



Performance Report

2018

Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division

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01. Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division

1.1. Vision

Prosperous Nation through a Sustainable Rural Economy

1.2. Mission

Livelihood development, development of livestock-farm products of high quality to match the local demand and promotion of prosperous, local producers capable of meeting the demands of the competition in the local and the international market successfully, aiming at raising the economic status of the rural population

1.3. Objectives of the Division

- ❖ Provide financial support required for implementing rural livelihood development projects for economically uplifting the rural people and promotion of rural infrastructure facilities of small entrepreneurship development
- ❖ Raise livestock of high productivity for development of the livestock sector, and offer requisite technical guidance and assistance in order to ensure the hygienic quality of food
- ❖ Propagate animal feed of quality with a view to raising a healthy animal population and ensure an efficient veterinary health service capable of prevention and control of diseases affecting animals
- ❖ Propagate optimal utilization of animal gene resources of superior quality obtainable from livestock, towards generating a high capacity of production, and develop indigenous animal species
- ❖ Encourage the relevant partners to market animal-based products, process and add value to them, in order to set up a systematic marketing network
- ❖ Provide incentives towards achievement of the targeted growth in the production of milk, while strengthening the local dairy farmer.

- ❖ Propagation of Scientific Breeding Methods for Proliferation of the animal population and quarantine activities

1.4. Role of the Division

This Ministry has been established as the Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Economy, Livestock Development, Irrigation & Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Development with the amendment of the Ministries. This Ministry which has been implemented currently as Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division had been implemented under the previous Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Development and Rural Economy upto 20th December 2018. The functions and responsibilities assigned to the previous Ministry of Rural Economy which was before said Ministry will be same furthermore of this Division and the role of this Ministry as follows;

- ❖ Formulation of policies, programmes and projects within the scope of work assigned to the Departments and Statutory Institutions operating under the Ministry, relevant to the subject of Rural Economy, and implementation, follow up and evaluation of projects
- ❖ Implementation of Rural Livelihood Development Projects
- ❖ Formulation of Regional Development and Rural Development Policies and Strategic Development Policies
- ❖ Development of Rural Infrastructure Facilities and Small Enterprises
- ❖ Provision of financial assistance for Rural Economic Activities
- ❖ Provision of necessary facilities for enhancement of livestock products
- ❖ Animal Welfare and the related activities
- ❖ Taking steps necessary for Promotion of Livestock-based Products, their Propagation and Development
- ❖ Expansion of the Research Division of the Livestock Sector utilizing modern technology and taking measures for qualitative and quantitative development of products, based on the research findings

- ❖ Propagation of Scientific Breeding Methods for proliferation of the animal population and quarantine activities

The above functions assigned to this Division are implemented under 04 main Thrust Areas.

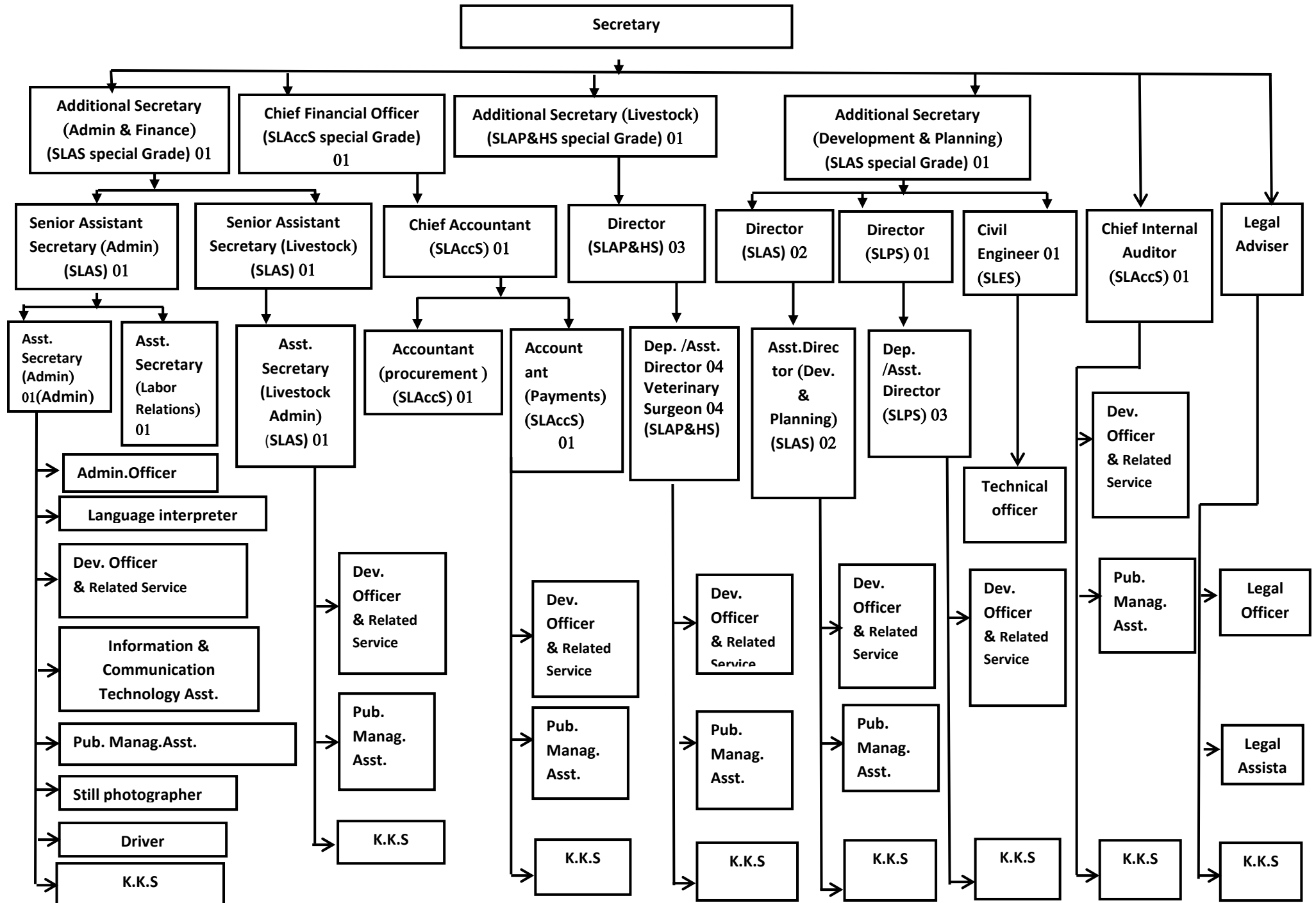
- ❖ Development of rural livelihoods for economic upliftment of the rural people
- ❖ Fulfillment of the local demand through the development of high quality livestock products
- ❖ Regularization of the market by setting up a systematic marketing network for marketing, processing and value addition of livestock products
- ❖ Producing local manufacturers capable of facing the competition within the local and the international markets, through co-ordination of purchase, storage and marketing of agro-products

1.5 Institutions which are under the purview of the Division

The institutions operating under this Division for efficient execution of the functions assigned to it are as follows.

1. Department of Animal Production and Health
2. National Livestock Development Board
3. Milco (Private) Limited
4. Mahaweli Livestock Enterprises Limited
5. Sri Lanka Poultry Development Private Limited
6. Dedicated Economic Centres

02. Organization Structure



03. Human Resources Management

3.1. Composition of the Staff

There is not an approved new cadre with establishment of new Ministries. Previous cadre which was approved during the period of previous Ministry of Rural Economy is considered further more as the cadre of this Division.

Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division –Approved Cadre

S/N	Post	Service	Class Grade	Salary Code	Appd. Cadre	Staff as at 31.12.2018
1.	Secretary			SL 4 -2016	01	Sec of M.A....
2.	Additional Secretary	SLAS	Special	SL 3 - 2016	02	02
3.	Additional Secretary	SLAP&HS	Special	SL 3 - 2016	01	01 (Actg)
4.	Chief Financial Officer	SLAccS	Special	SL 3 - 2016	01	01 (Actg)
5.	Senior Assistant Secretary	SLAS	I	SL 1 - 2016	02	02
6.	Chief Accountant	SLAccS	I	SL 1 - 2016	01	00
7.	Chief Internal Auditor	SLAccS	I	SL 1 - 2016	01	00
8.	Director	SLAS	I	SL 1 - 2016	02	02
9.	Director (Planning)	SLPS	I	SL 1 - 2016	01	01
10.	Director	SLAP&HS	I	SL 1 - 2016	03	-
11.	Deputy/ Assistant Director (Planning)	SLPS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	03	02
12.	Deputy/ Assistant Director	SLAS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	02	01
13.	Deputy/ Assistant Director	SLAP&HS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	04	03
14.	Veterinary Surgeon	SLAP&HS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	04	04
15.	Accountant	SLPS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	02	01
16.	Assistant Secretary	SLAS	II/III	SL 1 - 2016	02	01
17.	Civil Engineer	SLES	I /II/III	SL 1 - 2016	01	00
18.	Legal Adviser	Departmental	-	SL 1 - 2016	01#	01
19.	Legal Officer	Departmental	-	SL 1 - 2016	01	01
20.	Coordinating Secretary to the Secretary	Temporary	-	Rs..22,250/- P.AC.06/200 6 (i)	01	00
21.	Administrative Officer	PMAS	Supra	MN 7–2016	01	00
22.	Translator	Translator Service	I/ II	MN 6–2016	02	02
23.	Development Officer	Development Officer Service	I /II/III	MN 4–2016	530	519

24.	Development Assistant	Related Service	I /II/III	MN 4–2016	05*	05
25.	Program Assistant	Related Service	I /II/III	MN 4–2016	01*	01
26.	Investigation Assistant	Related Service	I /II/III	MN 4–2016	01*	01
27.	Legal Assistant	Related Service	I /II/III	MN 4–2016	01	00
28.	Technical officer	SLTS	I /II/III	MN3– 2016	02	00
29.	Information Technology Assistant	SLI&CTS	Class 3 I/II/III	MT 1– 2016	01	01
30.	Still Photographer	Departmental		MT 3– 2016	01#	01
31.	Still Photographer	Temporary	-	MT 1– 2016	01	00
32.	Video Cameraman	Temporary	-	MT 1– 2016	01	00
33.	Public Management Assistant	PMAS	I /II/III	MN 2–2016	32	34
34.	Driver	Driver Service	Special I /II/III	PL 3– 2016	30	22
35.	Video Camera Assistant	Temporary	-	PL 1– 2016	01	00
36.	Posts in the Office Employee Service	OES	Special I /II/III	PL 1– 2016	20	17
Total					666	626

- ❖ Posts marked as * are posts which have been approved subjected to absorption into Development Officers’ Service. As the officers who were borne the posts of related Services marked as *were absorbed to the Development officers’ Service, said approved posts have been suppressed.
- ❖ 76 posts out of approved posts of Development officers’ Service have been suppressed on the approved of Management Services department.
- ❖ Posts marked as # are posts which have been approved personal to the person who is holding the post. According ; this post will be abolished officer a promotion to an another post, retirement, resignation or death of the holder of the posts.

3.2. Transfers, Establishment Activities

Serial No.	Description	Numbers Finalised
1.	Recruitment -Personal staff of Hon. Minister/Deputy Minister – Tempararory -Peramemt Staff	38 08
2.	Promotions	04
3.	Retirements	08
4.	Transfer – Transfer from this place - Transfer to this place	34 06

3.3. Human Resource Development

Providing local and foreign training opportunities by the Ministry in order to improve knowledge, attitudes and skills of the officers.

	Name of officers who participate for the trainings	Number of Training Programmes
Foreign Trainings	18	16
Local Trainings	37	17

3.4. Awarding Loans

The loan amount granted to the officers of the Ministry within year 2018 is Rs. 24,684,217.00

Serial No.	Types of Loan	2018		
		Number of Request	Number of Finalised	Value Rs.
01.	Distress Loan	161	161	Rs. 24,684,217/=

04.Vehicles

4.1. Used vehicles owned by the Ministry at the end of 2018

	Jeeps	Motor Car	Cabs	Defender Jeeps	Vans	Motor bikes
01.	CAA - 0024	KY – 4046	PD-2955	CAH-1634	NB-3395	XU -7010
02.	KW -9982	KO – 5114	PF-6980		251-0747	BBT-5614
03.	KX - 8136	KQ – 9375	PE-0010			TT -2974
04.	CAB - 6799	KX – 8612	PF-5883			
05.	KQ - 8444	KQ – 7500	PF-5884			
06.	KT - 8467	KX – 7664	PG-4008			
07.	CAU - 3194	KX – 7037	PG-2659			
08.	KY - 5292	KQ – 6416	JY-2948			
09.	CAF - 4619	KO – 4865	PA-1440			
10.	KX - 8135	KB – 8264	PA-1438			
11.	GF - 9312	KD – 0743	PF-6976			
12.	GF - 9288	KD – 0737	PD-8931			
13.	KO - 0024	JO – 6958	252-9655			
14.	64 - 3179	KP – 4164	PG - 1773			
15.	65 - 4043		PF - 8209			
16.	KA - 6702					
	16	14	15	01	02	03

The number of vehicles used by the Division is 50 at the end of the year 2018. Vehicle bearing No. 64 – 3179 has been removed from running. Therefore it has not been entered. Vehicle bearing No. CAA – 0024 is used by the Ministry of Labour Relations, Vocational Training and social Empowerment. Its ownership has not been assigned. Vehicle bearing No. KO – 0024 has been transferred to the National Livestock Development Board and its ownership has not been assigned too. Therefore said vehicles have been entered.

05. Legal Affairs

Particulars on legal affairs

Schedule of year 2018

Court	Number of cases remained as at 01.01.2018	Number of cases filed within year 2018	Number of concluded cases	Balance number of cases as at 31.12.2018
Labour Tribunal - Embilipitiya	01	-	01	-
Magistrate Court- Embilipitiya	01	-	-	01
Labour Tribunal - Rathnapura	01	-	01	-
Magistrate Court- Homagama	01	02	01	02
District Court - Matale	01	-	-	01
District Court Dambulla	02	01	02	01
District Court Colombo	02	01	02	01
Court of Appeal	01	-	01	-
Supreme Court	03	01	02	02
District Court Anuradhapura	01	-	01	-
District Court Colombo	-	02	01	01
Magistrate Court Polgahawela	-	01	-	01

06. Financial Management

6.1. Recurrent and Capital Expenditure - 2018

Head : 154 -Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division

01 – Monitoring Programme

01 – Minister's Office

Recurrent Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
0	1001	11	Salaries and emoluments	12,000,000.00	8,481,809.00	3,518,191.00
0	1002	11	Over time and holiday pay	3,800,000.00	2,352,888.00	1,447,112.00
0	1003	11	Other allowances	6,000,000.00	3,648,389.00	2,351,611.00
0	1101	11	Local - Travelling expenses	1,150,000.00	1,063,115.00	86,885.00
0	1102	11	Foreign – Travelling expenses	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
0	1201	11	Stationary and office requirements	1,500,000.00	643,159.00	856,841.00
0	1202	11	Fuel	6,930,000.00	5,022,576.00	1,907,424.00
0	1203	11	Refreshments and uniforms	100,000.00	99,980.00	20.00
0	1301	11	Vehicles	7,000,000.00	6,988,705.00	11,295.00
0	1302	11	Machines and equipment	1,000,000.00	135,753.00	864,247.00
0	1303	11	Buildings and constructions	500,000.00	-	500,000.00
0	1401	11	Transport	2,000,000.00	434,457.00	1,565,543.00
0	1402	11	Post and communication	2,600,000.00	1,464,053.00	1,135,947.00
0	1403	11	Electricity and water	2,170,000.00	2,140,409.00	29,591.00
0	1409	11	Other	1,950,000.00	1,948,388.00	1,612.00
				50,700,000.00	36,423,681.00	14,276,319.00

Capital Expenditure

0	2001	11	Buildings and constructions	1,500,000.00	1,000,000.00	500,000.00
0	2002	11	Machines and equipment	500,000.00	-	500,000.00
0	2003	11	Vehicles	3,000,000.00	1,752,490.00	1,247,510.00
0	2102	11	Furniture and office equipment	3,500,000.00	873,990.00	2,626,010.00
0	2103	11	Machines and equipment	2,000,000.00	129,480.00	1,870,520.00
				10,500,000.00	3,755,960.00	6,744,040.00

Head : 154 - Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division
01 - Monitoring Programme
02 – Administrative service and Establishment

Recurrent Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
0	1001	11	Salaries and emoluments	106,000,000.00	93,889,848.00	12,110,152.00
0	1002	11	Over time and holiday pay	4,100,000.00	3,868,181.00	231,819.00
0	1003	11	Other allowances	50,000,000.00	41,565,697.00	8,434,303.00
0	1101	11	Local - Travelling expenses	900,000.00	773,031.00	126,969.00
0	1102	11	Foreign – Travelling expenses	1,500,000.00	1,322,830.00	177,170.00
0	1201	11	Stationary and office requirements	3,765,000.00	3,700,598.00	64,402.00
0	1202	11	Fuel	4,500,000.00	4,498,869.00	1,131.00
0	1203	11	Refreshments and uniforms	160,000.00	123,500.00	36,500.00
0	1301	11	Vehicles	7,500,000.00	7,490,901.00	9,099.00
0	1302	11	Machines and equipment	550,000.00	505,604.00	44,396.00
0	1303	11	Buildings and constructions	35,000.00	14,125.00	20,875.00
0	1401	11	Transport	2,950,000.00	2,911,133.00	38,867.00
0	1402	11	Post and communication	3,600,000.00	3,444,953.00	155,047.00
0	1403	11	Electricity and water	6,000,000.00	6,000,000.00	-
0	1404	11	Rental and taxes of the local government institutions	115,000,000.00	15,628,577.00	99,371,423.00
0	1409	11	Other	3,200,000.00	3,199,002.00	998.00
0	1506	11	Property loan interest for the public employees	900,000.00	900,000.00	-
0	1703	11	Implementation of official languages policy	200,000.00	46,800.00	153,200.00
				310,860,000.00	189,883,649.00	120,976,351.00

Capital Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
	2001	11	Buildings and constructions	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	-
	2002	11	Machines and equipment	1,000,000.00	-	1,000,000.00
	2003	11	Vehicles	2,000,000.00	-	2,000,000.00
	2102	11	Furniture and office equipment	2,000,000.00	1,314,276.00	685,724.00
	2103	11	Machines and equipment	2,000,000.00	952,520.00	1,047,480.00
	2401	11	Trainings of the staff	4,000,000.00	1,963,028.00	2,036,972.00
				13,000,000.00	6,229,824.00	6,770,176.00

Head : 154 - Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division
 02 -Development Programme
 03 -Development Projects

Capital Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
1	2506	11	Establishment of Economic Centres	28,170,000.00	27,538,181.00	631,819.00
3	2506	11	Development of traditional handicraft villages	25,000,000.00	24,241,782.00	758,218.00
4	2506	11	Development of pottery villages	5,000,000.00	4,567,448.00	432,552.00
8	2506	11	Kithul development project	16,350,000.00	12,926,732.00	3,423,268.00
9	2506	11	Programme of promoting rural economy	670,520,000.00	621,591,506.00	48,928,494.00
10	2506	11	Establishment of economic centers - Vauniya, Batticaloa	128,068,200.00	127,855,491.00	212,709.00
11	2506	11	Constrution of two coolers	2,871,800.00	1,252,441.00	1,619,359.00
				875,980,000.00	819,973,581.00	56,006,419.00

Head : 154 -Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division
 02 - Development Programme
 05 -Livestock Development

Recurrent Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
0	1001	11	Salaries and emoluments	120,739,510.00	112,190,983.00	8,548,527.00
0	1002	11	Over time and holiday pay	2,050,000.00	1,996,194.00	53,806.00
0	1003	11	Other allowances	48,260,490.00	48,260,488.00	2.00
0	1101	11	Local - Travelling expenses	1,450,000.00	1,408,236.00	41,764.00
0	1102	11	Foreign – Travelling expenses	1,500,000.00	1,359,270.00	140,730.00
0	1201	11	Stationary and office requirements	800,000.00	470,203.00	329,797.00
0	1202	11	Fuel	2,680,000.00	2,420,198.00	259,802.00
0	1203	11	Refreshments and uniforms	50,000.00	50,000.00	-
0	1301	11	Vehicles	3,400,000.00	3,341,404.00	58,596.00
0	1302	11	Machines and equipment	500,000.00	279,979.00	220,021.00
0	1303	11	Buildings and constructions	220,000.00	-	220,000.00
0	1401	11	Transport	1,000,000.00	997,331.00	2,669.00
0	1402	11	Post and communication	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
0	1403	11	Electricity and water	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
0	1409	11	Other	1,000,000.00	762,979.00	237,021.00
0	1506	11	Property loan interest for the public employees	700,000.00	374,858.00	325,142.00
				186,350,000.00	175,912,123.00	10,437,877.00

Head : 154 -Rural Economy and Livestock Development Division
02 - Development Programme
05 -Livestock Development

Capital Expenditure

Sub Project	Vote Head	Financing	Description of the item	Net Provision Rs	Expenditure as at 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
	2001	11	Buildings and constructions	13,000,000.00	9,869,642.00	3,130,358.00
	2002	11	Machines and equipment	500,000.00	-	500,000.00
	2003	11	Vehicles	1,500,000.00	-	1,500,000.00
	2102	11	Furniture and office equipment	2,500,000.00	160,127.00	2,339,873.00
	2103	11	Machines and equipment	1,000,000.00	-	1,000,000.00
	2401	11	Trainings of the staff	2,000,000.00	238,612.00	1,761,388.00
3	2506	11	Popularizing the consumption of fresh milk	46,310,000.00	25,575,333.00	20,734,667.00
4	2507	11	Establishing breeding farms	40,060,000.00	15,459,528.00	24,600,472.00
14	2506	11	Mid Term Livestock Development Programme	50,940,000.00	25,596,126.00	25,343,874.00
19	2506	11	Project of developing small and middle scale poultry farms	15,790,000.00	11,491,349.00	4,298,651.00
23	2506	11	Development of swine industry	10,650,000.00	7,895,648.00	2,754,352.00
		12	Establishment of a Dairy Processing Plant at Badalgama	2,000,000,000.00	1,414,599,082.00	585,400,918.00
29	2507	17	(Sri Lanka/Denmark)	375,000,000.00	374,334,497.00	665,503.00
31	2509	11	National food production programme	107,800,000.00	78,720,552.00	29,079,448.00
32	2507	11	Increasing the production of curd through the improvement of genes of the buffalo population in Sri Lanka	470,000.00	467,500.00	2,500.00
33	2506	17	Importing 20,000 dairy cows	160,000,000.00	19,379,300.00	140,620,700.00
		12	Development of Co-operative Societies of small scale dairy producers	900,000,000.00	1,129.00	899,998,871.00
34	2506	17		121,000,000.00	8,200.00	120,991,800.00
				3,848,520,000.00	1,983,796,625.00	1,864,723,375.00

Received Capital Expenditure

Type of Expenditure	Net Provision Rs.	Expenditure on 31.12.2018 Rs.	Balance Rs.
Recurrent Expenditure	547,910,000.00	402,219,456.00	145,690,543.00
Capital Expenditure	4,748,000,000.00	2,813,755,990.00	1,934,244,010.00
Total	5,295,910,000.00	3,215,975,446.00	2,079,934,553.00

6.2 Particulars of Audit Inquiries

Description	Number Received	Number Answered
Auditor General's Audit Inquiries	24	24
Internal Audit Inquiries	04	04

07. Internal Audit Division

Progress

An Audit Plan has been prepared for this Ministry and the Institutions under this Ministry for the year 2018 and following queries and investigations have been done on the matters under that scope and other matters.

Matter	Number
Number of Audit Management Committee meetings held in year 2018	04
Number of quarterly reports audited and submitted covering the progress of all the divisions of the Division	04
Number of investigations carried out on the matters of the Ministry and the institutions under the Division	05
Number of internal audit queries submitted with the suggestions for the improvement of efficiency and productivity of the finance, human resources and development activities of the Division	11
Number of field audit investigations carried out on the activities of the Ministry and the institutions under the Division	07

08. Performance Progress

The tasks of this Division are carried out in relation to the development of the livelihood of the rural population, meeting the domestic demand by improving livestock resources, creating a sales network for livestock productions, purchase of agri products, storing and product marketing coordination and implementing in local and international markets and the Ministry has made maximum contribution to the progress of these activities by meeting the targets.

Livestock plays an important role in the local economy due to its contribution towards food security and livelihood. Around one million families are engaged in this sector and the majority represents the rural sector. The Ministry has planned and implemented various programmes and projects related to livestock with the aims of presenting high quality livestock produce to the market, meeting the local demand and limiting the foreign currency spent on the import of livestock produces.

Further, prevention of animal diseases, providing technical leadership towards the research and development activities, providing expertise to the animal breeding activities are few of the tasks carried out by the Ministry and other tasks done covering the entire island are, training of trainers on animal husbandry, preparation of projects to improve the industry, economic evaluation and special development projects. Further relevant laws are prepared to facilitate the development of the livestock industry.

Among the programmes which are carried out to make aware the farmers on the ways of maintaining the animal husbandry as a profitable business, programmes are implemented to breed hybrid and non hybrid animal breeding methods compatible with various weather conditions. Further eco friendly land use skills to improve the fertility of the soil have also been introduced.

Financial aid for the implementation of projects on rural livelihood development has been provided and programme of infrastructure and livelihood development – 2017 in selected 10 districts has been implemented from among programmes aimed at rural infrastructure and small scale enterprises development. Further, Projects on construction/ fixing of cooling facilities near special economic centres in Dambulla and Keppetipola have been commenced with the objective of stabilization of the market price of agro products and minimize the post harvest loss.

Attention has been paid to improve self employment opportunities of the rural people, building a strong economy for Kithul industrialists and entrepreneurs, popularize Kithul products in the local and foreign market, minimize the issues and legal issues in relation to Kithul industry for diversification of Kithul products by developing the Kithul industry, which is commercially potential.

Further, projects have been implemented within this year, which are required to improve the livelihood of those who are engaged in handicrafts, through the development of traditional handicraft villages and pottery villages and expand the market opportunities for the products of this industry.

Co-ordination and operation of the special economic centres established with a view to facilitate the selling the products in rural areas as a strategy of increasing the sales of agro products are carried out by this Ministry and the number of economic centres that are in operation at present is 15. Two special economic centres have been opened in Vauniya and

Bataloa districts within this year. There are three types of special economic centres and they are divided as wholesale centres centered in areas of agro production, centres for wholesale/retail distribution of agro products and essential food items, Retail centres centered in urban areas. Infrastructure facilities of the economic centres have been developed.

Accordingly, this Ministry is working under 4 major scopes and it has been able to perform with proper financial management in year 2018.

09. Livestock Development Division

The Livestock Sector is playing a vital role in the local economy for the contribution in food security as well as a rural livelihood. Approximately one million families in the island are engaging in dairy, goat, poultry and swine farming at present and the majority of them represents the rural sector.

The Livestock Development Division plans and implements various programmes and projects with the objectives of meeting the increasing demand through the introduction of more healthy and quality animal products to the market and thereby to limit the foreign exchange incurred annually for importing livestock products. Development programmes and projects implemented by the Livestock Development Division during the year under review are as follows.

9.1 Progress of Development Programmes and Projects implemented by the Livestock Development Division during the year 2018

<i>S/No.</i>	<i>Programme/Project</i>	<i>Budgetary provision 2018 (Rs.mn.)</i>	<i>Physical Progress (%)</i>	<i>Financial Progress* (Rs.mn.)</i>
1.	<i>Facilitation and Promotion of Liquid Milk Consumption</i>	46.31	80	37.78
2.	<i>Establishment of Animal Breeder Farms</i>	40.06	80	31.67
3.	<i>Medium Term Livestock Development Programme</i>	50.94	60	32.56
4.	<i>Establishment of Small & Medium Scale Poultry Farming System</i>	15.79	77	12.74
5.	<i>Swine Industry Development in Sri Lanka</i>	10.65	99	7.80
6.	<i>Establishment of Dairy Processing Centre at Badalgama (GOSL/Denmark)</i>	2,375.00	85	1,632.92
7.	<i>National Food Production Programme</i>	107.80	100	102.51
8.	<i>Importation of 20,000 Dairy Animals (GOSL/Australia)</i>	160.00	20	8.19
9.	<i>Development of Mini Dairy Cooperative Societies (GOSL/France)</i>	1,028.00	10	0.01
Total		3,834.55		1,866.18

** Financial Progress is presented with the bills in hand*

9.2 Programme for the Promotion and Popularization of Liquid Milk Consumption

9.2.1. Cattle shed improvement project for the enhancement of the quality of milk production

Mastitis in dairy cattle adversely impact on the quality of milk in the areas where milk production is at high level in Sri Lanka. There is a possibility of minimizing the spreading of this disease through the proper maintenance of well-constructed cattle sheds. It is important to construct the floor of cattle sheds properly.

Accordingly, this project was implemented to improve the condition of floor of cattle sheds. Under this project, a financial assistance subjected to the maximum of Rs.30,000 per farm is granted under government contribution of 50% for laying concrete on the floor of cattle shed.

Under this, it has targeted to develop 330 dairy farms at district level and 337 project reports have been approved for the year 2018. Out of them, 310 projects have been finalized.

9.2.2. Project of distributing dairy cows for female headed families for the alleviation of poverty

Majority of those engaging in the field of livestock are small scale dairy farmers and females make higher contribution in labour therein. Under this project, a dairy cow of high strain is given for female headed dairy farms subjecting to the maximum value of Rs.60,000 under the government contribution of 50%. This project extends a helping hand for the empowerment of such female dairy farmers and for the alleviation of their poverty.

This project, which is implemented through the Provincial Departments of Animal Production and Health, targets to provide benefits for 170 beneficiaries throughout the island and 181 project proposals have been approved during the period under review. 166 projects have been finalized by the end of the year 2018.

9.2.3. Making popular the liquid milk consumption through enhancing milk production

Under this project, awareness programmes have been conducted and milk products have been provided for popularization of liquid milk consumption among elderly community as well as school children. The expected investment for this purpose is Rs.12 million and 1,289 programmes have been conducted during the period under review. Further, essential milk cans have been provided for the production of healthy fresh milk targeting selected three milk producing clusters.

9.3. Establishment of Animal Breeder Farms

9.3.1. Establishment of breeder farms

Breeder farms were established at provincial level throughout the island with the intention of avoiding the scarcity of dairy cows of high strain for the enhancement of local milk production. It had planned to establish 105 breeding farms in the year 2018 and the expected investment for the same was Rs.10.5 million. Accordingly, constructions of 104 breeding farms out of the

targeted number have been finalized. Purchasing of suitable animals for breeding and construction of cattle sheds have been made under this and a sum of Rs.10.4 million has been spent for such purpose.

***Number of breeding farms in operation
during the year 2018***

<i>Province</i>	<i>Breeder farms</i>	
	<i>Target</i>	<i>Number approved</i>
<i>Central</i>	20	20
<i>Eastern</i>	06	04
<i>Northern</i>	15	15
<i>North Central</i>	12	12
<i>North Western</i>	20	21
<i>Sabaragamuwa</i>	06	03
<i>Southern</i>	10	10
<i>Uva</i>	10	10
<i>Western</i>	06	09
<i>Total</i>	<i>105</i>	<i>104</i>



A scene from the breeder farm operated.....

9.3.2. Provision of equipment for improvement and conservation of pasture

It is hereby expected to enhance the breeding ability of the animals and to improve the milk production through increasing the nourishment of animals. Under this, equipment required to produce silage and machinery required to improve pasture cultivation are provided.

Government is made contribution for 99 beneficiaries, selected by way of 11 beneficiaries from each Province, subject to a maximum contribution of Rs.50,000 per head and under 50% contribution from each beneficiary. Further, financial assistance is made for purchasing equipment required to produce silage at a total value of Rs.100,000. Work of 104 farms have totally been completed. A sum of Rs. 4.11 million has been invested for this purpose.

9.3.3. Importation of doses of sheep and cattle semen

Even though it was planned to import sheep for National Livestock Development Board for the upliftment of sheep industry in Sri Lanka, subsequently it was decided to import the doses of sheep and cattle semen and work related to such imports have been finalized. Provision of a sum of Rs. 8 million has been allocated to the National Livestock Development Board for this purpose.

9.3.4. Establishment of a Model Breeding Farm in the Central Province

Under this project, construction of a new cattle shed for 50 cows is in progress at Training Farm premises of the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the University of Peradeniya implemented with the intention of distribution of cows and calves among dairy farmers of the Central Province, has been commenced. The invested amount for this purpose was Rs. 5 million.

9.3.5. Training Workshop on animal breeding

A five day residential training programme was conducted by the Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP) on the themes of animal breeding, farm management and nourishment of animals. This training workshop held at the Institute of Continuing Education at Peradeniya had 40 officers of the Animal production and Health Service as participants. Contribution of two resource personnel of Bangladesh was obtained for this purpose. Two programmes for training officers in the Central Province were implemented in addition to the above.

9.3.6. Establishment of Special Breeder Farm in the Uva Province

A Pilot project was planned for the establishment of special breeding farms in 25 farms selected in the Uva Province. This is implemented for granting calves of imported cows for selected farms.

Under this project, Government makes contribution subjecting to a maximum amount of Rs. 200,000 per beneficiary and 50% contribution of beneficiary. Work of 04 projects has been finalized at the end of the period under review.

9.4. Medium Term Livestock Development Programme

Arrangements have been made to improve the provision of services in the field of livestock through the establishment of veterinary medical offices and other infrastructure facilities in the vast potentials being existed in the Northern Province for the development of the livestock field. Details of official quarters constructed during the period under review are as follows.

<i>Official Quarters</i>	<i>Physical progress (%)</i>
<i>Official quarters for Veterinary Medical Officer of Madu in Mannar district</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>Official quarters for Veterinary Medical Officer of Pudukuduirippu in Mullaitivu district</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>Official quarters for Veterinary Medical Officer at Thunukkai Farm in Mullaitivu district</i>	<i>100</i>
<i>Official quarters for veterinary Medical Officer at Karachchai in Kilinochchi district</i>	<i>80</i>
<i>Official quarters for veterinary medical officer, Irattaperiyakulam in Vavuniya district</i>	<i>95</i>
<i>Veterinary office building in Mannar in Mannar district</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Construction of Multipurpose building in Thirunaveli in Jaffna district</i>	<i>10</i>

9.5. Development Programme of Small and Medium Scale Poultry Farms

This programme is implemented with the objective of making the country self-sufficient in poultry products and targeting the export market. Under this programme, new entrepreneurs are attracted to the poultry farming sector while existing entrepreneurs are also encouraged. It has also been planned to proliferate production of chicks, eggs, chicken as well as animal food production. Through this programme, it is also expected to increase the egg and chicken production so that every individual could consume at least 03 eggs per week and 10 kg of chicken per year.

It was planned to establish 1,750 small and medium scale poultry farms in the year 2018. During the period under review, 1,835 small scale farms have been established. In addition to the above, as a special programme a sum of Rs. 1.02 million has been invested to provide, 252 beneficiaries in Moneragala District in Uva Province and 18 beneficiaries in the Division of Veterinary Medical Officer at Naula in Central Province, 10 chicks for each in order to establish small scale poultry farms.

A sum of Rs.3.792 million has been invested for the establishment of 08 small scale animal producing plants and 18 meat processing centres. Further under special programmes, an awareness programme for pregnant mothers in Monaragala District was held on the consumption of eggs and meat.

9.6. Swine Industry Development Programme in Sri Lanka

Semen of higher strains of swine have been imported to Horakele Farm of National Livestock Development Board in order to enhance the productivity of swine industry. The invested amount of the same was Rs. 3 million. Further, necessary steps have been made to uplift 61 small scale Piggeries throughout the island up to environmental friendly condition and the amount invested therefor was Rs. 3.004 million. A sum of Rs.1.002 million has been invested to construct a small scale swine slaughter house in Model swine farm located at Joint Farm Development and Training Centre, Wannigama in North Western Province.

9.7. Establishment of a new Dairy Processing Centre at Badalgama

It has decided to relocate the Dairy Processing Factory at Narahenpita, Colombo belongs to the Milco (Private) Company Limited in the Siringapatha Farm at Badalgama belongs to the National Livestock Development Board. This project is implemented with the assistance of the Government of Denmark and the foundation stone was laid on 18.05.2016 for the construction of the factory under its first phase and progress achieved by the end of the period under review is as follows.

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Physical Progress(%)</i>	<i>Investment</i>
<i>Construction work of the building of Dairy Factory</i>	99	<i>Euro 56.81 million</i>
<i>Administrative and Office Building</i>	88	
<i>Canteen building and establishment of facilities for employees</i>	85	
<i>Construction of Official Quarters for Staff and the Security posts</i>	88	
<i>Establishment of Electricity Generating Unit</i>	100	
<i>Mechanical and Electrical installation activities</i>	47	
<i>Importation of 43 containers of construction material and parts of machinery and equipment</i>		<i>Rs.375 million</i>
<i>Payment of taxes from Local Fund for imported machinery and equipment</i>		

9.8. National Food Production Programme

The National Food Production Programme is implemented at national level with the intention of uplifting the living condition of rural community.

9.8.1. Project for the empowerment of small scale dairy farms

This is implemented under the provisions of National Food Production Programme with the intention of encouraging quality milk production of small scale dairy farms. 50% financial assistance subject to the maximum of Rs.60,000 per beneficiary is granted under this. The Provincial Departments of Animal Production and Health has implemented 781 projects and Milco (Private) Limited has implemented 180 projects during the period under review under this main project implemented through the Provincial Departments of Animal Production and Health and Milco (Private) Ltd.

9.8.2. Small scale Goat Farm Development Project

A sum of Rs. 18.5 million has been invested for the establishment of 332 goat farms under this project which is implemented with the objective of uplifting nutritional level of the community through the enhancement of the economy of small scale farmers who are engaging in rearing goats and enhancement of the production of local goat milk and mutton. A sum of Rs.60,000 has been granted to purchase one male animal and 04 or 05 female animals for each beneficiary.

9.8.3. Small scale poultry farm development project

This project which is implemented with the objective of enhancing the nutritional level of the people through contributing at domestic level for production of poultry provides 10 chicks of one month old per beneficiary and beneficiaries are responsible for constructing poultry hut and feeding chicks.

Under this programme, 8,064 small and middle scale poultry farms have been established island wide during the period under review and a sum of Rs. 29.28 million has been invested for this purpose.

9.9. Importation of Dairy Animals

It is expected to import 20,000 pregnant cows of high strain from Australia and Newzealand with the objective of enhancing local liquid milk production. Through this, these cows will be made available for medium and large scale entrepreneurs engaged in dairy farming with the objective of establishing dairy farms islandwide with potentials for efficient and quality local milk production. Calves of the first generation of these animal are to be used for milk production as well as for developing local strains.

Accordingly, under the first phase of this project 2,000 dairy cows were imported from New Zealand and 3,000 dairy cows were imported from Australia in May 2017 and they were distributed to 68 investors. They have given births for 4,814 calves as at 31.12.2018 and thereby additional 17,852,605 litres of milk have been added to the local milk production. As the second phase paper advertisements have been published and applications have been invited from entrepreneurs who are willing to rear imported pregnant cows and selection of suitable entrepreneurs is being in progress. A delay caused in connection with obtaining the relevant health standards and thus import tasks will be able to commence soon after receiving the same.

9.10. Development of Cooperative societies of small scale dairy producers

The preliminary objective of this project which is implemented with the intention of uplifting dairy production in Sri Lanka, is to enhance the nutritional level of the community through producing value added dairy products within the relevant areas and popularizing the consumption of milk. Under this, it is expected to develop 06 selected small scale milk producing centres and expected investment was Euro 13.9 million. Financial Agreement in this regard has been signed between the Government of Sri Lanka and Government of the French Republic on 27/12/2017.

Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been received to sign the contract agreement related to the supplies of the project and financial Agreement was signed on 28.09.2018. The methodology of recovering loans granted to beneficiaries under this project is being discussed with Goverement Banks at present.

10. Progress of the Development and Planning Division during the year under review

The details of the programmes and projects implemented for the upliftment of the rural community economically by the Development and Planning Division are as follows.

10.1. Rural Economic Development Projects

10.1.1. Kitul Development Project

Under this project, priority was given for the development of Kitul entrepreneurs. Various programmes have been implemented at district level to establish sales outlets for kitul productions, improvement of Kitul treacle, Kitul jaggery and Kitul related products and to popularize high standard quality products in the market.

The under mentioned interventions were made as follows for the development of Kitul industry.

- ❖ Provision of funds to construct sales centres for the sale of products of Kitul producers
- ❖ Making aware kitul industrialists in connection with the ability of Kitul flower tapping in jungle reservations
- ❖ making aware the Kitul industrialists on new Distilleries Act through Divisional Secretariats
- ❖ Providing financial assistance for Kitul related entrepreneurs to develop the industry
- ❖ Conducting training programmes and provision of goods and equipment to Kitul industrialists

Financial provisions amounting to Rs.15 million were made available from local funds for the Kitul development project in the year 2018. Details of development activities carried out for 2,200 beneficiaries in 48 Divisions of Divisional Secretariats in the 13 districts are as follows.

Kitul Village Development Project - 2018
(as per the Divisions of Divisional Secretariats)

<i>District</i>	<i>Division of Divisional Secretary granted benefits</i>	<i>Total Provisions (Rs.)</i>
Galle	<i>Yakkalamulla, Weliwitiya Divithura, Bope Poddala, Neluwa, Thawalama, Niyagama</i>	<i>1,740,154.64</i>
Matara	<i>Pitabeddara, Pasgoda, Akuressa, Malimboda, Kotapola</i>	<i>1,444,175.26</i>
Kalutara	<i>Walallawita, Agalawatta, Ingiriya, Bulathsinghala, Palindanuwara</i>	<i>1,585,530.93</i>
Matale	<i>Ukuwela, Matale, Rattota</i>	<i>770,567.01</i>
Badulla	<i>Ella, Soranatota, Uva Paranagama</i>	<i>997,363.19</i>
Kandy	<i>Poojapitiya, Thumpane, Medadumbara, Ududumbara, Deltota, Uda Palatha</i>	<i>1,213,005.15</i>
Ratnapura	<i>Niwithigala, Imbulpe, Balangoda, Kiriella, Eheliyagoda, Ayagama</i>	<i>1,564,097.94</i>
Nuwara- Eliya	<i>Kotmale, Ambagamuwa, Hanguranketha</i>	<i>398,041.24</i>
Kegalle	<i>Dehiowita, Bulathkohupitiya, Deraniyagala,</i>	<i>1,337,010.31</i>

<i>District</i>	<i>Division of Divisional Secretary granted benefits</i>	<i>Total Provisions (Rs.)</i>
	<i>Warakapola, Aranayake</i>	
Hambantota	<i>Katuwana</i>	<i>1,013,720.62</i>
Moneragala	<i>Medagama, Madulla, Moneragala</i>	<i>617,474.23</i>
Gampaha	<i>Dompe</i>	<i>17,350.52</i>
Ampara	<i>Ampara</i>	<i>199,020.62</i>
Total	48	12,897,511.66

10.1.2. Development of Traditional Handicraft Villages

Financial Provisions amounting to Rs.25 million have been granted to this project from the local funds in the year 2018. Providing opportunity to engage in new creative productions through state of the art technology for traditional craftsmen, strengthening the market, direction for sale of improved products and introduction of modern equipment, addition of new technological value for traditional industries and crafting skills, enhancement of the living standards of those who are engaging in handicrafts and expansion of market facilities for handicrafts are expected through these project activities.

Action has been taken to develop villages of traditional handicrafts in 93 divisions of Divisional Secretariats in 22 selected districts island wide. Accordingly, necessary funds have been made available to the respective District Secretaries to provide required training, technological knowledge, raw material, assistance, equipment and goods for strengthening the traditional handicraft villages. The industries which have been paid the attention for carrying out development under these projects are as follows;

<i>Fields indentified under Traditional Handicraft Development</i>			
<i>Jewelry production</i>	<i>Batik industry</i>	<i>Production of carpets</i>	<i>Palmyra related products</i>
<i>Development of Gunny fibre related product</i>	<i>Handmade special lace “Beeralu” industry</i>	<i>Bamboo related creations</i>	<i>Steel Industry</i>
<i>Smiths’ workshop industry</i>	<i>Sealing wax industry</i>	<i>Bamboo related products</i>	<i>Creations related to wood</i>
<i>Development of Artistes, sculptors</i>	<i>Development of coir associated industry</i>	<i>Products made of coconut shells</i>	<i>Development of stone carving artists</i>
<i>Cane associated products</i>	<i>Brass industry</i>		

**Development of Traditional Handicraft Villages
(According to Divisions of Divisional Secretaries)**

District	DS Division	No.of villages	No.of beneficiaries	Total provisions (Rs.)	Financial Progress (Rs.)	Physical Progress (%)
Kandy	Yatinuwara, Pasbage korale, Akurana, Pathadumbara.	5	45	1,086,956.00	1,000,870.00	100
Kegalle	Dehiowita, Warakapola, Rambukkana, Galigamuwa.	4	78	880,795.82	850,600.30	100
Polonnaruwa	Dimbulagala	1	4	102,061.86	100,200.00	100
Ratnapura	Kalawana, Pelmadulla, Kuruwita, Eheliyagoda, Godakawela	5	86	1,039,429.90	1,031,800.00	100
Puttalam	Madampe, Mahawewa, Mundalama , Naththandiya.	5	77	745,051.55	728,200.00	100
Anuradhapura	Palugaswewa, Palagala, Mihintale, Thalawa. Galenbindunuwewa	5	50	1,367,628.30	1,350,200.10	100
Kalutara	Kaalutara, Bulathsinghala, Madurawala, Horana, Agalawatte.	6	66	1,515,100.93	1,500,652.00	100
Hambantota	Sooriyawewa, Tangalle, Beliatta, Katuwana, Angunakolapelessa	7	154	1,581,958.76	1,581,000.40	100
Matara	Thihagoda, Kamburupitiya, Pasgoda, Mulatiyana, Hakmana, Pitabeddara, Kadawathsatara, Athuraliya, Matara, Welipitiya, Kirinda, Puhulwella, Dikwella, Devinuwara.	26	95	3,733,419.85	3,595,512.10	100
Galle	Bope Poddala, Kadawathsatara, Karandeniya, Ambalangoda, Hikkaduwa, Imaduwa, Bentota, Baddegama, Akmeemana, Weliwitiya Divithura, Gonapeenuwala.	20	140	2,439,278.35	2,369,190.45	100
Matale	Ambanganga Korale, Matale, Ukuwela, Dambulla, Yatawatte.	18	89	1,219,639.18	1,200,789.45	100
Badulla	Passara, Bandarawela	2	30	387,833.45	361,425.41	99
Moneragala	Moneragala	1	15	102,061.86	99,821.40	99
Kurunegala	Udubaddawa, Alawwa, Kurunegala, Kuliypitiya West, Ganewatte, Kobeigane, Polgahawela, Narammala, Mallawapitiya, Kotavehera, Mawathagama, Bamunakotuwa, Panduwasnuwara East.	30	270	2,845,484.54	2,838,020.10	100
Nuwara Eliya	Hanguranketha	2	20	607,877.94	597,248.00	99
Gampaha	Attangalle, Minuwangoda, Meerigama	5	74	,617,681.13	1,600,581.20	100
Ampara	Kalmunia, Ampara, Karaitivu, Nindavur	4	52	20,086.60	910,000.60	100
Vavuniya	Vengalachettikulam	1	10	117,371.13	100,950.00	100
Kilinochchi	Punarkari, Pachchalippali	2	35	377,628.87	370,574.00	100
Batticaloa	Eravur town, Porativupattu, Vellaveli, Minmuni North, Kaththankudy	7	135	1,367,628.87	1,364,741.12	100
Jaffna	Nallur, Sandilippali, Thelippali	3	75	520,515.46	510,900.00	100
Trincomalee	Thampalagramam	1	30	173,505.15	169,505.10	100
Total		160	1,630	24,748,995.5	24,232,781.73	

10.1.3. Pottery Producing Villages Development Project

This project envisages encouraging families engaged in rural pottery industry, economically empowering the potters, expansion of market opportunities through introduction of market oriented products and provision of equipment for low income-earning potters.

The investments have been made for strengthening pottery producing villages as per the project proposals presented by Divisional Secretaries of Kegalle, Nuwara Eliya, Matale, Moneragala, Puttalam, Kurunegala, Hambantota and Gampaha districts. Following are the activities implemented under this project.

- ❖ Provision of training to potters engaged in traditional pottery industry
- ❖ Conducting training programmes for the provision of modern technology for potters
- ❖ Provision of clay grinders for pottery productions
- ❖ Provision of electric Sakaporu for potters
- ❖ Provision of machinery, equipment and blocks required for manufacturing gas clay pots
- ❖ Introduction of sales centres to assist potters for marketing their products
- ❖ Encouragement of potters through directing them for exhibitions & fairs

Financial provisions amounting to Rs.5 million have been granted from local funds for the Pottery producing village development project in the year 2018. Details of development activities carried out for 282 beneficiaries in 17 divisions of Divisional secretaries in 08 districts are as follows.

Pottery Producing Village Development (At divisions of Divisional Secretaries Level)

<i>S/ No.</i>	<i>District</i>	<i>D.S.Division</i>	<i>Project implementing village/villages</i>	<i>No. of beneficiaries</i>	<i>Total Provisions (Rs.)</i>	<i>Financial Progress (Rs.)</i>	<i>Physical Progress (%)</i>
1	Kegalle	Aranayake	Samagama, Theleka	30	418,453.61	410,000.00	100
2	Nuwara Eliya	Hanguranketha	Puranagama	7	150,030.93	149,985.00	100
3	Matale	Rattota	E 371 B Udaweragama	2	81,649.48	80,920.61	100
4	Moneragala	Medagama	Thimbiriya	10	211,268.04	210,200.00	100
5	Puttalam	Karuwalagaswewa	Suduwella	6	129,618.56	126,218.20	100
		Anamaduwuwa	Kumaragama	25	316,391.75	310,000.00	100
6	Kurunegala	Weerambagedara	Siyambalawehera	7	150,030.93	147,000.00	100
		Kuliyapitiya (West)	Deegalla, Unaleeya, Wahumuwa	18	418,453.61	409,900.20	100
		Bamunakotuwa	Passellewewa	25	418,453.61	399,315.00	100
		Udubaddawa	Siyambalagasruppa	30	418,453.61	408,082.00	100
		Ibbagamuwa	498 Kahatawela, 488 Nindapella	11	418,453.61	408,689.00	100
		Nikaweratiya	ihala pathkolawewa	21	418,453.61	409,900.36	100
		Giribawa	Warawewa, halawewa	20	255,154.64	245,745.00	100
7	Hambantota	Weeraketiya	Keppitiyawa North	20	211,268.04	207,900.00	100
		Walasmulla	Bibulagoda	30	211,268.04	210,000.00	100
8	Gampaha	Dompe	Malwana, kalukondayawa East, Kalukondayawa West	10	316,391.75	281,000.00	100
		Mahara	Warahantuduwa	10	406,206.19	399,110.00	100
Total				282	4,950,000.00	44,933,083.37	

10.2. Rural Infrastructure Facilities and Livelihood Development Programme-2018

Taking productive action is important in development activity for enhancing the income level of the low income poor community living in urban and semi urban zone as well as the upliftment of rural people. Financial provision amounting to Rs. 400 million was allocated for this Ministry from General Treasury on the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers in the year 2018.

Development activities such as development of rural access roads, construction and modernization of culverts, small bridges, drainage systems, supply of common drinking water, renovation/repairs of drinking water wells, multipurpose buildings and other common amenities are undertaken through community participatory approach under rural infrastructure development component.

Provision of knowledge, equipment and facilities required to develop economy and means of support of rural community and provision of knowledge, equipment, technology and facilities required to develop rural entrepreneurship are essential factors in fulfilling the rural development targets. Thereby the assistance received for earning income, directing people for self-employments and upliftment of rural production is very important. In order to fulfil these objectives, action has been taken to provide water pumps for cultivation purposes, lawn movers for agricultural purposes, sewing machines, fishing gears for low income community identified at Grama Niladharis' Division.

It has also assisted through this project to improve household industries and to provide training, technology and equipment required for small entrepreneur development. Attention has been paid to uplift the rural economy through improvement of livestock and accordingly it has assisted in providing dairy cows and chicks and constructing cattle sheds.

This project was implemented in Batticaloa, Matale, Moneragala, Kalutara, Galle, Puttalam, Ratnapura and Mullaitivu districts in the year 2018. Financial provisions allocated for proposals identified through Divisional Secretaries and District Secretaries have been forwarded to the District Secretaries. Action has been taken to create a favourable economy and a lifestyle through minimizing the rural poverty, strengthening rural entrepreneurs, generating income and directing people for self-employments.

10.3 Dedicated Economic Centres

The establishment of Dedicated Economic Centres was commenced since 1998 utilizing budgetary provisions of the Government with the objective of providing marketing facilities for productions in rural areas as one of the agro market development strategies.

The Development and Planning Division carries out the liaison and direction of all Dedicated Economic Centres. At present there are 15 Dedicated Economic Centres in operation and all arrangements have been made to open Dedicated Economic Centres in Vavuniya and Batticaloa.

There are three types of Dedicated Economic Centres.

- ❖ Wholesale Centres focused on the areas of agro products
- ❖ Centres of distribution of agro-products and essential items of food on wholesale/retail basis
- ❖ Retail sales centres focused on urban areas

All Dedicated Economic Centres are operating under direct supervision of the Ministry and each Centre is managed by a Management Board of Trustees chaired by the District Secretary of the relevant District while the relevant Divisional Secretary functions as the Secretary. This Management Board of Trustees consists of representatives of Trade Associations and Farmers' Organizations and representatives from state institutions dealing with the subject of Dedicated Economic Centres. The Secretary to the Ministry is the Establisher of these Management Boards of Trustees while a staff officer of the Ministry holds the membership of each Management Board of Trustees. All the management Trusts have been established through deed of trusts under the Trusts Ordinance.

Location of Dedicated Economic Centres

<i>Province</i>	<i>Centres focused on the areas of productions</i>	<i>Product Distribution Centres (wholesale/retail)</i>	<i>Retail distribution centres focused on urban areas</i>	<i>Economic Centres proposed to open</i>
<i>Western</i>		<i>Welisara Meegoda Veyangoda Ratmalana</i>	<i>Narahenpita Piliyandala</i>	
<i>Central</i>	<i>Nuwaraeliya Dambulla Kuruduwatta Kandehandiya</i>			
<i>Uva</i>	<i>Keppetipola</i>			
<i>North Central</i>	<i>Thambuttegama</i>			
<i>Sabaragamuwa</i>	<i>Embilipitiya</i>			
<i>Eastern</i>	<i>Ampara</i>			<i>Batticaloa</i>
<i>Northern</i>	<i>Kilinochchi</i>			<i>Vavuniya</i>

Trade Premises of the Dedicated Economic Centres

<i>Dedicated Economic Centre</i>	<i>Date Opened</i>	<i>Number of Premises</i>	
		<i>Retail shops</i>	<i>Stores</i>
<i>Dambulla</i>	<i>01.04.1999</i>	<i>157</i>	
<i>Nuwaraeliya</i>	<i>08.04.2006</i>	<i>138</i>	
<i>Keppetipola</i>	<i>12.08.2001</i>	<i>71</i>	
<i>Thambutthegama</i>	<i>13.09.2005</i>	<i>59</i>	
<i>Embilipitiya</i>	<i>25.02.2003</i>	<i>46</i>	
<i>Meegoda</i>	<i>07.02.2003</i>	<i>105</i>	
<i>Welisara</i>	<i>07.10.2003</i>	<i>133</i>	
<i>Veyangoda</i>	<i>16.08.2007</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>06</i>
<i>Narahenpita</i>	<i>14.12.2008</i>	<i>196</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Ratmalana</i>	<i>28.03.2009</i>	<i>128</i>	
<i>Piliyandala</i>	<i>24.03.2010</i>	<i>58</i>	
<i>Kandehandiya</i>	<i>27.01.2006</i>	<i>25</i>	
<i>Kurunduwatta</i>	<i>17.02.2008</i>	<i>14</i>	
<i>Kilinochchi</i>	<i>14.10.2017</i>	<i>40</i>	
<i>Ampara</i>	<i>02.12.2017</i>	<i>24</i>	
<i>Vavuniya</i>	<i>To be opened</i>	<i>50</i>	
<i>Batticaloa</i>		<i>50</i>	

10.3.2. Progress of Programs and Projects implemented during this year

10.3.2.1. Establishment of Dedicated Economic Centres

❖ Dedicated Economic Centre, Vavuniya

This Centre is being constructed in Munrumurippu Grama Niladhari Division in the Division of Divisional Secretary, Vavuniya. A sum of Rs.200 million has been provided from the Consolidated Fund for this purpose. This centre consists of 50 business premises each in the extent of 180 sq. ft.

Construction of this Centre was undertaken by the Central Engineering Consultancy Bureau. The constructions have already been completed and it is expected to open in the future.

❖ Dedicated Economic Centre, Batticaloa

This Dedicated Economic Centre has been constructed in the Kaluthawalai Grama Niladhari Division in the Division of Divisional Secretary, Manmune South Eruwilpattu in the District of Batticaloa. The estimated cost of this construction is Rs.300 million. This centre consists of 50 business premises each in the extent of 180 sq. ft. A sum of Rs. 300 million has been provided for the construction of this Centre through budget proposals in the year 2017. The constructions were commenced on 22.07.2017 and carried out by the Central Engineering Consultancy Bureau under the supervision of Department of Buildings. Construction of this Centre has been completed at present and it is to be opened in the future.

10.3.3. Modernization of Dedicated Economic Centres

Provisions amounting to Rs.28.17 million have been granted from local funds in the year 2018 for the modernization of Dedicated Economic Centres. The progress as at 31.12.2018 is as shown below.

<i>Modernization Activity</i>	<i>Provisions (Rs.mn)</i>	<i>Physical progress</i>	<i>Financial progress (Rs.mn)</i>
<i>Dedicated Economic Centre, Meegoda</i>			
<i>Construction of Roof of 'R' premises</i>	13.574	Construction activities have been finalized.	13.574
<i>Dedicated Economic Centre, Welisara</i>			
<i>Construction of roof for building No.01</i>	7.053	Construction activities have been finalized.	5.679
<i>Dedicated Economic Centre, Embilipitiya</i>			
<i>Fixing of net covering for open hall</i>	0.759	Construction activities have been finalized.	0.946
<i>Obtaining water supply for Economic Centre</i>	0.128		
<i>Installation of a microphone for Economic Centre</i>	0.152		

10.3.4. Activities undertaken for progress of Dedicated Economic Centres in the year 2018

❖ Carrying out development work utilizing Trust funds of the Dedicated Economic Centres

<i>Dedicated Economic Centre</i>	<i>Development Activity</i>	<i>Estimated cost (Rs.)</i>	<i>Physical Progress (%)</i>	<i>Financial Progress (%)</i>
<i>Thambuttegama</i>	<i>Modernization of vehicle Park</i>	787,420.09	100	100
	<i>Laying interlock stones for empty floor spaces</i>	698,782.12	100	100
	<i>Construction of a gate and a security wire fence around Orulagayaya land where garbage is disposed.</i>	979,972.93	100	100
	<i>Construction of a security fence for pavement</i>	1,389,954.93	100	100
	<i>Construction of the gate on the back.</i>	217,478.36	100	100
	<i>Laying interlock stones at the bicycle and motor cycle park and near the buildings.</i>	399,623.41	100	100
	<i>Construction of drainage system at the back.</i>	878,547.74	100	100
	<i>Modernization of the office.</i>	61,248.96	100	100
	<i>Modernization of the restroom as a holiday resort.</i>	826,435.40	100	100
	<i>Repairing of the conference hall.</i>	1,253,706.71	100	100
	<i>Modernization of new canteen.</i>	623,432.83	100	90

Dedicated Economic Centre	Development Activity	Estimated cost (Rs.)	Physical Progress (%)	Financial Progress (%)
	Preparation of drainage system on the right side of the centre.	1,914,124.68	100	90
	Construction of a storeroom.	925,252.14	100	100
	Construction of a culvert for back gate	331,328.82	100	100
	Partitioning of Internal Lane system	1,287,000.00	100	90
Keppetipola	Tar paving on narrow land close to vehicle parking area	7,685,587.94	100	100
	Construction of toilets for conference hall	789,708.05	100	100
	Installation of CCTV camera system	2,190,000.00	100	100
Narahenpita	Construction of the security wall on "Samanala uyana"	726,766.65	100	100
	Preparation of ceiling of textile complex	2,828,147.33	100	100
	Fixing of electric fans in vegetable premises	2,235,524.56	100	100
	Repairing of H boutique line	1,033,978.49	100	100
	Repairing of R boutique line	1,267,060.87	100	100
Ratmalana	Establishment of garbage collecting tank	265,345.11	100	100
	Repairing of front parapet wall	181,304.10	100	100
Dambulla	Restoration of subsided lands in front of the canteen and its back and laying new concrete slabs for dilapidated concrete slabs of drainage systems.	1,135,929.00	10	-
	Making adjustments in electric systems in vehicle parking area and the parks.	759,000.00	10	-
	Making adjustments in electric system of domestic roof	5,473,500.00	10	-
	Replacement with new motors in toilet drainage system	3,633,020.00	10	-
Piliyandala	Making Electric meter covering box using fiberglass.	334,310.00	100	100
Nwara-Eliya	Carpeting of internal pathways.	5,188,072.25	10	-
	Purchasing of office equipment	255,150	100	100
	Development of a computer software	350,000.00	50	-
	Modernization of the hostel	600,000.00	100	25
	Purchasing of an electric generator for common electric system	2,000,000.00	5	-
	Fixing of sensory equipment for water Pumping Station	148,750.00	100	100
Welisara	Construction of a shoe gutter between building 1 and 2	588,055.33	100	100
	Expansion of garbage yard	545,047.27	100	100
	Construction of a boundary wall	429,420.48	100	100
Embilipitiya	Renovation of two main gates of the Centre	138,240.00	100	100

10.3.5. Financial Progress of the Dedicated Economic Centres

<i>Economic Centre</i>	<i>Total Revenue (Rs.mn)</i>	<i>Total Expenditure (Rs.mn)</i>
<i>Dambulla</i>	<i>64.08</i>	<i>53.53</i>
<i>Keppetipola</i>	<i>25.84</i>	<i>14.87</i>
<i>Meegoda</i>	<i>10.51</i>	<i>10.82</i>
<i>Embilipitiya</i>	<i>3.39</i>	<i>3.16</i>
<i>Welisara</i>	<i>16.83</i>	<i>12.16</i>
<i>Thambuttegama</i>	<i>28.89</i>	<i>11.58</i>
<i>Kandehandiya</i>	<i>0.008</i>	<i>0.12</i>
<i>Nuwara-Eliya</i>	<i>13.50</i>	<i>8.51</i>
<i>Veyangoda</i>	<i>8.46</i>	<i>6.89</i>
<i>Kurunduwatte</i>	<i>1.30</i>	<i>0.85</i>
<i>Narahenpita</i>	<i>59.98</i>	<i>44.94</i>
<i>Rathmalana</i>	<i>16.50</i>	<i>9.20</i>
<i>Piliyandala</i>	<i>2.56</i>	<i>4.57</i>
<i>Ampara</i>	<i>0.15</i>	<i>0.07</i>
<i>Kilinochchi</i>	<i>0.39</i>	<i>0.43</i>