Secretariat on General Administration, Accounting, Stores Administration as well as revision of electoral registers and matters relating to the organization of preliminary activities of elections with the expectation of minimizing audit queries in District Elections Offices including the Elections Secretariat.

10.2 Foreign

- 10.2.1. Mr. J. A. S. P. Jayasinghe and Mr. P. R. N. H. Ratnayake, Assistant Commissioners of Elections of the Elections Secretariat participated in the programme of Training of Trainers on Election Management held in Nepal from 18.01.2015 to 28.01.2015.
- 10.2.2. Mr. D. T. I. Wickremaratne, Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Ampara District and Mr. D. C. Aravintharaj, Assistant Commissioner of Mannar District attended the Training on Election Management held in India from 02.03.2015 to 07.03.2015.
- 10.2.3. District Assistant Commissioners of Elections Mr. K. J. S. Madhawa (Anuradhapura), Mr. W. H. R. Vijaya Kumara (Matara), Mr. G. D. N. De Siva (Kegalle), Mr. R. V. N. Gunawardene (Colombo District), Mr. H. I. R. Hathurusinghe (Polonnaruwa), Mr. U. D. D. Chandraratne (Hambantota) and Mr. G. R. A. K. Gamlath, Internal Auditor and Mr. H. W. N. Kumara, Accountant of the Elections Secretariat participated in the Training on Election Management held in A Web Secretariat, Incheon, South Korea from 21.04.2015 to 04.05.2015.
- 10.2.4. Mr. E. A. Weerasena, Chief Accountant of the Elections Secretariat attended the Capacity Building Programme for Financial Manager held in the United Kingdom from 21.06.2015 to 01.07.2015.
- 10.2.5. Mr. H. R. P. Peris, Deputy Commissioner of Elections of Kalutara District, other Assistant Commissioners of Elections namely, Mr. P. Rangunathan (Gampaha), Mr. R. Saseelan (Batticaloa) and Mr. S. W. Welgama (Trincomalee) together with Mr. W. A. Ranjan Nishantha, Assistant Director of Information Technology (Acting) of the Elections Secretariat participated in the Training on Election Management held in India from 15.09.2015 to 25.09.2015.

10.2.6. Mr. Suranga Ambagahatenne, Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Badulla participated in the Capacity Building Training Programme held in India from 17.11.2015 to 26.11.2015.

10.2.7. Mr. A. B. I. De Silva, Deputy Commissioner of Elections of Galle and two other Assistant Commissioners of Elections namely, Mr. J. A. S. P. Jayasinghe and Mr. P. R. N. H. Ratnayake together with Mr. P. C. P. De Silva, Deputy Director (Research and Planning) participated in the Training on Election Management held in A Web Secretariat, Incheon, South Korea from 27.11.2015 to 05.12.2015.

10.3 Official Foreign Tours

10.3.1. Additional Commissioner of Elections, Mr. M. M. Mohamed attended the Asian Electoral Stake holders Forum held in Timor - Leste from 18.03.2015 to 21.03.2015.

10.3.2. Mr. R.M.A.L. Ratnayake, Additional Commissioner of Elections left the island from 10.09.2015 to 15.09.2015 to observe the local government election held in Norway.

10.3.3. Mr. M. K. S. S. Ratnayake, Deputy Commissioner of Elections participated in local government election observation in Indonesia from 07.12.2015 to 13.12.2015.

10.3.4. Mr. M. M. Mohamed, Additional Commissioner of Elections attended the Discussion on Experiences of Parliamentary Elections in Myanmar, Sri Lanka and Cambodia held in Mongolia from 20.12.2015 to 24.12.2015. It is regretted that Mr. Achchuthan, Assistant Commissioner of Elections of Colombo, who was to participate in this discussion could not participate due to the delay in obtaining visa.

10.4. Experience and training obtained by officers by participating in this local and foreign trainings as well as election observation and discussions/ conferences, will be extremely useful to carry out the future activities of the Commission.

11. Constructions and assets

11.1 Foundation stone to build the office quarters of the Deputy Commissioner of Elections of Gampaha District was laid on 16.10.2015 and the contract for the construction was offered to the Finite Lanka (PVT) Ltd., No. 260/1/2, First Floor, Kandy Road, Yakkala South, Yakkala. Even though this work was planned to complete with the provisions obtained from the Treasury in the year 2015, there was a delay in the construction work as the site proposed to build the office quarters had to be used as a vehicle park at the Presidential Election and also the General Election held in 2015 and the land had to be

filled with large amounts of soil due to the adverse weather conditions towards the end of the year. However, it has to be noted that with many obstacles it was possible to complete the construction of the first floor by the end of the year 2015.

11.2 As the Department of Elections was converted to the Election Commission and as it was decided to establish the Election Commission in the Elections Secretariat, action to move out the Deputy Commissioner of Election's (Admin) Division and the record room, at the Elections Secretariat commenced in the year 2015 and this work was entrusted to the National Building Research Organization.

11.3. Further, action was taken to complete the urgent repairs of the District Elections Offices and official residences of District Deputy/ Assistant Commissioners of Elections, within the limits of the provisions provided for the year 2015.

11.4. Details of the new vehicles obtained by the Department of Elections during the year 2015 are as follows.

Serial No.	Date of Purchase	Date of first registration	Value	Vehicle No.
01	02.01.2015	02.01.2015	Rs. 7,400,000.00	CAD -1251
02	23.04.2015	23.04.2015	Rs. 6,390,000.00	PG – 1775
03	24.04.2015	24.04.2015	Rs. 6,390,000.00	PG – 1781
04	24.04.2015	24.04.2015	Rs. 6,390,000.00	PG – 1782
05	24.04.2015	24.04.2015	Rs. 6,390,000.00	PG – 1783
06	24.04.2015	24.04.2015	Rs. 6,390,000.00	PG - 1784
07	16.01.2002	16.01.2002	Transferred from other Ministries.	GL - 8082
08	28.11.2011	28.11.2011		KR - 3011
09	02.07.2012	02.07.2012		PE - 1860

11.5. Details of the vehicles sold by the Department of Elections due to poor running conditions and the particulars of the sold prices are given below.

Vehicle No.	Vehicle Type	Sold Price	Sold Date
56 – 7471	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,275,000.00	27.07.2015
57 – 6534	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,275,000.00	27.07.2015
53 – 6225	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,085,000.00	27.07.2015
57 – 6533	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,458,000.00	28.07.2015
53 – 1857	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,070,000.00	28.07.2015
56 – 7469	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,400,999.00	29.07.2015
53 - 6224	Isuzu Double Cab	Rs. 1,012,600.00	29.07.2015

- 11.6. According to the above particulars, the total number of vehicles owned by the Department of Elections as at 31.12.2015 is as follows.

Cars	Jeeps	Cabs	Vans	Crew Cabs	Lorries	Motor Bicycles
12	03	36	03	01	01	01

12. Audit and Financial Information

- 12.1. In terms of the instructions provided by the Management and Audit Circular dated 09.06.2009, 4 Audit Committee meetings have to be conducted during one Management Year. Action was taken to hold 3 Audit and Management Committee Meetings during the year 2015 even with the organizational activities related to the Presidential Election and the Parliamentary Election had to be carried out.
- 12.2. During the year 2015 Internal Audit Division of the Department of Elections took action to carry out 23 Audit queries in the Elections Secretariat and District Elections Offices, to obtain observations from the relevant divisions and to provide necessary instructions as required.
- 12.3. Eight Audit Queries under various subjects were received for the year 2015 and action was taken to answer them within the due period of time.
- 12.4. Rs. 2706 million and Rs. 2975 million was spent to conduct the Presidential Election and the Parliamentary Election respectively. The cost incurred for these two national level elections was lower than the number of registered voters in the Provincial Councils Elections, which were held from time to time in the previous year. Holding of island wide elections as one day was the reason for the reduction of the cost.
- 12.5. The cost for the preparation of the electoral register in the year 2015 was approximately Rs.90 million which shows a reduction of Rs. 17 million compared to the expenditure incurred in the year 2014 in this regard. The expenditure in this year was decreased due to the reuse of electoral registers printed for the Presidential Election, for the Parliamentary Election too and incurring the recurrent expenditure with care.
- 12.6. The recurrent expenditure in the years 2015 and 2014 were Rs. 5803 million and Rs. 2095 million respectively. The recurrent expenditure shows a huge increase when compared to the previous year. Holding of the Presidential Election and the Parliamentary Election in the year 2015 directly caused the increase of recurrent expenses.

- 12.7 The capital expenditure in 2015 was Rs.46.1 million and it was Rs. 32.9 million lower than in 2014. The decrease in the capital expenditure was due to the postponement of constructions as the Presidential Election and the Parliamentary Election had to be conducted in the year.
- 12.8. All the applications for distress loans were granted in this year and loans up to Rs.9.1 million was paid to 104 members of the staff. This is an increase of Rs. 2.5 million compared to the previous year and was directly due to the increase of the number of applicants in the year.
- 12.9. Revenue earned in the year 2015 by issuing extracts of the electoral register was Rs. 8.2 million and it is an increase of Rs. 3.5 million when compared with the previous year. The reason for the increase of revenue is due to the increase of issuing of extracts for various public needs.
- 12.10. With the increase of the production of the register in CD format while limiting the preparation of the register in book form, Rs.7.94 million of revenue could be earned in 2015 by the sale of electoral register in compact discs.
- 12.11. Rs. 4.2 million was spent on local and foreign training courses of staff officers and non-staff officers to improve the efficiency of the Department.

13. Conclusion

Year 2015 can be considered as another year which could carry out both two major functions entrusted to the Commissioner of Elections by the Constitution *viz.* preparation and certification of the annual electoral register and conduct of elections. Electoral register of year 2015 was certified on 31.12.2015 and two national level elections namely, Presidential Election and the Parliamentary Election were conducted during the year 2015. Especially, constituting of the Election Commission replacing the Department of Elections, which was a particular expectation of the political parties as well as the general public, came to a success in the year 2015.

Election Commission

Elections Secretariat,
Sarana Mawatha,
Rajagiriya.
11th May, 2016.

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Table I

**Order under Article 98(8) of the Constitution – Number of Members to be returned
from each electorate at Parliamentary Elections – 2015**

Electoral District	Number of Members which each Electoral District is entitled to return
01 - Colombo	19
02 - Gampaha	18
03 - Kalutara	10
04 - Mahanuwara	12
05 - Matale	5
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	8
07 - Galle	10
08 - Matara	8
09 - Hambantota	7
10 - Jaffna	7
11 - Vanni	6
12 - Batticaloa	5
13 - Digamadulla	7
14 - Trincomalee	4
15 - Kurunegala	15
16 - Puttalam	8
17 - Anuradhapura	9
18 - Polonnaruwa	5
19 - Badulla	8
20 - Moneragala	5
21 - Ratnapura	11
22 - Kegalle	9
TOTAL	196

Table II

Comparative statement of the number of Parliamentary Members to be elected for each Electoral District under the Article 98(8) of the Constitution – From 2006 to 2015

Electoral District	Years and the Each Gazette Number and Date									
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	1469/10 30.10.2006	1514/6 11.09.2007	1569/20 03.10.2008	1621/18 30.09.2009	1674/5 05.11.2010	1715/4 18.07.2011	1771/2 13.08.2012	1796/7 06.02.2013	1853/3 10.03.2014	1898/6 19.01.2015
01 - Colombo	20	20	20	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
02 - Gampaha	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
03 - Kalutara	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
04 - Mahanuwara	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
05 - Matale	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8
07 - Galle	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
08 - Matara	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	8	7	8
09 - Hambantota	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
10 - Jaffna	9	9	9	9	10	6	6	6	6	7
11 - Vanni	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	5	6	6
12 - Batticaloa	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
13 - Digamadulla	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
14 - Trincomalee	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
15 - Kurunegala	15	15	15	15	15	16	16	16	15	15
16 - Puttalam	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
17 - Anuradhapura	8	8	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
18 - Polonnaruwa	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
19 - Badulla	8	8	8	8	8	9	9	8	9	8
20 - Moneragala	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	5
21 - Ratnapura	10	10	10	10	10	11	11	11	11	11
22 - Kegalle	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
TOTAL	196	196	196	196	196	196	196	196	196	196

Table III

Details of Polling Divisions and Polling Districts in Northern Province where house to house enumeration did not take place (Revision of Electoral Registers – 2015)

Electoral District	Polling Division	Total number of Polling Districts	Number of the Polling District where house to house enumeration was not conducted	Number of Polling Districts where house to house enumeration did not take place	Total number of Registered Votes in 2015
10 - Jaffna	C - Kankasanthurai	58	22	35 - 55, 57	32,980
	E - Kopai	60	2	04,05,	2,960
	K - Killinochchi	100	4	46,97,98,99	2,865
11 - Vanni	A - Mannar	74	1	55	452
Total		292	29		39,257

Table IV

Revision of Electoral Registers - 2015

Details of the number of appointments and participation of Political Party Representatives for enumeration of electors (Revision of Electoral Registers – 2015)

Electoral District	No of Polling Districts	Number of Representatives appointed by Recognized Political Parties																			
		Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi		United People's Freedom Alliance		United National Party		People's Liberation Front		Jana Satha Peramuna		Democratic Party		Maubima Janatha Pakshaya		Ceylon Worker's Congress		Lanka Sama Samaja Party		Sri Lanka Freedom Party	
		Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated	Number of Agents appointed	Number of Agents participated
01 - Colombo	1,063	-	-	-	-	688	89	326	32	5	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	28	5	469	35
02 - Gampaha	968	-	-	-	-	1,352	201	418	64	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	9	4	354	23
03 - Kalutara	540	-	-	179	30	614	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
04 - Mahanuwara	825	-	-	-	-	799	25	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	471	-
05 - Matale	324	-	-	-	-	422	75	76	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	296	123
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	423	-	-	-	-	543	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	212	16	-	-	549	73
07 - Galle	703	-	-	-	-	769	164	368	36	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	368	71
08 - Matara	444	-	-	-	-	369	70	184	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
09 - Hambantota	412	-	-	-	-	460	62	221	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	136	31
10 - Jaffna	626	95	95	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 - Vanni	338	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 - Batticaloa	362	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 - Digamadulla	512	-	-	-	-	348	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14 - Trincomalee	294	-	-	36	-	203	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - Kurunegala	925	-	-	-	-	1,117	380	86	12	-	-	86	10	4	-	-	-	-	-	1,076	159
16 - Puttalam	387	-	-	211	79	349	117	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17 - Anuradhapura	608	-	-	-	-	504	203	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	485	172
18 - Polonnaruwa	287	-	-	-	-	292	77	148	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19 - Badulla	522	-	-	271	39	434	94	174	22	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - Monaragala	351	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	37	5
21 - Ratnapura	626	-	-	-	-	628	310	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	325	199
22 - Kegalle	572	-	-	-	-	553	121	221	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	550	77
TOTAL	12,112	95	95	697	148	10,444	2,197	2,222	285	7	-	96	10	32	5	212	16	37	9	5,116	968

Table V

Submission of claims and objections under Section 14 of Registration of Electors Act No. 44 of 1980. (Revision of Electoral Registers – 2015)

Electoral District	Claims		Objections	
	Number of Claims Received	Number of Claims Allowed	Number of Objections Received	Number of Objections Upheld
01 - Colombo	22,407	15,181	207	63
02 - Gampaha	3,983	3,427	107	52
03 - Kalutara	10,088	2,889	46	21
04 - Mahanuwara	2,884	2,156	95	28
05 - Matale	1,767	1,340	22	13
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	1,270	986	18	3
07 - Galle	3,497	2,134	195	98
08 - Matara	2,745	2,064	51	8
09 - Hambantota	2,224	1,420	50	25
10 - Jaffna	581	510	-	-
11 - Vanni	2,367	1,164	-	-
12 - Batticaloa	1,117	728	32	16
13 - Digamadulla	850	662	8	2
14 - Trincomalee	667	368	-	-
15 - Kurunegala	3,109	2,535	26	18
16 - Puttalam	3,396	1,523	8	5
17 - Anuradhapura	1,680	1,072	26	17
18 - Polonnaruwa	1,319	875	18	6
19 - Badulla	2,968	1,981	73	38
20 - Moneragala	1,445	913	45	15
21 - Ratnapura	2,039	1,300	25	6
22 - Kegalle	2,293	1,269	59	9
TOTAL	74,696	46,497	1,111	443

Table VI

**Number of names in each Electoral District that have not been
registered due to multiple registration (Revision of Electoral Registers
– 2015)**

Electoral District	Number of names deleted
01 - Colombo	24,051
02 - Gampaha	18,115
03 - Kalutara	5,732
04 - Mahanuwara	7,980
05 - Matale	2,083
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	6,972
07 - Galle	4,651
08 - Matara	3,565
09 - Hambantota	2,468
10 - Jaffna	1,959
11 - Vanni	3,275
12 - Batticaloa	4,500
13 - Digamadulla	3,934
14 - Trincomalee	3,278
15 - Kurunegala	5,280
16 - Puttalam	6,526
17 - Anuradhapura	7,025
18 - Polonnaruwa	2,702
19 - Badulla	4,167
20 - Moneragala	3,232
21 - Ratnapura	4,794
22 - Kegalle	3,593
TOTAL	129,882

Table VII

**Number of persons who submitted details of their National Identity Cards
(Revision of Electoral Registers – 2015)**

Electoral District	Total Number of Electors	Number of Persons who submitted their National Identity Cards	Percentage %
01 - Colombo	1,640,946	1,600,564	97.54
02 - Gampaha	1,681,887	1,613,878	95.96
03 - Kalutara	919,375	885,894	96.36
04 - Mahanuwara	1,073,809	1,032,470	96.15
05 - Matale	387,025	370,615	95.76
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	548,971	516,189	94.03
07 - Galle	833,891	798,515	95.76
08 - Matara	634,918	592,088	93.25
09 - Hambantota	471,609	444,996	94.36
10 - Jaffna	539,641	487,431	90.33
11 - Vanni	263,201	243,353	92.46
12 - Batticaloa	375,906	353,931	94.15
13 - Digamadulla	478,006	454,326	95.05
14 - Trincomalee	264,368	250,890	94.90
15 - Kurunegala	1,290,723	1,224,048	94.83
16 - Puttalam	570,309	533,382	93.53
17 - Anuradhapura	653,151	602,016	92.17
18 - Polonnaruwa	314,365	291,878	92.85
19 - Badulla	636,047	603,147	94.83
20 - Moneragala	350,476	325,263	92.81
21 - Ratnapura	831,579	788,329	94.80
22 - Kegalle	661,002	625,639	94.65
Total	15,421,205	14,638,842	94.93

Table VIII

Comparative Statement of Percentage in Production of National Identity Cards by persons at the Revision of Electoral Registers in year 2006-2015

Electoral District	Percentage in Production of National Identity Cards by persons with respect to each year									
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
01 - Colombo	87.85	88.90	89.44	91.67	91.91	95.37	96.69	97.19	97.53	97.54
02 - Gampaha	83.51	85.56	88.64	89.14	89.63	94.72	95.52	95.39	95.51	95.96
03 - Kalutara	82.72	80.18	83.00	87.39	88.24	94.73	95.56	95.59	96.32	96.36
04 - Mahanuwara	83.00	90.23	88.88	93.19	93.97	94.72	95.85	95.56	97.25	96.15
05 - Matale	77.29	80.26	86.94	88.27	88.38	93.80	94.41	94.35	95.76	95.76
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	76.99	82.98	88.13	88.42	91.32	92.02	93.87	92.66	92.49	94.03
07 - Galle	81.12	85.93	88.24	89.01	88.56	93.33	95.17	95.18	95.37	95.76
08 - Matara	70.87	79.15	79.63	80.52	82.07	89.97	91.02	92.77	94.72	93.25
09 - Hambantota	76.17	83.42	87.42	87.38	90.56	93.08	93.48	94.42	95.33	94.36
10 - Jaffna	0.00	0.00	33.94	32.76	75.27	83.39	85.58	87.09	88.36	90.33
11 - Vanni	44.19	55.05	57.63	41.48	67.44	81.11	87.46	87.96	91.41	92.46
12 - Batticaloa	69.59	76.18	77.88	78.80	79.21	88.22	90.52	91.58	94.70	94.15
13 - Digamadulla	74.25	80.89	85.72	86.92	89.38	92.70	93.53	93.97	94.54	95.05
14 - Trincomalee	54.44	73.19	76.99	79.86	82.78	90.71	91.08	92.09	94.84	94.90
15 - Kurunegala	79.59	86.21	87.00	84.65	87.77	92.68	93.02	93.34	94.50	94.83
16 - Puttalam	76.44	83.91	84.17	88.50	88.13	90.06	93.05	92.42	94.09	93.53
17 - Anuradhapura	68.71	75.54	81.54	83.92	84.88	90.39	90.79	91.30	91.65	92.17
18 - Polonnaruwa	71.52	77.71	84.22	84.57	87.77	90.68	91.20	91.33	92.48	92.85
19 - Badulla	78.69	82.10	83.48	84.57	86.48	91.65	93.27	93.38	94.63	94.83
20 - Monaragala	63.86	73.97	79.34	81.79	82.09	89.37	90.37	91.33	91.78	92.81
21 - Ratnapura	75.83	81.80	86.00	86.27	87.70	91.85	93.09	94.02	94.48	94.80
22 - Kegalle	76.69	83.61	85.44	86.73	89.22	92.75	94.13	93.87	94.77	94.65
Total	74.06	80.32	82.71	83.24	87.67	92.36	93.60	93.86	94.79	94.93

Table IX

Details of number of electors whose names had to be deleted from the 2015 Electoral Register due to serving of prison terms under the Bribery Act and for offences committed at elections under the Elections Law and for other reasons

Number and name of the Electoral District	Number of Names deleted due to Bribery offences	Number of Names deleted due to violating of Election Laws	Number of Names deleted due to serving of Prison Terms on other grounds	Total number of Names deleted from the Electoral Register
17 - Anuradhapura	-	-	2	2

Table X

**Comparative statement showing the number of registered electors according to
Electoral Districts (Revision of Electoral Registers 2014 – 2015)**

Electoral District	Total Number of Electors - 2014	Total Number of Electors - 2015
01 - Colombo	1,586,598	1,640,946
02 - Gampaha	1,637,537	1,681,887
03 - Kalutara	897,349	919,375
04 - Mahanuwara	1,049,160	1,073,809
05 - Matale	379,675	387,025
06 - Nuwara-Eliya	534,150	548,971
07 - Galle	819,666	833,891
08 - Matara	623,818	634,918
09 - Hambantota	462,911	471,609
10 - Jaffna	529,239	539,641
11 - Vanni	253,058	263,201
12 - Batticaloa	365,167	375,906
13 - Digamadulla	465,757	478,006
14 - Trincomalee	256,852	264,368
15 - Kurunegala	1,266,443	1,290,723
16 - Puttalam	553,009	570,309
17 - Anuradhapura	636,733	653,151
18 - Polonnaruwa	307,125	314,365
19 - Badulla	620,486	636,047
20 - Moneragala	339,797	350,476
21 - Ratnapura	810,082	831,579
22 - Kegalle	649,878	661,002
Total	15,044,490	15,421,205

Table XI

Comparative statement of the registered number of electors according to the Polling Divisions (2006-2015)

Electoral District No. 01 - Colombo

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Colombo North	97,697	103,050	95,385	84,646	88,525	84,294	86,016	87,542	89,771	93,408
B	Colombo Central	154,304	151,308	139,822	135,771	137,214	129,648	128,920	130,186	131,482	133,539
C	Borella	63,635	63,884	58,757	57,397	59,727	56,177	56,100	57,373	60,109	63,002
D	Colombo East	70,259	72,446	68,643	66,126	66,866	65,258	66,014	66,572	66,941	68,603
E	Colombo West	41,590	41,441	38,921	39,070	40,753	38,179	38,597	39,625	40,609	42,448
F	Dehiwala	64,868	63,115	61,194	59,298	64,003	61,950	61,454	60,543	59,812	61,407
G	Ratmalana	67,905	67,817	66,622	66,370	68,900	66,176	66,143	65,626	66,793	69,712
H	Kolonnawa	112,202	114,105	112,363	111,951	114,648	113,919	115,064	118,098	120,617	126,882
I	Kotte	75,719	75,555	73,009	71,550	73,486	72,214	71,863	73,539	74,934	76,640
J	Kaduwela	156,727	159,596	158,736	159,980	163,949	162,287	163,316	168,043	173,355	179,178
K	Awissawella	105,305	107,093	108,138	108,965	111,159	111,751	112,827	115,098	117,472	120,369
L	Homagama	149,702	154,055	155,720	156,962	160,840	161,646	164,625	169,679	174,909	180,862
M	Maharagama	122,532	122,895	121,247	122,236	124,956	123,343	124,323	127,060	129,801	134,280
N	Kesbawa	145,875	149,191	148,696	149,981	153,670	153,368	155,873	160,493	164,774	171,325
O	Moratuwa	114,962	115,042	114,601	113,007	113,795	112,460	112,546	113,257	115,219	119,291
Total		1,543,282	1,560,593	1,521,854	1,503,310	1,542,491	1,512,670	1,523,681	1,552,734	1,586,598	1,640,946

Electoral District No. 02 - Gampaha

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Wattala	100,132	103,243	103,893	106,210	109,719	110,473	111,917	114,428	120,471	125,173
B	Negombo	93,435	94,871	96,028	97,931	100,283	100,211	101,256	103,115	106,213	109,112
C	Katana	122,592	125,510	127,421	129,654	133,064	134,438	136,431	139,658	143,885	148,608
D	Divulapitiya	97,224	98,572	99,742	101,185	102,840	103,522	104,658	106,431	108,529	110,484
E	Meerigama	111,792	113,421	114,566	115,629	117,554	118,430	119,820	121,853	124,679	126,995
F	Minuwangoda	116,797	119,350	120,860	122,125	124,651	125,627	127,569	129,885	132,981	136,025
G	Attanagalla	117,614	119,299	120,900	122,537	125,135	125,880	127,387	130,058	133,023	135,908
H	Gampaha	129,718	132,375	133,606	135,460	138,142	139,361	141,687	144,152	147,280	151,060
I	Ja-Ela	123,808	126,026	127,821	130,751	133,160	133,622	135,422	138,704	143,843	148,882
J	Mahara	129,785	132,781	134,581	136,686	139,512	140,093	141,796	144,717	149,453	153,765
K	Dompe	101,362	103,058	104,155	105,793	107,601	108,536	110,245	112,475	115,356	117,896
L	Biyagama	104,110	106,550	107,786	109,931	112,583	113,668	115,042	117,747	121,702	125,324
M	Kelaniya	82,310	83,239	83,105	83,922	85,319	84,507	84,455	86,853	90,122	92,655
Total		1,430,679	1,458,295	1,474,464	1,497,814	1,529,563	1,538,368	1,557,685	1,590,076	1,637,537	1,681,887

Electoral District No. 03 - Kalutara

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Panadura	103,857	105,194	105,569	107,372	109,615	109,514	110,436	112,555	114,828	118,253
B	Bandaragama	112,599	116,018	118,942	121,314	124,917	126,385	128,559	131,024	133,887	137,822
C	Horana	103,779	106,432	108,781	110,552	112,931	114,561	116,915	119,927	122,511	126,320
D	Bulathsinhala	73,899	74,111	74,991	76,084	77,750	78,953	79,868	81,045	82,123	83,756
E	Mathugama	95,920	97,739	99,737	100,841	102,859	104,046	105,205	107,114	108,996	111,177
F	Kalutara	104,467	105,661	106,878	108,854	111,362	112,307	113,872	116,212	117,931	120,381
G	Beruwala	101,899	103,273	104,363	106,646	109,535	110,623	112,209	114,791	117,033	119,864
H	Agalawatta	92,186	92,898	93,972	95,258	96,657	97,220	97,830	99,146	100,040	101,802
Total		788,606	801,326	813,233	826,921	845,626	853,609	864,894	881,814	897,349	919,375

Electoral District No. 04 - Mahanuwara

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Galagedara	51,841	52,169	52,553	52,612	53,372	53,282	53,484	53,816	54,214	54,856
B	Harispaththuwa	143,841	145,752	147,475	147,715	150,507	151,271	152,688	154,765	157,463	160,889
C	Pathadumbara	75,141	76,751	78,688	78,777	80,864	81,485	82,896	83,974	85,375	87,092
D	Udadumbara	54,578	54,923	55,629	55,796	56,357	56,635	57,334	58,056	58,637	59,794
E	Theldeniya	43,456	44,057	45,144	45,222	45,765	45,733	46,254	47,166	47,685	48,892
F	Kundasale	82,065	84,371	85,857	86,575	88,903	89,150	90,563	92,990	94,870	97,629
G	Hewaheta	63,324	64,133	65,176	65,411	66,594	66,832	67,710	68,298	69,243	70,854
H	Senkadagala	70,985	71,886	72,906	74,216	76,219	76,228	77,805	79,340	81,149	83,497
I	Mahanuwara	36,410	36,702	36,938	37,445	38,245	38,194	38,364	39,124	40,020	41,107
J	Yatinuwara	75,347	76,262	76,996	77,362	78,150	78,341	78,738	79,734	80,420	82,220
K	Udunuwara	74,722	75,994	76,812	76,994	78,548	79,206	79,945	81,023	82,298	84,328
L	Gampola	87,707	89,422	91,146	92,165	94,806	96,036	97,640	99,791	102,219	105,250
M	Nawalapitiya	81,506	82,686	85,136	86,499	89,477	90,100	91,894	93,903	95,567	97,401
Total		940,923	955,108	970,456	976,789	997,807	1,002,493	1,015,315	1,031,980	1,049,160	1,073,809

Electoral District No. 05 - Matale

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Dambulla	116,320	117,788	119,453	120,546	123,266	125,118	127,483	129,776	131,831	134,105
B	Laggala	63,229	64,147	64,696	65,208	66,402	67,125	68,234	69,126	70,323	71,625
C	Matale	73,856	74,839	75,154	75,652	78,091	79,337	80,854	82,717	84,225	85,946
D	Raththota	81,275	82,172	83,381	83,698	86,353	88,216	89,978	91,696	93,296	95,349
Total		334,680	338,946	342,684	345,104	354,112	359,796	366,549	373,315	379,675	387,025

Electoral District No. 06 - Nuwara-Eliya

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Nuwara-Eliya	245,458	245,527	247,069	253,103	264,167	268,982	284,684	294,421	302,836	312,531
B	Kotmale	67,527	68,967	70,730	71,585	73,805	73,860	75,297	76,106	78,068	80,252
C	Hanguranketha	64,721	65,209	65,969	67,076	67,907	68,335	69,128	69,981	71,053	72,143
D	Walapane	72,684	72,692	73,369	75,339	76,671	76,956	78,584	80,259	82,193	84,045
Total		450,390	452,395	457,137	467,103	482,550	488,133	507,693	520,767	534,150	548,971

Electoral District No. 07 - Galle

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Balapitiya	49,092	49,899	50,109	50,513	51,276	51,528	51,832	52,337	52,852	53,708
B	Ambalangoda	66,659	67,794	68,780	69,778	71,416	72,088	73,119	74,482	75,524	76,798
C	Karandeniya	65,659	66,238	67,025	68,012	69,500	70,314	70,912	71,647	72,572	74,040
D	Bentara-Elpitiya	83,760	84,252	84,772	85,287	86,370	86,882	87,808	88,704	89,500	90,826
E	Hiniduma	92,041	93,095	94,245	95,142	96,715	97,268	98,436	99,617	100,757	102,352
F	Baddegama	87,920	88,808	89,805	90,554	91,821	92,621	93,458	94,708	95,641	97,080
G	Rathgama	74,306	73,982	74,442	75,298	76,292	76,581	77,062	77,698	78,182	79,599
H	Galle	71,315	70,764	71,575	72,807	74,715	75,150	76,676	78,287	79,685	81,627
I	Akmeemana	81,754	82,902	84,872	86,383	88,400	89,321	90,877	92,414	94,175	95,874
J	Habaraduwa	74,684	75,438	76,190	76,796	78,025	78,454	79,052	79,988	80,778	81,987
Total		747,190	753,172	761,815	770,570	784,530	790,207	799,232	809,882	819,666	833,891

Electoral District No. 08 - Matara

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Deniyaya	84,754	85,860	86,311	87,379	89,088	90,235	91,118	93,486	97,610	99,895
B	Hakmana	84,202	85,040	85,686	86,662	87,726	88,109	88,469	89,780	91,791	93,355
C	Akuressa	86,822	87,147	87,510	88,208	89,405	90,150	90,857	91,920	93,769	95,226
D	Kamburupitiya	77,290	77,494	77,705	78,408	79,521	79,350	79,571	80,321	81,524	82,457
E	Devinuwara	73,887	74,396	74,601	75,075	75,950	76,080	76,424	77,314	78,690	79,870
F	Matara	81,041	80,074	80,334	81,096	82,675	82,168	82,541	84,662	86,984	88,660
G	Weligama	85,837	86,197	86,711	87,972	89,413	89,776	90,029	91,041	93,450	95,455
Total		573,833	576,208	578,858	584,800	593,778	595,868	599,009	608,524	623,818	634,918

Electoral District No. 09 - Hambantota

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Mulkirigala	91,437	92,385	93,685	94,957	96,573	97,147	98,073	99,219	100,711	102,268
B	Beliatta	73,632	73,906	74,470	75,258	76,128	76,330	76,717	77,414	78,234	79,020
C	Kegalle	105,814	107,579	109,409	111,202	113,630	114,961	116,505	118,213	120,148	122,348
D	Thissamaharamaya	137,357	140,242	143,622	147,219	151,871	153,622	156,982	160,552	163,818	167,973
Total		408,240	414,112	421,186	428,636	438,202	442,060	448,277	455,398	462,911	471,609

Electoral District No. 10 - Jaffna

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Kayts	52,982	53,175	53,111	55,033	21,459	20,949	21,548	21,763	22,057	22,571
B	Waddukkoddai	63,315	63,832	63,991	74,327	44,196	44,352	45,195	46,416	47,621	48,216
C	Kankasanthurai	67,798	68,215	69,082	78,146	67,898	61,706	61,196	62,371	63,217	63,936
D	Manipay	69,539	70,248	71,114	84,616	49,280	50,537	51,723	53,488	54,567	55,500
E	Kopay	64,391	65,342	65,798	77,389	50,653	51,583	53,616	54,844	55,891	56,935
F	Uduppidi	55,795	56,230	56,426	65,192	37,329	37,431	37,926	38,945	39,204	39,762
G	Point Pedro	47,855	48,119	48,613	52,851	33,511	33,399	35,054	35,686	36,138	36,822
H	Chawakachcheri	63,495	64,260	65,141	73,438	48,002	48,802	49,479	50,494	51,702	52,701
I	Nalloor	71,328	72,075	72,558	87,658	40,938	40,922	42,466	45,248	46,699	47,749
J	Jaffna	62,863	63,980	64,714	77,021	30,308	28,907	28,610	32,269	33,050	33,747
K	Kilinochchi	90,813	90,959	90,811	90,334	61,217	63,754	68,600	75,465	79,093	81,702
Total		710,174	716,435	721,359	816,005	484,791	482,342	495,413	516,989	529,239	539,641

Electoral District No. 11 - Vanni

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Mannar	82,488	83,962	85,322	86,501	68,989	67,862	75,737	79,366	79,433	83,224
B	Vavuniya	108,719	110,243	112,924	115,385	113,689	101,092	94,644	104,252	109,705	112,808
C	Mullaitivu	67,906	68,334	68,729	68,821	53,771	52,455	53,683	58,317	63,920	67,169
Total		259,113	262,539	266,975	270,707	236,449	221,409	224,064	241,935	253,058	263,201

Electoral District No. 12 - Batticaloa

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Kalkuda	94,359	95,794	97,135	97,703	99,955	100,616	100,878	102,970	105,056	108,625
B	Batticaloa	154,761	154,334	155,537	156,445	161,116	162,451	165,173	169,494	172,499	177,565
C	Paddiruppu	81,830	81,141	80,972	81,734	83,679	84,032	83,636	85,741	87,612	89,716
Total		330,950	331,269	333,644	335,882	344,750	347,099	349,687	358,205	365,167	375,906

Electoral District No. 13 - Digamadulla

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Ampara	142,170	143,648	145,479	146,835	150,993	153,079	155,761	158,827	161,999	166,870
B	Samanthurai	69,057	70,098	71,442	72,881	74,743	75,640	76,849	78,668	80,357	82,529
C	Kalmunai	64,316	65,198	66,135	66,971	68,198	68,239	68,955	69,971	71,254	72,735
D	Pothuvil	133,765	135,579	137,779	139,422	142,214	144,329	146,451	149,476	152,147	155,872
Total		409,308	414,523	420,835	426,109	436,148	441,287	448,016	456,942	465,757	478,006

Electoral District No. 14 - Trincomalee

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Seruwila	66,690	67,669	69,047	70,691	69,966	70,141	71,522	72,728	74,070	75,375
B	Trincomalee	91,598	88,404	86,685	87,069	87,555	85,852	84,425	85,535	86,978	89,547
C	Mutur	84,175	84,559	85,401	87,395	89,369	89,370	90,929	93,427	95,804	99,446
Total		242,463	240,632	241,133	245,155	246,890	245,363	246,876	251,690	256,852	264,368

Electoral District No. 15 - Kurunegala

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Galgamuwa	94,356	95,491	96,354	96,908	98,209	98,981	99,915	101,879	103,488	105,417
B	Nikaweratiya	86,151	87,102	87,897	88,754	90,304	91,048	92,046	93,520	94,910	96,771
C	Yapahuwa	103,460	104,554	105,779	106,803	108,425	109,191	110,317	112,036	113,858	116,036
D	Hiriyala	89,988	90,963	92,150	92,875	93,835	94,322	95,054	96,603	97,886	99,980
E	Wariyapola	70,502	71,255	71,905	72,405	73,405	73,977	74,823	75,820	76,817	78,137
F	Panduwasnuwara	69,058	69,672	70,131	70,587	70,966	71,344	71,622	73,115	74,100	75,401
G	Bingiriya	80,697	81,412	82,441	83,046	83,932	84,674	85,241	87,025	88,306	89,934
H	Katugampola	88,412	88,834	89,310	89,566	90,591	90,966	91,654	93,390	94,505	96,196
I	Kuliyapitiya	92,614	93,845	94,743	95,268	96,299	96,422	97,158	99,039	100,474	102,618
J	Dambadeniya	88,111	88,927	89,631	90,129	91,208	91,393	92,252	93,570	94,560	95,860
K	Polgahawela	71,785	72,413	73,283	73,837	74,597	75,017	75,656	76,506	77,321	78,623
L	Kurunegala	79,621	80,308	81,523	82,680	84,534	85,062	86,301	87,987	89,332	91,753
M	Mawathagama	80,576	81,646	82,656	83,758	85,696	86,351	87,559	89,265	90,682	92,688
N	Dodangaslanda	64,943	65,459	65,846	66,612	67,322	67,538	68,212	69,232	70,204	71,309
Total		1,160,274	1,171,881	1,183,649	1,193,228	1,209,323	1,216,286	1,227,810	1,248,987	1,266,443	1,290,723

Electoral District No. 16 - Puttalam

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Puttalam	99,049	100,637	102,643	103,897	107,720	111,943	115,165	120,546	125,702	132,374
B	Anamaduwā	99,133	100,470	101,696	102,696	104,546	105,771	107,886	110,658	112,978	116,171
C	Chillaw	106,189	107,331	108,244	109,066	110,426	111,670	113,388	115,896	118,171	120,939
D	Naththandiya	81,648	82,284	83,218	84,303	85,339	85,875	86,577	88,594	89,975	92,258
E	Wennappuwa	98,057	99,130	99,774	100,789	101,683	102,298	103,392	105,012	106,183	108,567
Total		484,076	489,852	495,575	500,751	509,714	517,557	526,408	540,706	553,009	570,309

Electoral District No. 17 - Anuradhapura

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Medawachchiya	74,283	74,962	75,683	76,180	77,235	78,545	79,798	80,540	81,996	84,532
B	Horowpathana	70,625	72,114	73,590	74,340	75,659	76,941	78,179	79,450	81,099	83,197
C	Anuradhapura East	84,674	86,208	88,157	89,311	91,051	92,376	94,447	95,879	97,576	100,541
D	Anuradhapura West	89,788	91,972	93,534	94,818	96,576	97,333	99,285	100,912	102,691	105,679
E	Kalawewa	110,704	113,350	115,275	116,878	119,040	120,545	122,269	123,257	125,162	127,728
F	Mihinthale	57,043	58,034	59,137	59,698	60,898	61,689	62,678	63,665	64,778	66,720
G	Kekirawa	71,296	72,777	73,885	74,709	77,815	79,079	80,247	82,037	83,431	84,754
Total		558,413	569,417	579,261	585,934	598,274	606,508	616,903	625,740	636,733	653,151

Electoral District No. 18 - Polonnaruwa

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Minneriya	74,882	76,120	77,084	77,993	79,150	80,050	81,214	82,507	83,395	85,218
B	Medirigiriya	71,104	72,128	72,402	73,468	74,640	75,069	75,945	76,884	77,505	79,488
C	Polonnaruwa	126,648	128,808	130,851	132,818	136,704	139,246	141,194	143,801	146,225	149,659
Total		272,634	277,056	280,337	284,279	290,494	294,365	298,353	303,192	307,125	314,365

Electoral District No. 19 - Badulla

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Mahiyanganaya	82,770	83,793	85,562	87,023	88,930	89,817	91,095	93,387	95,715	98,579
B	Viyaluwa	46,600	47,467	48,231	48,680	49,388	49,474	49,888	50,648	51,295	52,471
C	Passara	57,499	57,842	60,002	60,554	61,473	61,041	60,794	61,933	62,901	64,400
D	Badulla	49,410	50,177	51,468	52,622	52,908	52,574	52,912	54,327	55,185	56,438
E	Hali Ela	61,450	62,078	63,124	64,270	64,992	65,471	65,756	68,278	69,909	71,482
F	Uva Paranagama	57,481	58,267	59,472	59,745	60,426	60,542	60,980	61,925	62,689	63,831
G	Welimada	66,817	67,852	68,937	70,022	71,148	70,990	71,751	73,308	74,436	76,520
H	Bandarawela	74,191	75,397	77,312	78,272	79,697	79,576	80,351	82,025	83,147	85,325
I	Haputale	57,808	58,148	60,706	60,783	61,379	61,807	62,005	64,135	65,209	67,001
Total		554,026	561,021	574,814	581,971	590,341	591,292	595,532	609,966	620,486	636,047

Electoral District No. 20 - Moneragala

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Bibila	71,640	73,280	74,692	76,199	78,054	78,847	80,096	81,564	83,003	85,327
B	Moneragala	92,778	94,416	96,386	98,634	100,703	101,638	103,361	105,741	107,678	111,209
C	Wellawaya	124,232	127,065	129,564	133,397	136,695	139,072	141,885	145,459	149,116	153,940
Total		288,650	294,761	300,642	308,230	315,452	319,557	325,342	332,764	339,797	350,476

Electoral District No. 21 - Ratnapura

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Eheliyagoda	86,538	87,782	89,518	90,650	92,205	92,845	93,607	94,867	96,170	98,312
B	Ratnapura	104,319	105,475	108,122	110,050	113,018	114,426	116,667	119,011	121,108	123,974
C	Pelmadulla	71,091	73,056	75,685	76,793	78,327	79,253	80,979	82,414	83,934	86,746
D	Balangoda	91,970	93,468	96,855	98,407	100,447	101,506	103,244	104,792	106,575	109,420
E	Rakwana	89,272	90,894	92,891	94,272	95,738	97,049	98,788	100,524	102,618	105,704
F	Nivithigala	81,659	82,850	86,973	88,119	90,132	91,156	92,824	94,281	96,156	99,067
G	Kalawana	54,832	55,683	57,232	58,290	59,375	60,147	61,048	62,055	62,773	64,520
H	Kolonna	121,698	123,997	127,375	129,448	132,094	133,432	135,519	137,815	140,748	143,836
Total		701,379	713,205	734,651	746,029	761,336	769,814	782,676	795,759	810,082	831,579

Electoral District No. 22 - Kegalle

Letter and Names of Polling Division		Number of Electors in each Year									
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A	Dedigama	82,021	82,632	83,554	84,324	85,333	85,488	85,997	87,119	87,800	88,946
B	Galigamuwa	63,248	63,819	64,565	65,021	65,920	66,071	66,245	66,936	67,375	68,101
C	Kegalle	65,878	66,367	67,118	67,828	68,978	69,151	70,159	70,719	71,183	72,320
D	Rambukkana	61,014	61,546	62,325	62,800	63,419	63,667	64,112	64,829	65,337	66,432
E	Mawanella	80,674	81,844	83,066	84,195	85,907	86,606	87,640	89,437	90,627	92,362
F	Aranayaka	50,530	51,025	51,391	51,792	52,254	52,457	52,718	53,113	53,207	53,941
G	Yatinyanthota	67,911	68,793	69,964	70,632	71,589	71,991	72,624	73,626	74,244	75,739
H	Ruwanwella	68,214	69,082	70,448	71,222	72,154	72,128	72,460	73,069	73,498	75,083
I	Deraniyagala	59,945	60,518	61,507	62,276	64,115	64,422	64,883	65,955	66,607	68,078
Total		599,435	605,626	613,938	620,090	629,669	631,981	636,838	644,803	649,878	661,002

Table XII

Presidential Election - 2015
The list of names of candidates who handed over nominations

No	Name of Candidate	Party
1	Baththaramulle Seelarathana Thero	Jana Setha Peramuna
2	M.B.Theminimulla	Okkoma Wasiyo Okkoma Rajawaru Sanvidanaya
3	Pani Wijesiriwardane	Socialist Equality Party
4	Sirithunga Jayasooriya	United Socialist Party
5	Rajapaksha Percy Mahendra	United People's Freedom Alliance
6	Jayantha Kulathunga	Eksath Lanka Maha Sabha Party
7	Wimal Geeganage	Sri Lanka National Front
8	Palle Waththe Gamaralalage Maithripala Yapa Sirisena	New Democratic Front
9	I.M.Iliyas	Independent
10	Ibrahim Nisthar Mohomed Mifler	United Peace Front
11	Polgampala Ralalage Chaminda Anuruddha Polgampala	Independent
12	Duminda Nagamuwa	Frontline Socialist Party
13	A.S.P.Liyanage	Sri Lanka Labour Party
14	Sundaram Mahendran	Nawa Sama Samaja Party
15	Katugampala Appuhamilage Prasanna Priyankara	Democratic National Movement
16	Rajapaksha Arachchilage Namal Ajith Rajapaksha	Our National Front
17	Rathnayake Arachchige Sirisena	Patriotic National Front
18	Sarath Manamendra	Nawa Sihala Urumaya
19	Ruwanthilaka Peduruarachchi	Eksath Lanka Podujana Pakshaya

Table XIII

Presidential Election - 2015
Number of Votes Received by Candidates Under Each Electoral District

Name of the Candidate	Colombo	Gampaha	Kalutara	Mahanuwara	Matale	Nuwaraeliya	Galle	Matara
Maithripala Sirisena	725,073	669,007	349,404	466,994	145,928	272,605	293,994	212,435
Mahinda Rajapaksha	562,614	664,347	395,890	378,585	158,880	145,339	377,126	297,823
Arachchige Rathnayaka Sirisena	943	1,249	979	1,306	649	889	995	804
Namal Rajapaksha	716	1,033	808	1,204	500	846	755	662
Ibrahim Miflar	978	859	559	1,103	392	1,054	597	356
Panagoda Don Prince Soloman Anura Liyanage	1,007	872	605	1,028	394	1,191	498	448
Ruwanthilaka Peduru Arachchi	786	668	560	1,003	380	1,068	462	373
Aithurus Mohamed Illiyas	702	930	547	799	306	462	612	384
Duminda Nagamuwa	715	780	695	723	251	433	835	352
Sirithunga Jayasuriya	525	566	416	628	285	729	392	294
Sarath Manamendra	321	399	332	554	241	434	278	231
Pani Wijesiriwardane	346	281	210	318	97	291	190	133
Anuruddha Polgampala	274	257	171	328	152	349	193	138
Sundaram Mahendran	236	169	130	285	135	242	185	140
M.B. Themiminulla	214	216	178	312	119	271	169	129
Baththaramulle Seelarathana Thero	479	409	206	277	88	202	199	166
Prasanna Priyankara	181	192	121	182	87	152	143	107
Jayantha Kulathunge	124	122	93	163	81	99	98	93
Wimal Geeganage	126	140	80	116	57	110	90	82
No. of Registered Votes	1,586,598	1,637,537	897,349	1,049,160	379,675	534,150	819,666	623,818
No. of Valid Votes	1,296,360	1,342,496	751,984	855,908	309,022	426,766	677,811	515,150
No. of Rejected Votes	15,334	14,647	8,381	10,993	3,653	7,329	6,516	4,891
No. of Votes Polled	1,311,694	1,357,143	760,365	866,901	312,675	434,095	684,327	520,041

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Number of Votes Received by Candidates Under Each Electoral District

Name of the candidate	Hambantota	Jaffna	Vanni	Batticaloa	Digamadulla	Trincomalee	Kurunegala	Puttalam
Maithripala Sirisena	138,708	253,574	141,417	209,422	233,360	140,338	476,602	202,073
Mahinda Rajapaksha	243,295	74,454	34,377	41,631	121,027	52,111	556,868	197,751
Arachchige Rathnayaka Sirisena	734	978	358	522	446	263	1,374	579
Namal Rajapaksha	565	1,150	400	441	307	237	1,138	491
Ibrahim Miflar	376	1,620	563	698	356	327	839	437
Panagoda Don Prince Soloman Anura Liyanage	307	1,398	574	882	543	387	724	406
Ruwanthilaka Peduru Arachchi	301	942	453	641	438	341	637	339
Aithurus Mohamed Illiyas	322	978	356	323	187	169	682	380
Duminda Nagamuwa	267	610	191	306	234	270	465	306
Sirithunga Jayasuriya	242	975	300	258	197	214	457	270
Sarath Manamendra	253	677	235	370	169	164	441	148
Pani Wijesiriwardane	85	615	216	180	69	88	196	117
Anuruddha Polgampala	102	508	114	187	117	99	216	94
Sundaram Mahendran	105	623	218	238	92	89	181	85
M.B. Themnimulla	97	568	133	157	88	89	173	107
Baththaramulle Seelarathana Thero	116	329	72	89	57	52	228	69
Prasanna Priyankara	83	360	113	108	55	44	177	81
Jayantha Kulathunge	61	214	67	59	39	38	124	74
Wimal Geeganage	57	178	68	74	36	36	102	43
No. of Registered Votes	462,911	529,239	253,058	365,167	465,757	256,852	1,266,443	553,009
No. of Valid Votes	386,076	340,751	180,225	256,586	357,817	195,356	1,041,624	403,850
No. of Rejected Votes	3,351	10,038	3,416	2,580	2,625	1,805	9,285	4,300
No. of Votes Polled	389,427	350,789	183,641	259,166	360,442	197,161	1,050,909	408,150

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Number of Votes Received by Candidates Under Each Electoral District

Name of the candidate	Anuradhapura	Polonnaruwa	Badulla	Moneragala	Ratnapura	Kegalle	Total
							6,217,162
Maithripala Sirisena	238,407	147,974	249,524	105,276	292,514	252,533	51.28%
							5,768,090
Mahinda Rajapaksha	281,161	105,640	249,243	172,745	379,053	278,130	47.58%
							18,174
Arachchige Rathnayaka Sirisena	901	370	1,052	567	1,379	837	0.15%
							15,726
Namal Rajapaksha	685	292	1,052	508	1,217	719	0.13%
							14,379
Ibrahim Miflar	548	166	1,038	275	696	542	0.12%
							14,351
Panagoda Don Prince Solomon Anura Liyanage	469	257	748	223	787	603	0.12%
							12,436
Ruwanthilaka Peduru Arachchi	464	298	723	237	750	572	0.10%
							10,618
Aithurus Mohamed Illiyas	372	107	670	214	588	528	0.09%
							9,941
Duminda Nagamuwa	324	336	502	240	516	590	0.08%
							8,840
Sirithunga Jayasuriya	288	129	563	210	545	357	0.07%
							6,875
Sarath Manamendra	245	103	383	158	492	247	0.06%
							4,277
Pani Wijesiriwardane	104	43	244	43	230	181	0.04%
							4,260
Anuruddha Polgampala	129	59	261	77	245	190	0.04%
							4,047
Sundaram Mahendran	113	36	265	90	253	137	0.03%
							3,846
M.B. Themnimulla	86	53	249	65	206	167	0.03%
							3,750
Baththaramulle Seelarathana Thero	98	44	170	66	198	136	0.03%
							2,793
Prasanna Priyankara	76	40	153	51	165	122	0.02%
							2,061
Jayantha Kulathunge	105	27	124	43	120	93	0.02%
							1,826
Wimal Geeganage	58	22	106	28	130	87	0.02%
No. of Registered Votes	636,733	307,125	620,486	339,797	810,082	649,878	150,044,490
No. of Valid Votes	524,633	255,996	507,070	281,116	680,084	536,771	12,123,452
							98.85%
No. of Rejected Votes	4,500	1,790	7,871	3,449	7,656	6,515	140,925
							1.15%
No. of Votes Polled	529,133	257,786	514,941	284,565	687,740	543,286	12,264,377
							81.52%

Table XIV

Parliamentary Election - 2015
Number of votes and memberships received by contested political parties
who claim memberships

Electoral District	Names of political parties										
	United National Party		United Peoples Freedom Alliance		J.V.P		Ealam People's Democratic Party		Ilankai Thamil Arasu Kadchi		Sri Lanka Muslim Congress
01 - Colombo	640,743	(11)	474,063	(7)	81,391	(1)					
02 - Gampaha	577,004	(9)	549,958	(8)	87,880	(1)					
03 - Kalutara	310,234	(4)	338,801	(5)	38,475	(1)					
04 - Mahanuwara	440,761	(7)	309,152	(5)	30,669						
05 - Matale	138,241	(3)	126,315	(2)	10,947						
06 - Nuwara Eliya	228,920	(5)	147,348	(3)	5,590						
07 - Galle	265,180	(4)	312,518	(6)	37,778						
08 - Matara	186,675	(3)	250,505	(5)	35,270						
09 - Hambantota	130,433	(2)	196,980		36,527	(1)					
10 - Jaffna	20,025	(1)	17,309		247		30,232	(1)	207,577	(5)	
11 - Vanni	39,513	(1)	20,965		876		2,120		89,886	(4)	5,716
12 - Batticaloa	32,359	(1)	32,232		81		311		127,185	(3)	38,477 (1)
13 - Digamadulla	151,013	(4)	89,334		5,391		237		45,421	(1)	
14 - Trincomalee	83,638	(2)	38,463		2,556		581		45,894	(1)	
15 - Kurunegala	441,275	(7)	474,124		41,077						
16 - Puttalam	180,185	(5)	153,130		12,211						
17 - Anuradhapura	213,072	(4)	229,856		28,701						
18 - Polonnaruwa	118,845	(3)	103,172		13,497						
19 - Badulla	258,844	(5)	179,459		21,445						
20 - Moneragala	110,372	(2)	138,136		13,626						
21 - Ratnapura	284,117	(5)	323,636		21,525						
22 - Kegalle	247,467	(5)	227,208		18,394						
Total No of Votes	5,098,916		4,732,664		544,154		33,481		515,963		44,193
Number of Seats obtained under Electorates	93		83		4		1		14		1
Number of Members elected under the National List	13		12		2		-		2		-
Total Number of Seats obtained	106		95		6		1		16		1

* Number of Seats obtained by Political Parties under each electorate is given in brackets.

Table XV

The list of recognized political parties declared by the Commissioner of Elections on 25.02.2015 in terms of Section 7 (4) (B) of Parliamentary Elections

1	Akila Ilankai Tamil Congress
2	Akhila Ilankai Tamil Mahasabha
3	Our National Front
4	All Ceylon Makkal Congress
5	Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi
6	Eelavar Democratic Front
7	Eelam People's Democratic Party
8	Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front
9	United People's Freedom Alliance
10	United National Party
11	United Democratic Front
12	Democratic Unity Alliance
13	United People's Party
14	Eksath Lanka Podujana Pakshaya
15	Eksath Lanka Maha Sabha
16	United Socialist Party
17	United Peace Front
18	Okkoma Wasiyo Okkoma Rajawaru Sanvidhanaya
19	Up-Country People's Front
20	People's Liberation Front
21	Democratic Tamil National Alliance
22	Jana Setha Peramuna
23	National Congress
24	National People's Party
25	National Freedom Front
26	Jathika Sangwardhena Peramuna
27	Jathika Hela Urumaya
28	Nationalities Unity Organization
29	Tamil Makkal Viduthalai Pulikal
30	Patriotic National Front

- 31 Desha Vimukthi Janatha Pakshaya
- 32 Tamil Eelam Liberation Organization
- 33 Tamil United Liberation Front
- 34 New Democratic Front
- 35 Nawa Sama Samaja Party
- 36 Nawa Sihala Urumaya
- 37 Pathmanabha Eelam Revolutionary Liberation Front
- 38 Purawesi Peramuna
- 39 Frontline Socialist Party
- 40 People's Alliance Front
- 41 Democratic United National Front
- 42 Democratic People's Front
- 43 Democratic People's Liberation Front
- 44 Democratic National Movement
- 45 Democratic National Alliance
- 46 Democratic Party
- 47 Democratic Left Front
- 48 Maubima Janatha Pakshaya
- 49 Mahajana Eksath Peramuna
- 50 Muslim National Alliance
- 51 Ceylon Worker's Congress (P.Wing)
- 52 Lanka Sama Samaja Party
- 53 The Liberal Party
- 54 Sri Lanka Labour Party
- 55 Sri Lanka National Front
- 56 Sri Lanka Freedom Party
- 57 Sri Lanka Vanguard Party
- 58 Sri Lanka Progressive Front
- 59 Sri Lanka Mahajana Pakshaya
- 60 Sri Lanka Muslim Congress
- 61 Communist Party of Sri Lanka
- 62 Green Party Sri Lanka
- 63 Socialist Alliance
- 64 Socialist Equality Party

Table XVI

Filling of the Vacancies in the Membership of Parliament - 2015

Electoral District / Whether the vacancy filled under Article - 99 A of the Constitution	Name of the Member whose seat in the Parliament has fallen vacant	Political Party / Independent Group	Cause of the vacancy	Date of information of the vacancy from the Secretary General of the Parliament	Name of the member elected/ Action taken	Mode of Filling the vacancy	No. and Date of relevant Gazette
According to Electoral Districts	Neranan Wickramasinghe	United People's Freedom Alliance	Death	14.05.2015	R. D. Wimaladasa	Under Section 64(2) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981	1915/3 18.05.2015
According to Electoral Districts	Pallewaththa Gamaralalage Maithripala Sirisena	United People's Freedom Alliance	Resignation	12.01.2015	Jayasinghe Bandara	Under Section 64(2) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981	1897/12 16.01.2015
According to Electoral Districts	Don Arthur Chamara Sampath Dassanayaka	United People's Freedom Alliance	Resignation	14.09.2015	Laxman Pinthu Jayathilake Seneviratne	Under Section 64(2) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No.1 of 1981	1932/50 16.09.2015
Filling the Vacancies under Article 99(A) of the Constitution	Sarath Chandrasiri Mayadunne	People's Liberation Front	Resignation	04.09.2015	Bimal Niroshan Rathnayaka Weerakoon	Under Section 64(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No.1 of 1981	1932/5 14.09.2015

Table XVII

FILLING OF VACANCIES IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF PROVINCIAL COUNCILS - 2015

Provincial Council	Administrative District	Name of the Member whose seat in the Provincial Council became vacant	Political Party/ Independent Group	Date of Information from the Secretary to the Council	Reason for the Vacancy	Name of the member elected / Action taken	No.and Date of Relevant Gazette
Western	Colombo	K.D. Lal Kantha	People's Liberation Front	21.08.2015	Resignation	Rambukana Vidanapathirana Sarath	1931/3 07.09.2015
		M. Ganeshan	Democratic Peoples Front	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kurusami Kalankadi Thevar	1932/4 14.09.2015
		Hirunika Eranjali Premachandra	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kumara Sarath Sumanasekara	1932/55 17.09.2015
		Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Morris Wijerathne	1932/55 17.09.2015
		Mohomed Mujibur Rahuman	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Andara Costage Harisinghe Harischandra De Costa	1931/3 07.09.2015
		Saidulla Mustajab Marikkar	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Thuwan Aamith Mohamed Akram	1931/3 07.09.2015
	Gampaha	Prasanna Ranathunge	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	A.A.Kuruppu Achchiralalage Kamal Nayana Kantha Kuruppu	1932/55 17.09.2015

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Western	Gampaha	Antony Nimal Lansa Warnakulasooriya	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Wijesinghe Arachchige Pradeep Chandana Perera	1932/55 17.09.2015
		Arachchilage Kumara Sisira Jayakody	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Dolton Janaka Suriya Bandarage Innocent Don	1932/55 17.09.2015
		Harshana Supun Rajakaruna	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Asiri Rodrigo Bestiyan Koralage Randeer	1931/3 07.09.2015
		Edwerd Gunasekara Dehiwala Liyanage	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Ethige Sirikamal Felician De Silva	1931/3 07.09.2015
		Senadheerage Don Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Madampe Appuhamilage Manjula Prasanna Sampath	1931/3 07.09.2015
		Ananda Ranjith Roopasinghe	United People's Freedom Alliance	04.11.2015	Death	Mohammadu Saleem Sakaula	1940/24 12.11.2015
	Kalutara	Appuhamilage Nalinda Vajiramal Jayathissa	People's Liberation Front	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Athuldura Arachchige Nandana Pathmakumara	1932/6 14.09.2015
		De Silva Haduwa Meregngna Piyal Nishantha	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Thebuwana Piyananda Thero	1932/55 17.09.2015

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Central	Kandy	Abeykoon Mudiyansele Mahinda Abeykoon	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.07.2015	Nullification of the Membership	AN. D. Nimal Premawansa	1929/14
							26.08.2015
		Anuradha Jayarathne	United People's Freedom Alliance	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kamal Ajith Kumara Beligolla	1932/53
							16.09.2015
		Mayantha Yaswanth Dissanayaka	United National Party	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Abdul Muththalif Mohamed Thaha	1931/2
							07.09.2015
	Matale	Herath Mudiyansele Lucky Dissanayaka Jayawardhana	United National Party	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Sivasami Rajaratnam	1931/2
							07.09.2015
		M. Velu Kumar	United National Party	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Abdul Saththar Mohammed Hidayath	1931/2
							07.09.2015
		Aluwihare Ranjith	United National Party	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Herath Mudiyansele Thisa Bandara Herath	1931/2
							07.09.2015
	Nuwara - Eliya	Kaladugoda Kankanamge Piyadasa	United National Party	28.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Gawarammana Mapa Mudiyansele Piyasiri	1931/2
							07.09.2015

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Southern	Galle	Geetha Samanmalie Kumarasinghe	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kariyawasam Pethangodage Sisira Kumararathne	1932/56
							17.09.2015
		Bandula Lal Bandarigoda	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kananke Liyanage Sumanasiri	1931/24
							11.09.2015
		Bopagoda Hettiarachchige Wijepala	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Lokugamage Sanjeewa Gemunu Edwin Karunathilaka	1931/24
							11.09.2015
	Matara	Kanchana Vodatha Wijesekara	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Kankanamge Siribaddana Chandana Krishantha	1932/56
							17.09.2015
	Hambantota	Galappaththi Arachchige Nihal	People's Liberation Front	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Wahalathanthrige Sisira Kumara	1932/65
							18.09.2015
Northern	Jaffna	Tharmalingam Siththarthan	Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi	25.08.2015	Resignation	Kanapathippillai Tharumalingam	1932/6
							14.09.2015
		Angajan Ramanathan	United People's Freedom Alliance	10.09.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Agilathas Sivakkolunthu	1933/34
							24.09.2015

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Northern	Mullaitivu	Marykamala Gunaseelan	Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi	18.02.2015	Resignation	M.P. Nadaraj	1908/42
							02.04.2015
		Kanagasundaraswami Veerawahu	Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi	11.03.2015	Death	Kandiah Sivanesan	1912/33
							30.04.2015
		Sivapragasam Sivamohan	Ilankai Tamil Arasu Kadchi	25.08.2015	Resignation	Vallipuram Kamaleswaran	1932/6
							14.09.2015
Eastern	Batticaloa	Ameer Ali Shihabdeen	United People's Freedom Alliance	04.12.2014	Resignation	Ali Zahir Moulana Zeid	1898/37
							21.01.2015
		Ali Zahir Moulana Zeid	United People's Freedom Alliance	27.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Nagalinkam Thiraviyam	1932/53
							16.09.2015
	Ampara	Daya Dharmapala Kilittuwa Gamage	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Demuni Daya Meththananda De Silva	1931/5
							07.09.2015
		Dissanayake Wimalaweera	United People's Freedom Alliance	24.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Rathnayaka Mudiyansele Chandra Podi Menike	1932/53
							16.09.2015
		Ibrahim Mohamed Mohamed Mansoor	Sri Lanka Muslim Congress	24.08.2015	Resignation	Ibra Lebbe Mohamed Mahir	1932/49
							16.09.2015
		A.Ahamed Mohamed Jameel	Sri Lanka Muslim Congress	15.09.2015	Expulsion from the Party	Abdhul Razzak Kulanthai Maraikkar	1937/4
							19.10.2015

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Eastern	Trincomalee	Imraan Maharoof	United National Party	27.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Aruna Sirisena Pituwala Liyanage	1931/5 07.09.2015
North Western	Kurunegala	R.D. Wimaladasa	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.05.2015	Elected to the Parliament	A.A.Nimal Karunathilake	1916/27 28.05.2015
		Alawathuwala J.C.	United National Party	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Manjula C.R. Bandara	1931/26 12.09.2015
		Amarasena Indunil Thushara Girana Pathirannehelage	United National Party	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Al. M.S.Sahabdeen	1931/26 12.09.2015
		Dayasiri Jayasekara	United People's Freedom Alliance	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Ananda Chandralal	1932/53 16.09.2015
		Appuhamy Makavita Arachchige Don Hector Haijinus	United National Party	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Warnakulasooriya Jude Suresh Gamani Fernando	1931/26 12.09.2015
	Puttalam	Walimuni Mendis Abeysekara Priyanjith Hemantha Sisira Kumara	United National Party	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Inok Thushara Rankiri Pathirage	1931/26 12.09.2015
		Ashoka Priyantha Ranpata Dewage	United National Party	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Arawgoda Mudiyanseelage Dharmasiri	1931/26 12.09.2015

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North Western	Puttalam	Abaya Sanath Nishantha Perera	United People's Freedom Alliance	31.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Malraj Peiris	1932/53
							16.09.2015
North Central	Anuradhapura	Punchi Banda Dissanayaka	United People's Freedom Alliance	29.01.2015	Appointing as the Governor of North Central Province	Abdul Rahim Abdul Husain	1903/47
							26.02.2015
		Don Chandima Gamage	United National Party	24.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Anuradhanayaka K.	1934/39
							02.10.2015
	Polonnaruwa	Anura Sidney Jayarathna	United National Party	24.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Samarasinghe Arachchilage Janaka Priyantha Samarasinghe	1931/22
							10.09.2015
Uva	Badulla	Arthur Chamara Sampath Dasanayake Don	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Arthur Chamara Sampath Dassanayake Don	1932/6
							14.09.2015
		Vadivelu Sures	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Marakkala Hennadige Sumith	1932/53
							16.09.2015
		Harin Fernando	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Actions are being proceeded	
		Raveendra Samaraweera	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Actions are being proceeded	

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Uva	Moneragala	R.M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekara	United People's Freedom Alliance	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Chandana Weliwita Weliwita Vithanage Don	1932/53
							16.09.2015
		Jayasundara Mudiyanseelage Ananda Kumarasiri	United National Party	21.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Hewa Waduge Roy Kalinda	1931/22
							10.09.2015
Sabaragamuwa	Ratnapura	Ananda Jagath Kumara Palliyaguruge	United National Party	25.02.2015	Death	Ajith Kumara Meddagama	1906/2
							16.03.2015
		Thapassara Muhandiramlage Hasitha Samantha	United National Party	24.08.2015	Nullification of the membership	Basuriyage Ariyawansha	1934/39
							02.10.2015
		Abeysinghe Arachchilage Wijethunga	United National Party	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Karandana Lekamalage Rathnayaka	1931/4
							07.09.2015
		Ankumbura Arachchige Wijaya Kumara Vithanage	United National Party	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Panawalage Nimal Pathmasiri Wijenayaka	1931/4
							07.09.2015

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Sabaragamuwa	Kegalle	Thusitha Wijemanna	United National Party	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	M.V.D.Cyril Gunarathne Pallepola	1931/4
							07.09.2015
		Kasadoruge Sujith Sanjaya Perera	United National Party	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Galapitage Laxman Kodikara	1931/4
							07.09.2015
		Sandith Samarasinghe	United National Party	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Henaka Parana Arachchilage Upul Shyamal Bandara	1931/4
							07.09.2015
		H.R.Sarathie Dushmantha	United People's Freedom Alliance	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	Athula Handagama	1932/53
							16.09.2015
		Tharaka Ramanya Balasooriya	United People's Freedom Alliance	22.08.2015	Elected to the Parliament	A.Ajith Shyaminda	1932/53
							16.09.2015

Table XVIII

FILLING OF VACANCIES IN MUNICIPAL COUNCILS - 2015

Colombo District

Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Colombo Municipal Council	10.02.2015	Thiagaraja Nirosh	Member	D.P.F.	Resignation	Aananthan Murugaiah Thirubagara Kumar	26.03.2015
	06.05.2015	Nadil Dhushantha Malagoda	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the Party	Aluth Gedara Chaminda	10.06.2015
	31.08.2015	Kurusamy Kalangandi Thever	Member	D.P.F.	Resignation	Manjula Perumal	18.09.2015
Sri Jayawardhanapura Kotte Municipal Council	31.07.2015	Don Ranjan Ponnampereuma	Member	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Arachchige Rajika Lalitha Kodithuwakku	13.08.2015
Moratuwa Municipal Council	12.12.2015	Yon Mereggnage Chaminda Kumara Silva	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the Party	Athula Kernal Peiris	23.03.2015
	18.04.2015	Thennakoon Pathiranage Dilip Kumara	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Wedige Nimal Yasasiri Peiris	29.04.2015

Gampaha District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Negombo Municipal Council	12.11.2015	M.S.M.Sakawulla	Member	U.P.F.A.	Being elected as a member of the Western Province Provincial Council	Jayasinghe Arachchige Don Sanath Anil Prasanna	18.11.2015
	12.11.2015	M.S.M.Sakawulla	Deputy Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Being elected as a member of the Western Province Provincial Council	Dayan Lansa Moses Warnakulasooriya	18.11.2015
Gampaha Municipal Council	19.05.2015	Guruge Susantha Perera	Member	U.N.P.	Cessation of membership of the Political Party	Mudali Maheepala Appuhamillage Waruna Pradeep Maheepala	25.05.2015
Kandy District							
Kandy Municipal Council	01.06.2015	Neranjani Priyadarshana Wijayarathne	Member	U.N.P.	Resignation	Mohomed Muththalib Shiraj Hassan	14.07.2015
	19.11.2015	Sinniah Sivagnanam	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the Party	Thumbage Thribhuwana Keerthisinghe Dunuweera	15.12.2015
	19.11.2015	Thushantha Maheendra Rathwaththe	Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Sena Dissanayaka	14.12.2015
	19.11.2015	Thushantha Maheendra Rathwaththe	Member	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Actions are being proceeded	
	14.12.2015	Sena Dissanayaka	Deputy Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Deputy Mayor has been appointed as the Mayor	Asanka Punyajith Bandara Dodamwala	29.12.2015

Matale District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Matale Municipal Council	23.11.2015	Arachchige Thusith Roshan Mirisse	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council	Etipola Mapa Gunathilaka Mudiyanseelage Rohana Kumara	18.12.2015
Galle District							
Galle Municipal Council	08.05.2015	Alexender Methsiri De Silva	Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office	Actions are being proceeded	
	08.05.2015	Alexender Methsiri De Silva	Member	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office		
Matara District							
Matara Municipal Council	20.08.2015	Hadunge Sosindra Nandana	Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Deegoda Gamage Yasarathna	11.11.2015
	20.11.2015	Hadunge Sosindra Nandana	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council	Actions are being proceeded	
	11.11.2015	Deegoda Gamage Yasarathna	Deputy Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Deputy Mayor has been appointed as the Mayor	Kodippili Yakdehiyage Hareendra Ruwan Chinthaka	21.12.2015

Hambantota District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Hambantota Municipal Council	21.03.2015	Ayub Khan	Member	U.N.P.	Resignation	Baba Juhara Cassim	19.05.2015
Ampara District							
Kalmunai Municipal Council	25.07.2015	Arulnayagam Amirthalingam	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Kunjuththampi Ehamparam	08.10.2015
Badulla District							
Badulla Municipal Council	03.12.2015	Koku Hennadige Madusha Manoj De Silva	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council	Actions are being proceeded	
Ratnapura District							
Rathnapura Municipal Council	11.01.2015	Abeyratne Victor Kapil Wickramanath	Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Death	Godahena Kattadige Nilantha Roshan	03.03.2015
	11.01.2015	Abeyratne Victor Kapil Wickramanath	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Gangulwitiya Gamage Hemantha Sudesh Gamage	27.03.2015
	03.03.2015	Godahena Kattadige Nilantha Roshan	Deputy Mayor	U.P.F.A.	Deputy Mayor has been appointed as the Mayor	Jayasinghe Mudiyanseelage Chandradasa Jayasinghe	29.04.2015

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FILLING OF VACANCIES IN URBAN COUNCILS - 2015

Kalutara District

Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party/ Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Panadura Urban Council	26.12.2014	Chakrawarthige Jerad Riyensi Fernando	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Aryawansha Pathma Sri Munasinghe	18.02.2015
Galle District							
Hikkaduwa Urban Council	07.05.2015	Agampodi Chathura Akalanka De Silva	Member	U.N.P.	Resignation	The term of office of the Council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Batticaloa District							
Eravur Urban Council	20.01.2015	Ali Zahir Moulana Seyed	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Being elected as a member of the Eastern Province Provincial Council	Mohamed Ismail Mohamed Thasleem	27.03.2015
	20.01.2015	Ali Zahir Moulana Seyed	Member	U.P.F.A.	Being elected as a member of the Eastern Province Provincial Council	Meera Sahibu Mohamed Nasir	10.03.2015
	27.03.2015	Mohamed Ismail Mohamed Thasleem	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Meera Lebbe Rebupasam	01.04.2015
Kaththankudi Urban Council	03.09.2014	Abdul Leththeef Muhammadu Sabeel	Member	Ind.Group 1	Resignation	Muhammathu Abulhasan Muhammadu Mihar	23.01.2015

Puttalam District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party/ Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Puttalam Urban Council	10.09.2014	Mohamed Nizar Mohamed Nazmi	Member	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Mohamed Abubakkar Sadurdeen	27.01.2015
	16.01.2015	S.R.M.M.Muhusi	Member	Ind.Group 8	Resignation	Mohamed Rizwan Sabar	27.03.2015

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FILLING OF VACANCIES IN PRADESHIYA SABHA - 2015

Colombo District

Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Homagama Pradeshiya Sabha	18.05.2015	W.M.Ajith Premakumara	Member	J.V.P.	Expulsion from the party	Susith Samarawickrama Liyanage	24.06.2015
Gampaha District							
Wattala Pradeshiya Sabha	29.11.2014	Arachchige Nilantha Leshan Sanjeewa Senasinghe Senaratnae	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Paranawithanalage Surani Manjula	24.02.2015
	29.11.2014	Arachchige Nilantha Leshan Sanjeewa Senasinghe Senaratnae	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Bope Arachchilage Don Susil Nishantha	18.02.2015
	29.11.2014	Pulukkutti Arachchige Don Stanley Norbert	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Warnakula Suriyage Sanjeewa Nishantha Fernando	18.02.2015
Dompe Pradeshiya Sabha	04.03.2015	Abesinghe Mudiyanseelage Upali Ranjith Siriwardana	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Balasooriyage Samantha Indika Dayasundara	05.05.2015

Kalutara District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Bulathsinhala Pradeshiya Sabha	07.01.2014	Indika Hewage	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
	23.01.2015	Ahamad Jemaldeen Mohamad Badurdeen	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Kumbalakara Arachchige Premawardana	29.03.2015
Mathugama Pradeshiya Sabha	30.03.2015	Liyana Arachchige Gunasena Liyana Arachchi	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Don Roshan Manoj Priyantha Jayasinghe	27.04.2015
	27.04.2015	Don Roshan Manoj Priyantha Jayasinghe	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Dodangoda Pradeshiya Sabha	22.02.2015	Nanthulage Cyril Fernando	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Wilpathage Don Karunadhara	10.04.2015
Palindanuwara Pradeshiya Sabha	17.02.2015	Ranaweera Petikirige Bandupema	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Galpayage Don Trimal Sampath	29.03.2015
	17.02.2015	Ranaweera Petikirige Bandupema	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Death	Athula Priyantha Bellana	12.05.2015

Kandy District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Minipe Pradeshiya Sabha	20.03.2015	Bandaranayake Mudiyansele Shantha Sisira Kumara Bandaranayake	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	Samarakoon Mudiyansele Manoj Sanjeewa Samarakoon	24.04.2015
Kundasale Pradeshiya Sabha	20.03.2015	Anura Senavirathne Kumburegedara	Member	U.N.P.	Death	Weerasekara Mudiyansele Harsha Kumara Weerasekara	27.04.2015
Udawalatha Pradeshiya Sabha	17.03.2015	Periyasamy Mailwaganam	Member	U.C.P.F.	Expulsion from the party	Balakrishnan Sridar	17.04.2015
Pasbage Korale Pradeshiya Sabha	14.12.2012	Dewamunige Asanka Prabhath Silva	Member	U.C.P.F.	Expulsion from the party	Karuppaiah Pathmanathan	03.01.2015
Matale District							
Yatawatte Pradeshiya Sabha	31.12.2014	Mahammadu Subair Mahammadu Ibrahim	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	R.Ekanayake Wickramasinghe	12.03.2015
Ukuwela Pradeshiya Sabha	09.07.2015	Sudumal Paidage Jayantha Munaweera	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	The term of office of the council has ended on 31.07.2015	

Galle District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Rajgama Pradeshiya Sabha	23.03.2015	Agampodi Manoj Pushpakumara Mendis	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Death	Nimal Thommadura	27.04.2015
	23.03.2015	Agampodi Manoj Pushpakumara Mendis	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
	27.04.2015	Nimal Thommadura	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman		
Matara District							
Kirinda - Puhulwella Pradeshiya Sabha	23.03.2015	Wellappuli Arachchige Shanaka Janapriya	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Hambantota District							
Tangalle Pradeshiya Sabha	24.10.2015	Lalitha Rampola Wanigasekara	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Aruna Kumara Sandasiri Nilaweera	18.02.2015
Lunugamwehera Pradeshiya Sabha	26.11.2014	Nawimana Urapolage Samitha Chathuranga	Member	U.N.P.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Wije Kankanam Pathiranage Upul Nishantha	23.02.2015

Jaffna District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Delft Pradeshiya Sabha	21.02.2014	Sebasthi Pethuru Arulappu	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Mariyasebastiyampillai Amaladorin	27.01.2015
	16.03.2012	Kunaretnam Kunaseelan	Member	I.T.A.K.	Failing to make and subscribe an oath/ affirmation in terms of the Constitution	Arasareththinam Yoganathan	05.07.2015
	22.12.2014	Vayithilingam Sangarappillai	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failing to make and subscribe an oath/ affirmation in terms of the Constitution	Santhiyagappu Castona	05.07.2015
Walikamam South West Pradeshiya Sabha	17.10.2014	Kaurikanthan Kathiravelu	Member	I.T.A.K.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 31.07.2015	
	23.11.2014	Shanmugam Sivakumaaran	Chairman	I.T.A.K.	Death	Sinnathamby Mahenthiran	17.06.2015
	23.11.2014	Shanmugam Sivakumaaran	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	The term of office of the council has ended on 31.07.2015	
	17.06.2015	Sinnathamby Mahenthiran	Vice Chairman	I.T.A.K.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Arumugam Sinniah Kanesavel	27.07.2015
Walikamam South Pradeshiya Sabha	24.04.2015	Ramalingam Rasathurai	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Jeyarajah Kisanthan	10.06.2015
Walikamam East Pradeshiya Sabha	30.11.2014	Kandiah Thurairasa	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Seeniyar Kunarathnam	22.05.2015

Jaffna District (Continued)							
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Wadamarachchi South West Pradeshiya Sabha	11.04.2015	Aalvaapillai Mathiyarasan	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Ramachandran Sivachchanthiran	06.07.2015
Point Pedro Pradeshiya Sabha	20.02.2015	Thuraisami Mathiyalagan	Member	I.T.A.K.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	Nallathampi Rasariththinam	10.06.2015
Chawakachcheri Pradeshiya Sabha	15.08.2014	Vijayaratnam Edwin Daniel	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Thankarasa Srivengadesvaran	31.03.2015
Nallur Pradeshiya Sabha	12.01.2015	Thambimuthu Thuraimani	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Amirthanathan Niranchanathevi	03.06.2015
Kilinochchi District							
Pachchilaipalli Pradeshiya Sabha	26.01.2015	Krishnan Veerawaguthevar	Member	T.U.L.F.	Expulsion from the party	Arumugam Rajaratnam	30.03.2015
	26.01.2015	Subramaniam Suren	Member	T.U.L.F.	Expulsion from the party	Mariyampillai Jesuthasan	30.03.2015
	26.01.2015	Parnandu Dominique Anton	Member	T.U.L.F.	Expulsion from the party	Mailvaganam Kumaravelu	30.03.2015
	26.01.2015	Parnandu Dominique Anton	Chairman	T.U.L.F.	Expulsion from the party	Mailvaganam Kumaravelu	01.07.2015

Kilinochchi District (Continued)							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Punakari Pradeshiya Sabha	01.11.2013	Thillainathan Ananthawarnan	Member	T.U.L.F.	Resignation	Kasippillai Kulasegaram	21.07.2015
	26.01.2015	Ponnampalam Siriskantharasa	Member	T.U.L.F.	Expulsion from the party	Poobalasingam Tharmakulasingam	21.07.2015
Vavuniya District							
Vavuniya North Pradeshiya Sabha	27.02.2015	Ilaiyakutti Ketheeswaran	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Vavuniya South (Sinhala) Pradeshiya Sabha	03.12.2014	Gunathilakage Ariyawansha	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Gunapalage Sarath Madhu	20.03.2015
Mullaitive District							
Thunukkai Pradeshiya Sabha	31.08.2011	Thangarajah Sivakolundu	Member	P.P.	Failing to make and subscribe an oath/ affirmation	The term of office of the council has ended on 31.07.2015	

Ampara District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Dehiattakandiya Pradeshiya Sabha	27.04.2015	Elawelle Gedara Chinthaka Sumith Kumara	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Uhana Pradeshiya Sabha	17.02.2014	R.W.Ekanayake	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Navidanveli Pradeshiya Sabha	18.11.2014	Amaradasha Ananda	Vice Chairman	I.T.A.K.	Expulsion from the party	Arumugam Pillaiyanthamby	07.01.2015
	18.11.2014	Amaradasha Ananda	Member	I.T.A.K.	Expulsion from the party	Thiyagarasa Puwasanthan	07.01.2015
Lahugala Pradeshiya Sabha	28.04.2015	Ganethi Dayarathne	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
	28.04.2015	Ajith Thushantha Warnarathne Jayasuriya	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party		
Thirukkivil Pradeshiya Sabha	23.02.2015	Veluppillei Mahenthiran	Member	I.T.A.K.	Death	Somasundaram Pakkiyarasa	10.06.2015
Kurunegala District							
Kobeigane Pradeshiya Sabha	21.04.2014	Dissanayake Mudiyansele Rathnayake	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Mahawa Pradeshiya Sabha	12.03.2015	Anura Bandara Imihami Mudiyansele	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	Dissanayaka Mudiyansele Sarath Dissanayaka	12.05.2015

Kurunegala District (Continued)							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Kurunegala Pradeshiya Sabha	20.03.2015	Mohottalalage Thilina Dhanushka Ekanayake	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Pannala Pradeshiya Sabha	13.03.2014	Ranasinghe Arachchilage Thushara Sampath Ranasinghe	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
	11.12.2014	S.A.Piyasena	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Mohomed Samun Mohomed Safwan	10.03.2015
Puttalam District							
Chilaw Pradeshiya Sabha	26.01.2015	Jayaweera Wickramaratne Rankoth Pedige	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	The term of office of the council has ended on 31.07.2015	
Naththandiya Pradeshiya Sabha	10.03.2015	Asanka Warnakulasooriya Kattakuttige Sujana Fernando	Member	U.P.F.A.	Failure to attend in the meetings of the council for a period of three months without permission	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	

Anuradhapura District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Thalawa Pradeshiya Sabha	21.04.2015	Dissanayaka Mudiyanseelage Sarath Dissanayaka	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Polonnaruwa District							
Medirigiriya Pradeshiya Sabha	24.02.2015	Thebuwaththe Gamaralalage Ananda Sri Dharmasena	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office	Widana Arachchilage Padmasiri Hemachandra	21.04.2015
	21.04.2015	Widana Arachchilage Padmasiri Hemachandra	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Lankapura Pradeshiya Sabha	24.02.2015	Athmadale Aluthwaththe Gedara Manju Sri Aluthwaththa	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office	Suraweera Arachchige Bandula Samansiri	22.04.2015
Dimbulagala Pradeshiya Sabha	18.02.2015	Sinhalage Jagath Samarawickrama	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office	Pushpa Kumara Ranasinghe	16.03.2015
	18.02.2015	Sinhalage Jagath Samarawickrama	Member	U.P.F.A.	Removal of Office	Wasala Mudiyanseelage Wala Gedara Janaka Bandara	22.04.2015
	16.03.2015	Pushpa Kumara Ranasinghe	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	

Badulla District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Soranathota Pradeshiya Sabha	26.09.2014	Manamendra Patabendige Leelasena	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	Wijeratne Gamage Neel Premathilake	20.01.2015
	26.09.2014	Manamendra Patabendige Leelasena	Member	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	R.M.Kumarasekara	20.01.2015
	20.01.2015	Wijerathna Gamage Neel Premathilaka	Vice Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Vice Chairman has been appointed as Chairman	Balraman Vedaalam	01.04.2015
Bandarawela Pradeshiya Sabha	12.05.2015	Sachchidanandan Suren Kanna	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Ella Pradeshiya Sabha	12.05.2015	Arambagoda Lokugamage Bandula Karunarathna Perera	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
	12.05.2015	Basnayake Mudiyanseelage Udayajeewa Bandara	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party		
	12.05.2015	Sihabdeen Mohamad Nilam	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party		

Monaragala District							
Name of Council	Date of Vacancy	Name of Member who Vacated	Designation	Political Party /Ind. Group	Cause of Vacancy	Name of New Member declared elected	Date of Gazette Notification
Buththala Pradeshiya Sabha	23.09.2014	Wijesingha Herath Mudiyansele Dhamasena	Member	U.N.P.	Elected as a member of the UVA Province Provincial Council	Sandanayaka Mudiyansele Pemadasa	07.03.2015
Ratnapura District							
Imbulpe Pradeshiya Sabha	20.12.2013	Diyagama Ralalage Indra Gunathilaka	Chairman	U.P.F.A.	Resignation	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Embilipitiya Pradeshiya Sabha	12.05.2015	Matara Arachchige Jayaweera	Member	U.N.P.	Expulsion from the party	The term of office of the council has ended on 15.05.2015	
Kegalle District							
Warakapola Pradeshiya Sabha	16.03.2015	R.A.Kapila Senevirathne	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Udahawiyannalage Sanjaya Senevirathna	14.05.2015
Kegalle Pradeshiya Sabha	07.12.2014	Kudagoda Bopage Sarath Rupasena	Member	U.P.F.A.	Death	Kaluarachchillage Janaranjana Saman Kumara Kaluarachchi	17.03.2015

Table XXI

Details of officials of the Department of Elections who retired from Government Service during the Year 2015

Serial No.	Name of the Officer	Designation	Date of assuming duties of the Department of Elections	Office at the time of retirement	Date of retirement	Service Period						Date of first appointment
						Total period in the Government Service			Service period in the Department of Elections			
						Years	Months	Days	Years	Months	Days	
1	Mr. W. W. Mahinda Deshapriya	Election Commissioner	01.07.1983	Election Secretariat	06.06.2015	32	11	5	31	11	5	01.07.1982
2	Mr. A. M. M. Kabeer	P.M.A.S. (Supra)	01.02.2008	Kandy	07.09.2015	36	3	23	7	7	6	14.05.1979
3	Mrs. G. W. S. B. Samaradasa	P.M.A.S. 1	07.03.1977	Galle	23.08.2015	38	5	16	38	5	16	07.03.1977
4	Mr. J. M. A. Jayarathna	P.M.A.S. 1	08.03.1978	Moneragala	20.01.2015	36	10	12	36	10	12	08.03.1978
5	Mr. J. M. Karunaratne	P.M.A.S. 1	01.12.1989	Badulla	18.07.2015	34	11	17	25	7	17	01.08.1980
6	Mrs. R. G. P. R. Rajapaksha	P.M.A.S. 1	01.06.2006	Gampaha	23.01.2015	34	6	2	8	7	22	21.07.1980
7	Mr. K. K. T. Rathnayake	P.M.A.S. 1	01.02.2005	Kalutara	13.01.2015	34	5	16	9	11	12	28.07.1980
8	Mrs. A. D. Anulawathi	P.M.A.S. 1	15.06.1987	Ratnapura	16.05.2015	34	3	21	27	11	1	26.01.1981
9	Ms. H. V. C. Karunaratne	P.M.A.S. 11	03.02.2000	Galle	01.02.2015	21	9	0	14	11	26	01.05.1993
10	Mr. G. H. C. Aththanayaka	O. E. S. 1	15.07.1997	Galle	01.08.2015	18	0	17	18	0	17	15.07.1997
11	Mr. A. P. Jayasena	O. E. S. 1	19.08.1997	Ratnapura	02.05.2015	17	8	14	17	8	14	19.08.1997