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Vision

Sri Lanka to become to the best coconut cultivator in the world

Mission

Enhancement of productivity, profitability and sustainability of the coconut industry in keeping with Mahinda Chinthana and Mahinda Chinthana Vision for the Future



Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development

01. Task and Mandated Responsibilities of the Ministry

The Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development was established by the Gazette Extra Ordinary dated 22 November, 2010.

- Compilation of Policy Programmes and Projects pertaining to the subject of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development and subjects of the following affiliated institutions, on the basis of Mahinda Chinthana Vision for the Future and other national policies expected to be implemented by the state:
 - Coconut Cultivation Board
 - Coconut Development Authority
 - Coconut Research Institute
 - Kurunegala Plantations Limited.
 - Chilaw Plantations Limited.
- Implementation and monitoring of the above policy programmes in order to achieve the above objectives, within the time frame and budgeted resources agreed upon in consultation with the national planning authorities.
- Provision of public services within the purview of the scope of the Ministry in a peoples- friendly manner.
- Reconstruction of all strategies and methodologies using modern management techniques paving way for ensuring the fulfillment of tasks of the Ministry alleviating wastage and corruption.

- Optimum land utilization of through multi-crop cultivations and integrated farming systems, thereby enhancing production and employment.
- Matters pertaining to development, promotion and research of coconut based industries.
- Implementation of all other activities assigned to Coconut Cultivation Board, Coconut Development Authority, Coconut Research Institute, Kurunegala Plantations Limited and Chilaw Plantations Limited.
- Supervision on Coconut Cultivation Board, Coconut Development Authority, Coconut Research Institute, Kurunegala Plantations Limited and Chilaw Plantations Limited.
- Administration of following Acts and Ordinances.
 - Coconut Cultivation Board Act (No. 46 of 1971)
 - Coconut Development Act-Special Provisions (No 45 of 1984)
 - Coconut Development Act (No.46 of 1971)
 - Coconut Fiber Act (No. 17 of 1967)
 - Coconut Products Ordinance (No. 13 of 1935)
 - Coconut Research Board Act (No. 37 of 1950)

All other statutory functions pertaining to the above subjects which are presently in operation and not specifically assigned to any other Ministry.

02. Constraints identified at the time of inception of the Ministry

The field of coconut cultivation and coconut based industries has been making a quantitative contribution towards the national economy with a long history, yet with several identified specific constraints.

Normal coconut yield per hectare was comparatively lower than that of certain countries in the region and cultivating coconut as a mono-crop was not adequately productive in economic terms. Inter cropping in coconut lands was adequately carried out, yet with insufficient marketing facilities for its productions. There was a significant resistance from the farmers towards inter-cropping which was due to deficiency in capital as well as inadequate supply of fertilizer. Proper estate management was not operative due to low level entrepreneurship among the small holders and marketing opportunities for these produces were also lying at a low level. Coconut based industries continued to be in an uniform nature and skill in product diversification and value addition was at a lower ebb. Empowered community based organizations were not in existence and field of industries remained in a scattered nature. As against the existing heavy potential for promoting the export demand, appropriate orientation of the Coconut Cultivation Board, Coconut Development Authority and Coconut Research Institute towards this end remained a severe timely requirement.

This feasibility also had a bearing in converting the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development into a full-fledged Cabinet Ministry.

03. Strategic Access initiated by the Ministry

Several basic strategies were identified by the Ministry in order to address this situation.

In order to promote coconut production in keeping with national requirement, it was necessary to expand its cultivation and to increase the soil fertility of existing coconut lands to increase their productivity.

Another strategy identified was the re -cultivation of drought and disease resistant cultivars and filling vacancies in cultivations.

Since promotion of inter cropping and animal husbandry in coconut lands was economically more productive than leaving coconut as a mono-crop cultivation, another important strategy was to propagate and introduce such forms of cultivating practice among the farmers.

Kapruka Purawara Programmes is considered a most important strategy towards development in the field of coconut based industries and Kapruka societies were geared to launch significant programmes aiming promotion of cultivation as well as industries.

Creation of a long term insurance scheme for the purpose of promoting security of those engaged in this industry while restoring the status of their employment is a novel strategy introduced and implemented in this process.

A significant contribution towards national economic development is made by increased export revenue in this field. In order to ensure adequate input for industries, domestic consumption of raw coconuts has to be minimized with powdered coconut milk and coconut creams etc. as replacements. Accordingly, a new strategy has been introduced to minimize, as far as possible, the domestic raw coconut consumption which presently accounts for around 70% of the total production.

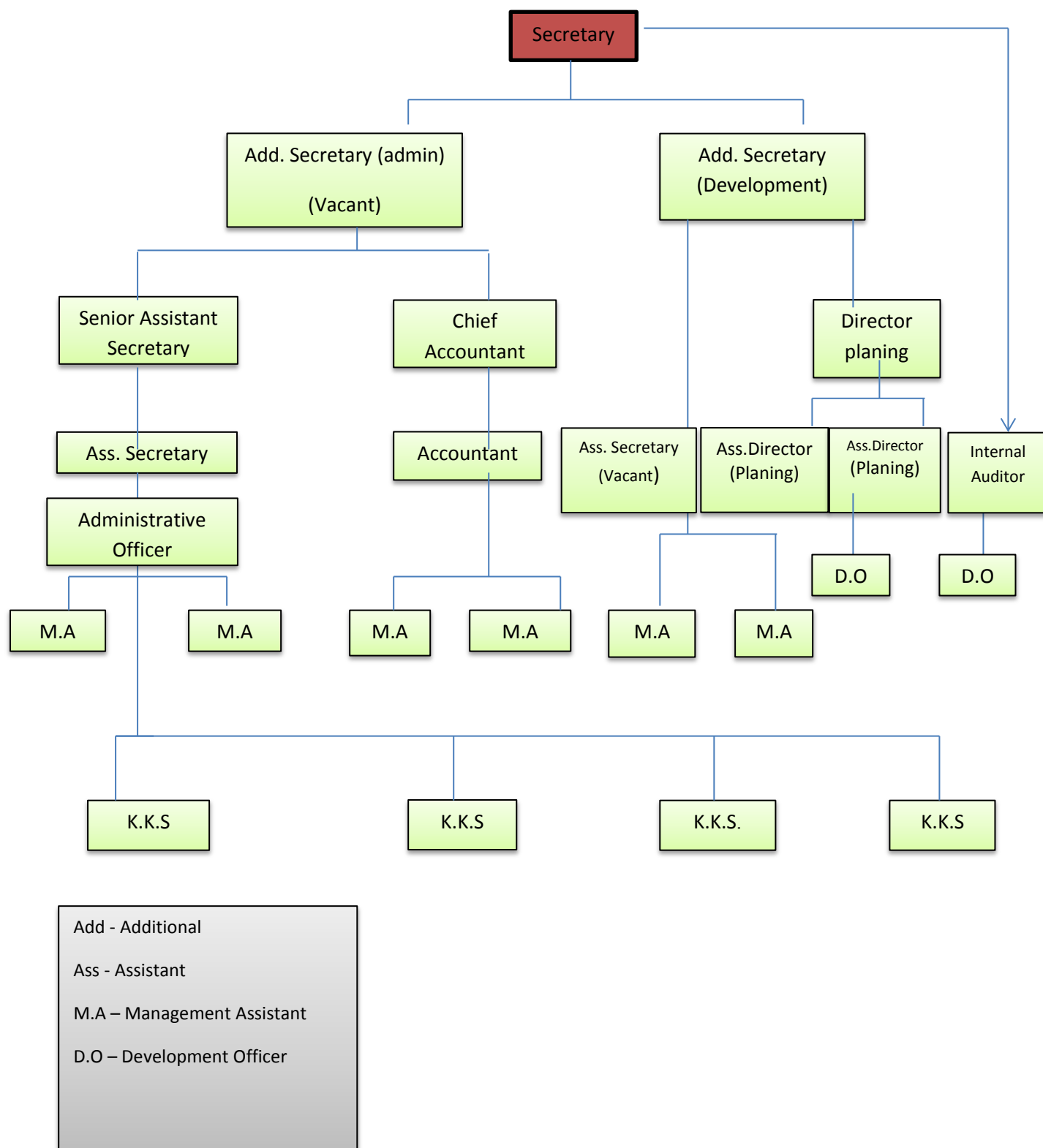
04. Targets of the Ministry

A host of programmes identified within these strategies are presently under implementation and anticipated targets are:

- Increasing annual production of existing coconut cultivations to 3,650 million of nuts within the next 06 years (2011-2016) in order to meet requirements of consumption and industries in the country.
- Increasing the density of coconut palms to ensure sustainability of coconut yield adequate to fulfill the demand of consumers and industrialists.
- Organizing small holders into Community based organizations in order to divert them towards coconut cultivating and small and medium scale coconut based industries thereby generate employment and alleviate poverty.
- Increasing productivity of coconut lands and farm income through animal husbandry / inter- crop diversification.
- Promoting environment-friendly and economically productive coconut based industries.

- Enhancing quality of coconut based products encountering the competitive international market in order to increase foreign exchange earnings.
- Improving existing techniques and generating new techniques to fulfill changing requirements in the coconut industry.
- Improving income generation through diversification of formal and informal sectors in coconut based industries.

05. Organizational Structure of the Ministry.



5.1 Organization Chart of the Ministry

06. Brief Introduction on institutions under the Ministry

Six institutions have been assigned to the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development by Gazette Extra Ordinary dated 22 November, 2010.

6.1. Coconut Development Authority (CDA)

Coconut Development Authority established under Coconut Development Act No. 46 of 1971, is the organization authorized to handle legal and regulatory functions in the coconut industry. It operates as a mediator in the development of the industry through regulating the field of coconut industry, imposition of regulations, supervision and provision of technology.

6.2. Coconut Cultivation Board (CCB)

Having established under Coconut Development Act No. 46 of 1971, the main objective of the Coconut Cultivation Board is to increase the production and productivity and establish sustainable coconut cultivations through provision of efficient extension service and guidance to coconut growers in the Island. It provides growers with requisite inputs and financial assistance in order to achieve above mentioned objectives through its extension network handled by 18 regional offices, island wide.

6.3. Coconut Research Institute (CRI)

Coconut Research Institute established in 1929 has been incorporated as Coconut Research Board under the above Act, with the objective of increasing the production through researches and development of new technologies. This process mainly involves ensuring crop protection through introduction of new coconut varieties, value addition to coconut based products in the processing field and generation of new products.

6.4. Chilaw Plantations Limited CPL)

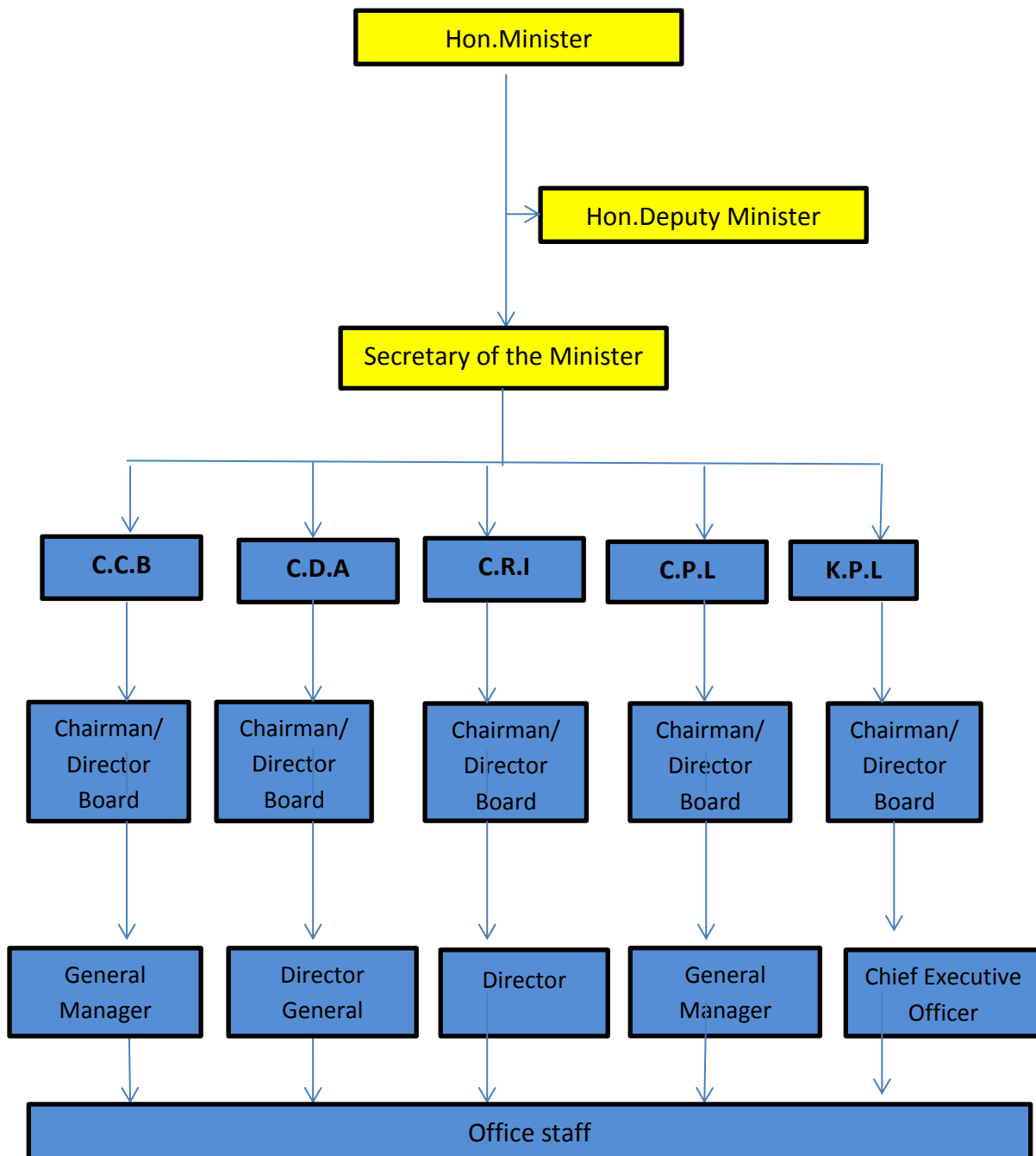
Chilaw Plantations Limited. a state owned company incorporated on 18 June, 1992, is engaged in the diversification of cultivation, production and processing related agri production process, coconut and rubber marketing and cultivation of inter-crops.

6.5. Kurunegala Plantations Limited.(KPL)

Kurunegala Plantations Limited., a state owned company incorporated on 22 June 1992 is engaged in the diversification of cultivation, production and processing related agri production process, coconut and rubber marketing and cultivation of inter-crops.

Kurunegala Plantations Limited. was rewarded with the All Island Gold Award superseding major scale agricultural enterprises and multinational companies in the field of agribusiness and Gold award in major scale productions (estate sector) at the National Agribusiness Awards- 2013.

7. Financial Responsibility and Accountability between the Ministry and the Institutions



7.1 Financial Responsibility and accountability between the Ministry and the Institutions

8. Significant achievements in 2013

The Ministry was successful in achieving its anticipated objectives in an excellent manner in 2013, by compiling and implementing policies and programmes for the revival of coconut cultivation and coconut related industries in keeping with Mahinda Chinthanaya and Mahinda Chinthana - Vision for the Future and directing and guiding its affiliated institutions towards achievement of those objectives in an exemplary manner. Within a shorter period of three years since its inception, the Ministry was able to implement a host of programmes through a creative and innovative conceptual process.

Ministry relocated in
Sethsiripaya

The Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development which was at T.B.Jayah Mawatha was relocated at Sethsiripaya-Stage II, a new building with requisite facilities.

Deyata Kirula

Environment-friendly exhibition stall run by the Ministry in collaboration with its affiliated institutions was awarded 1st.Place at the seventh Deyata Kirula Exhibition held in 2013.



8.1. Receiving Trophy for 1st. place in Deyata Kirula-2013 from His Excellency the President



8.2. Certificate for 1st.place in Deyata Kirula-2013

International Summit of Natural Fibre

" 39th. International Summit on Natural Fibers " and " 37th. Session of the Intergovernmental Group on Hard Fibers was held in Sri Lanka during the period from 04-07 November, 2013 under co-ordination of this Ministry with the objectives of promoting co-operation among the countries engaged in natural fiber Industry, International Marketing promotion for natural fibers, Compilation and revision of International policy Frameworks for natural fiber industry and preparation of strategies.

Chairmanship of this international organization was awarded to Sri Lanka for the next two years.



8.3. Inaugural Session of International Fiber Summit.



8.4. Hon. Minister addressing the inaugural session.

Appointment of
new Deputy
Minister

Hon.B.Antony Victor Perera, M.P. for Puttalam District was sworn in as Deputy Minister of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development on 11.10.2013.



8.5. Hon. Deputy Minister assuming duty.

Inauguration of
video Conferencing
Network

With the objective of promoting productivity of the Ministry and the affiliated institutions by expenditure and time management, Video conferencing system though skype is deployed for holding Monthly Progress Review and other meetings and first Progress Review Meeting was held on 07.10.2013. Around Rs. 10,000.00 per each meeting is reported to have been saved by each institution under this system.



8.6. Hon. Minister and the Secretary partaking in the inaugural session of the video conferencing.

Continuous publication of
Kapruka News Paper
Supplement

"Kapruka" News Paper Supplement was continuously published along with Dinamina, Thinakaran and Daily News with effect from October, 2012 as the official news bulletin of the Ministry, disseminating information on the coconut industry and new trends to the general public.



8.7. commemorating 1st.anniversary of the Kapruka New paper.

Standardization of
Coconut based
Industries

GMP was introduced in 2013 in collaboration with Sri Lanka Standards Institute for standardization of coconut based industries and industrialists have extended positive response. It is expected to extend this methodology to cover coconut oil and fiber industries in 2014.

27 Annual reports
to the Cabinet of
Ministry

Since inception of the Ministry in 2010, 27 delayed annual reports of the affiliated institutions have been submitted to the Cabinet as at August, 2013.

Training Programme
for Graduate Trainees

A residential training programme was conducted for a group of 250 graduate trainees under a concept of the Hon. Minister with the objective of Skills development of the newly recruited Graduate trainees and development officers.



8.8. An event in graduate training process

Controlling WCLWD

Affected palms are being removed to mitigate and control coconut leaf wilting disease spreading in the Southern Province and compensation paid to the owners. Spreading of the disease to non-affected areas has been controlled.

Operation Management Network through Internet is successful

Internet Operation Management network Introduced in 2012 for the management of coconut estates of institutions affiliated to the Ministry is running successfully. Details pertaining to the daily attendance of work forces in the institutions are reported by 10.00 a.m. and coconut yield of every estate by 5.00 p.m. are reported to the Hon.Minister, Secretary and other relevant officials by SMS to their mobile phones, which enables formal regulating of staff management and daily yielding.

Kapruka Purawara Programme progressing further

Kapruka Purawara Programme was started with the objective of organizing small holders into Community Based Organizations in order to divert them towards cultivation of coconuts and coconut based small and medium scale Enterprises, generating employment focussed on the coconut palm, thereby alleviating poverty. As at 31.12.2013, 133 Kapruka Purawara Societies and 5319 primary societies have been established. This respectively amounts to 73% and 63% of the target up to 2016.



8.9. Hon. Minister Distributing coconut Saplings under Kapruka Programme.

Transfer of Technology
and training with Cuba

A delegation from the Ministry led by the Hon. Minister visited Cuba in June, 2013 to review the progress with regard to the development in the coconut industry under the Memorandum of Understanding entered into with Cuba during the visit of His Excellency in 2012.



8.10. Hon. Minister
meets with Cuban
Minister for
Agriculture



8.11. Hon. Minister at a discussion with Cuban State Officials.

Srilankan Knowledge for
Disease and pest control
in Tanzania

A delegation from the Ministry led by the Hon. Minister visited Tanzania in October, 2013 to review the progress under Memorandum of Understanding entered in to with Tanzania during His Excellency the President's visit in June, 2013.



8.12. Hon. Minister at a discussion with Tanzanian State Officials.



8.13. Hon. Minister exchanging souvenirs
with Tanzanian state officials.

09. New Programmes initiated on novel concepts in 2013

The Ministry succeeded in implementing under the guidance and supervision of the Hon .A.P.Jagath Pushpakumara, Minister of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development, a number of highly productive programmes which were created on the basis of several novel concepts introduced by the Hon .Minister. The affiliated institutions were guided in an exemplary manner which enabled the Ministry to achieve anticipated targets.

9.1. Urban Coconut Cultivation Programme



9.1. Hon. Minister handing over a coconut sapling, inaugurating the urban Coconut Cultivation Programme.

City dwellers are compulsorily compelled to purchase coconuts for their consumption. A new hybrid variety of coconut was introduced for urban housing schemes with the objective of making optimum use of the available limited space for planting while the yield will also ease the economic burden to a certain extent. Two hybrid plants will be issued per household which will commence bearing within 04 years. Since these palms are of a shorter variety, city dwellers will be able to obtain the yield without any difficulty.

This programme will also minimize the quantity of coconut purchased by the large number of city dwellers and the extra quantity of coconuts thus created could be used as raw materials for industries. This will in turn ensure a sustainable supply of raw materials for industries and thus increase export income.

This programme was inaugurated on 21 December, 2013 in collaboration with Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte Municipal Council. Around 1000 coconut seedlings have been distributed under this programme which is being successfully implemented covering a number of urban housing schemes. It is planned to implement this programme in Maharagama, Kesbewa, Moratuwa, Colombo, Sitawaka, Padukka, Homagama, Kaduwela and Kolonnawa in the future.

The Coconut Cultivation Board was well guided by the Ministry in order to achieve the anticipated objectives.

9.2. Kaprukai - Parapurai



9.2. Hon. Deputy Minister handing over a coconut sapling to a mother at the inauguration of Kaprukai Parapurai Programme.

The human life is firmly and closely knitted with the environment and flora and all humans are shouldering the responsibility of preserving the surrounding environment. Under this programme, two coconut saplings will be issued during the childhood and the child will grow up along with these plants. The liking created in his mind towards nature will create a man who likes and loves the environment. When the saplings reach the stage of bearing, the child will be ready to gain admission to the school and the yield of the grown up palm will contribute towards his education and future sustainability. The palm which grows up along with the child will become the heritage of his generation.

Coconut seedlings amounting to 1427 have been distributed among the mothers Island wide, under this programme. The Medical Health Officers and Family Health Workers will simultaneously inspect the growth of the child as well as the coconut sapling. Details of the growth of the plant will be recorded in the card provided for the purpose.

This programme enabled the Ministry to create new feeling of interest among the people and contribution made towards the successful implementation of this programme by the Ministry of Health is praiseworthy.

9.3. Kapruka Shrama Surekuma



9.3. An event in the inauguration of Kapruka S hrama Surekuma Programme.

This is a new programme initiated taking in to consideration of the risk involved in the lives of the thousands of manual workers engaged in coconut cultivation and relevant industries, their financial constraints during the periods they are indisposed and their social status. This Insurance scheme targeting labour groups in this field is being implemented under a Memorandum of Understanding entered into with the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation.

The programme implemented through field officers of the Coconut Cultivation Board and Kaprukac Societies will enhance the social status of these labour groups while ensuring their security.

Apart from the main objective of mitigating the risk involved in the activities in their employment, it is anticipated to:

- enhance the honour, social status and importance
- ensure financial stability during distress
- build up self reliance
- Create a permanent income during the old age.

Field covered under Kapruka Shrama Surekuma Programme:

- Estates and factories owned by the institutions under the Ministry.
- Coconut plantations and coconut based factories owned by other state agencies
- Employees in coconut plantations in the private sector
- Employees in coconut based industries in the private sector.

9.4. Propagation and Encouragement Programme on production and application of carbonic fertilizer in coconut cultivations.



9.4. An event of the training programme for propagating production and application of carbonic fertilizer.

Efforts to propagate application of carbonic fertilizer instead of chemical fertilizer are being made Island wide and the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development also has followed suit by initiating a programme for propagation the application of carbonic fertilizer with the objective of contributing towards this mission of national importance. The Coconut Cultivation Board has successfully implemented this programme under the guidance of the Ministry.

Main objective of this programme is to make use of natural and cheaply available materials as carbonic fertilizer for improving soil fertility in coconut lands, preparation of carbonic fertilizer by using discarded materials through a revolving process and encouraging the growers to use carbonic fertilizer. This will also help minimize the expenditure incurred in foreign exchange for importing chemical fertilizers.

This programme is implemented through three methodologies targeting three main groups viz.

- Producers of carbonic fertilizer through Kapruka Societies of members thereof.
- Coconut growers who use non-carbonic fertilizer as a supplement with carbonic fertilizer.
- Carbonic coconut growers with special certificates

9.5. Coconut Cultural and Tourism Promotion Programme

Coconut Cultural and Tourism Promotion Programme was initiated, shouldering an activity of national importance, on a concept of the Hon.Minister of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development, having identified the potential of converting Sri Lanka into a Tourist paradise with the eradication of terrorism of three decades.

It proposed to exhibit various stages in coconut related industries in the Passikuda Coco Cultural Park presently under construction, to attract and educate tourists on relevant activities. It is also the intention to generate industrialists in the area by encouraging the use of locally available coconut and coconuts related raw materials for this purpose and extend assistance to them thereby strengthening the national economy of the country as well.



9.5. Entrance to Passikuda Coco Cultural Park



9.6. Hon. Minister in conversation with a group of foreigners during an observation tour in Passikuda Coco Cultural Park.

9.6. Coconut Auctions through the Internet

Arrangements are being made by the Ministry for the Coconut Development Authority to conduct online coconut auctions through the Internet enabling the coconut growers Island wide to obtain a fair price, enabling the industrialists to purchase coconuts at a reasonable price and ensuring transparency and minimizing the deficiencies in auctions. This process will afford opportunity for more buyers to compete, thereby maintaining an optimum level of price.

9.7. Introduction and implementation of GMP for Coconut Based Industries aimed at producing quality Products

The Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development, in collaboration with the Coconut Development Authority and the Sri Lanka Standards Institute, has introduced Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) with the main objectives of maintaining standardization and quality of coconut based products and introducing merchandise with competitive quality to the market.

Progress under this programme as at 31.12.2013 is as follows:

	Product/Service	Number of applications received	Auditing I	Auditing II	Number of certificates issued
1	Desiccated Coconut	47	40	30	26
2	Slightly defatted desiccated coconut	2	0	0	0
3	Coconut oil copra	8	0	0	0
4	Coir fiber / Value added coir fiber pith	11	1	1	0
Total		68	41	31	26

9.8. Powdered Coconut Milk Promotion Programme

Majority of coconuts in Sri Lanka are used for daily consumption and not for industries with heavy volume of income. 35% of the kernel used for extracting milk is wasted. A good part of the kernel and other parts like shells are wasted due to inefficient usage of coconut in domestic consumption. This wastage causes various problems in fulfilling the requirements of coconuts for industries.

Powdered Coconut Milk Programme envisages optimum use of coconuts for industries as well for consumption.

9.9. Optimum Land Utilization and Increasing Productivity

In order to make optimum use of land which is a limited resource, various crops could be cultivated during various stages of the coconut palm. Perennial, bi-annual and annual crops such as Cocoa, Rambutan, Mangoes, Guava, Pomegranate, cinnamon, areca nut, butter-fruit, cashew, pineapple, plantain, papaw, ginger, saffron, manioc etc. could be planted under inter-cropping. Inter-cropping is successfully carried out in estates managed by Coconut Cultivation Board, Coconut Research Institute, Kurunegala Plantations Limited and Chilaw Plantations Limited.

9.10. Model Estate Development

With the objective of obtaining higher yield through proper management of coconut estates under the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development, this programme, a concept of the Hon. Minister, is implemented under guidance of the Secretary to the Ministry.

Model Estates under Coconut Cultivation Board.

1. Lenawa Model Park
2. Daisyvalley Model Park
3. Nagansole Moel Park
4. Randeniya Ara Model Park

Model Estates under Coconut Research Institute

1. Mkandura Genetic Resources Centre
2. Tabbowa watte
3. Poththukulama Research Centre

Model Estates under Kurunegala Plantations Limited.

1. Dodamgaslanda Division in Dodamgaslanda Estate
2. Panagamuwa Division in Dodamgaslanda Estate.
3. Ganewatte Division in Hiriyala Provincial Estate.

Model Estates under Chilaw Plantations Limited.

1. Bingiriya Division
2. Palugaswewa Division
3. Divulapitiya Division

10. Programmes with continuous implementation under supervision of the Ministry

10.1. Kapruka Purawara Programme

Kapruka Purawara Programme is implemented since 2011 with the objective of organizing small holders into Community Based Organizations in order to divert them towards cultivation of coconuts and coconut based small and medium scale enterprises, generating employment based on the coconut palm, thereby alleviating poverty.

This programme is implemented under Kapruka Fund Act and it is planned to cover 180 Divisional Secretary Divisions in all the districts. Under the Kapruka Purawara Programme, 2491 primary societies and 129 regional societies have been formed during the year 2013.



10.1. Hon. Minister declares open a Kapruka Purawara.

10.2. Kaprukai Sipnenai Programme

One or two poly-bagged coconut saplings each were issued free to grade 6 students, to be planted in their home gardens, covering all the districts in the Island under this programme which commenced in 2011.

Main objective of this programme is to create an interest on coconut planting among the school children, ensure a promotional change in their attitude through planting of a coconut seedling in our own garden and looking after it, which will be a persuasive example for their parents as well. After 5 years, students who have maintained the coconut palm in the proper manner will be selected at district level and a scholarship granted for advanced level education.

This programme implemented with the participation of school children was specially commended at the International Summit of APCC. By the end of 2013, 341,407 seedlings had been distributed among 173,721 students.



10.2. A grade 6 student receiving a coconut seedling from the Hon. Minister

10.3. Weligama Disease Management Programme

This programme is implemented jointly by the Coconut Cultivation Board and the Coconut Research Institute under the guidance of the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development. Marking of affected palms in Galle district, their removal and payment of compensation and marking of affected palms in Matara district and their removal are handled by the CCB officers and compensation is paid by the Divisional Secretaries on District Secretary's recommendation. Hambantota district has been declared by the Coconut Research Institute as a disease free zone. Compensation subject to a maximum of Rs. 2,000.00 per palm is paid for removed palms.

10.4. Internet Data Network

Internet Data Network established under the guidance of the Secretary to the Ministry as per a concept of the Hon. Minister to ensure proper management of the coconut estates was declared open by His Excellency the President in 2012.

Details such as daily attendance of the work force and number of fallen and plucked nuts on daily basis in every estate under the Ministry are fed into the system which reaches the Hon. Minister and the Secretary through e.mail at 9.00 a.m. every day. This enables the Ministry to have a proper supervision over the management of the whole estate network.

10.5. Kapruka Newspaper Supplement

Kapruka News Paper Supplement as the official news bulletin of the Ministry, is being continuously published along with Dinamina, Daily News and Thinakaran on second Friday of each month, since 2012 disseminating to the general public, information on the coconut industry and new trends in the field. In 2013, twelve Kapruka Supplements have been issued.

10.6. Subsidy for new/re/under cultivations

This subsidy is granted for cultivation of coconuts in lands with extent of 1/4 -05 acres. Required seedlings are issued free. The subsidy scheme can be mainly divided into three groups.

- i. Re planting - Removal of old cultivation and replanting carried out in existing coconut lands with decreased yield due to ageing.
- ii. Under planting - under planting carried out in existing coconut lands which are unproductive due to aged or senile palms.
- iii. New planting - Coconut seedlings planted afresh in lands suitable for coconut, but presently under other crops or covered with jungle.

A total extent of 23,644 acres has been brought under coconut and 2,169,149 seedlings have been distributed among 5,200 growers as at 2013.



10.3. Pineapple under palntation

10.7. **Divi Neguma Programme**

Coconut Cultivation Board made a significant contribution towards the Planting Programme launched by the Ministry of Economic Development with the objective of developing the country through the creation of one million self- sufficient domestic economic units.

Coconut Cultivation Board handled transporting seedlings up to the Regional Office premises and carried out awareness programmes on planting and maintenance of the seedlings. Under Divi Neguma Programme, a total number of 2,723,803 seedlings has been issued as at 2013.

10.8. Sacred Area Coconut cultivation Programme

A programme for planting coconut seedlings in all places of worship in the Island was implemented in 2011 parallel to the Sri Sambuddhathva Jayanthi- 2600 Programme. Sacred Area Coconut Cultivation Programme is being implemented in Buddhist as well as other religious places of worship since 2012. Seedlings from 1- 10 are distributed free among the places of worship depending on the extent of the land available in temples, mosques and churches. As at end of 2013, a total number of 27,262 seedlings have been distributed under this programme.

10.9. Kapruka Investment Credit Scheme

This programme was initiated with the objective converting a grower in subsistence level into a grower of commercial level. Funds required for development of their plots to achieve maximum productivity deviating from the hitherto existed dependability on subsidies, was planned to be provided as a loan under this programme which is handled by the Coconut Cultivation Board in collaboration with 10 public and private banks. Constant checks are carried out by the CCB officers to ensure that loans obtained are properly utilized for the purpose agreed upon by the debtors.

These loans are granted at comparatively low rates of interest and concessions are granted at the end of each year by way of reduced rate of interests. Accordingly, the rate of interest under Kapruka Investment Credit Scheme remains between 3.5 % to 4 %.

The credit facilities are available for 11 main projects such as Cultivation of coconuts, Inter-cropping, animal husbandry, supply of irrigation and

purchase of farm machinery etc. A sum of Rs. 59.46 million has been disbursed under this scheme for development of 1,535 acres of coconut cultivations as at 2013.

10.10. Rehabilitation Programme

Density of palms per acre in most coconut cultivations in the Island is around 40-50 palms. Free seedlings subject to a maximum of 25 seedlings per acre are provided to fill these vacancies. A person is issued with 12 seedlings per year subject to a maximum of 350 seedlings. A total number of 198,268 seedlings have been issued as at 2013.

10.11. Commencing coconut based industries/ Providing technical know how for development of Existing industries.

Practical Training Programmes, workshops and awareness programmes were conducted on starting coconut based domestic industries using discarded coconut related materials commonly available in rural areas, introduction of modern techniques for traditional coconut based industries in respective areas and production of coconut based handicrafts and ornamental products. Further, action was taken to introduce markets for these products and create awareness on market demands. Accordingly, 73 training programmes on coconut based cottage industries were carried out in 32 Divisional Secretary Divisions as at 31.12.2013 and number of beneficiaries was around 2017.



10.4. Training on Coconut based productions

10.12. Collection and diversion of coconut shells and husks for industries

Collection centres for coconut shells and coconut husks which are identified as discarded yet useful raw materials were established with the objective of diverting them to industries. During 2012, 47 coconut shell collection centres and 14 husk collection centres were opened and 30 new shell collection centres and 4 husk collection centres have been established by the end of this year. Accordingly, 667,600 husks were collected and 161,075 kgs were used for value added productions. Further, 766,890 Kgs. Of coconut shells were collected and 164,535 Kgs. of charcoal were produced and 132,555 Kgs. of coconut shells were sold for coconut based value addition industries.

10.13. Implementation of " Kapruka Nipeyum Diriya" concessionary credit scheme

The Coconut Development authority in collaboration with the Peoples Bank took action disburse financial assistance subject to Rs. 2.0 Million at a concessionary annual interest rate of 6% with the objective of assisting to procure the requisite capital for development of coconut and coconut related industries / modernization and commencement of new industries.

10.14 Evaluation of soil compatibility in areas where Coconuts cultivation is traditionally not carried out.

Soil surveys were commenced in the districts of Monaragala, Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa, Batticaloa, Ampara, Trincomalee, Kilinochchi, Manna and Jaffna. In Monaragala district, soil surveys have been completed and 33 kinds of soil falling under 8 major groups have been identified. Soil Group S1 (produces an annual yield of over 15,000 nuts) was not found, but 17,000 hectares with soil group of S2 (produces an annual yield of 12,500- 15,000 nuts) were identified. Further 90,000 hectares with groups S3 (annual yield of 110,000 - 12,500 nuts per hectare) , 116,000 hectares with group S4 and 28,300 hectares with group S5 were identified. Balance extent of lands were found no suitable for coconut. This soil survey report is to be made available to the persons in the area who are interested in growing coconuts. The reports reveals important data not only cultivation of coconuts ,but other crops as well. The growers may decide on the varieties suitable for respective

11. Administrative and accounting functions of the Ministry

11.1. Posts and staff of the Ministry

Post	Approved cadre	Filled	Vacant
Secretary	01	01	-
Addl. Secretary	02	01	01
Senior Asst. Secretary	01	01	01
Director	01	01	-
Chief Accountant	01	01	-
Asst Secretary	02	01	01
Deputy / Asst. Director (SLAS)	02	0	02
Deputy/ Asst. Director (SLPS)	01	0	01
Asst Director	02	02	0
Accountant	01	01	-
Internal Auditor	01	01	0
Administrative Officer	01	01	0
Translator	02	0	02
Information Tech.Officer	01	0	01
Development Assistant	10	03	07
Development Officer	733	436	297
Management Assistant	18	09	09
Driver	10	08	02
KKS	10	09	01

Index. 11.1 - Posts and staff in the Ministry

11.2. Administrative functions of the Ministry

Following main activities are carried out under administrative functions of the Ministry.

1. Day to day administrative and maintenance activities
2. Public petitions, complaints and appeals
3. Submission of annual reports
4. Supervision on all administrative matters of the affiliated institutions including recruitments, appointments, transfers, service extensions and worker disputes.

5. All Parliamentary matters
6. All matters pertaining to correspondence from the Presidential Secretariat
7. Local and foreign leave
8. All matters pertaining to Circulars
9. All recruitments, transfers and disciplinary matters under Graduate Trainee Scheme
10. All matters pertaining to Training of Ministry Officials.

Main activities in the Year 2013

1. Office of the Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development which was in a building owned by the Mahaweli Authority at No. 493/1, T.B.Jaya Mawatha, was sifted to 8th.Floor, Sethsiripaya-Stage II, Battaramulla on 07 March 2013.
2. Appropriate solutions were found without delay in respect of written representations received in the Ministry and in matters of serious and complicated nature, suitable solutions were found on the basis of reports obtained from respective organizations. All correspondence received in 2013 has been duly attended to.
3. Consultative Committee Meetings on Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development have been duly held and follow up action taken.
4. Matters pertaining to Recruitments, Appointments, Transfers and Extensions including labour disputes in the Ministry and the affiliated institutions have been duly attended to. Following recruitments and transfers have taken place. One State Management Assistant has resigned in 2013.

- **Recruitments and Inward Transfers**

Date	Designation	Number
02.10.2013	Asst. Director (new appointment)	01
12.04.2013	Senior Asst Secretary	01
	KKS	02

Index. 11.2 - Recruitments and Inward Transfers

The Ministry has recruited 398 Graduates in 2013 and 06 Graduates have left on transfers.

- **Outward Transfers**

Date	Designation	Transferred to
10.04.2013	Senior Asst Secretary	M/Youth Affairs and Skill Development
11.03.2013	KKS	Divisional Secretariat, Badalkumbura
03.06.2013	KKS	Ministry of Postal Services
13.06.2013	Driver	Divisional Secretariat, Thanamalwila
17.07.2013	KKS	Dvisional Secretariat, Lahugala
06.12.2013	Driver	Ministry of Resettlement

11.3. Outward Transfers

No retirements have taken place in 2013.

Annual report s of affiliated institutions for the following years have been submitted to the Parliament.

Institutions	Year
Chilaw Plantations Limited.	2010,2011,2012
Coconut Research Institute	2010,2011
Coconut Cultivation Board	2011
Kurunegala Plantations Limited	2012
Coconut Development Authority	2011, 2012

11.4. Annual Reports submitted by the Ministry

11.3. Accounting functions of the Ministry

Account Division of the Ministry consists a Chief Accountant and an Accountant with four subordinate permanent officers in State Management Assistants Service and one KKS. Three Development Officers are also attached to the Accounts Division.

Summary of Expenditure incurred under Ministry Head 178 in 2013 are as follows:

01. Minister's Office (Recurrent expenditure)

Rs.'000			
Vote	Description	Total Estimate	Actual Exp.
	Personal Emoluments	9,660	9,654
	Other expenses	18,970	18,760

Minister's Office (Capital Expenditure)

Rehabilitation and improvements to capital goods

2001	Buildings and structures	6,960	6,955
2002	Machinery and Equipment	1,400	1,379
2003	Vehicles	2,050	2,037

Procurement of capital goods

2101	Vehicles	8,962	8,962
2102	Furniture & Office Equipment	2,670	2,661
2103	Machinery & Equipment	150	-

02. **Ministry Office (Recurrent expenditure)**

Personal emoluments	60,744	60,628
Other expenses	49,724	49,338

Ministry Office (Capital Expenditure)

Rehabilitation and improvements to capital goods

2001	Buildings and structures	10,750	10,566
2002	Machinery and Equipment	500	500
2003	Vehicles	1,700	1,294

Procurement of capital goods

2101	Vehicles	6,130	6,129
2102	Furniture & Office Equipment	1,600	1,597
2103	Machinery & Equipment	350	-
2401	Training and Skill Development	450	441

Total allocation for this expenditure received from the General Treasury under Head 178 for incurring these expenses is Rs. 206,480,000.00.

Actual expenditure incurred in 2013 is as follows:

<u>Revenue Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actual Revenue</u>
20.02.01.01	Rent on state buildings	113,580.00
20.02.02.99	Interest-other	200,917.19
20.03.99.00	Sales and charges-other receipts	343,912.01

Details of Govt. Officers' Advance "B" Account

<u>Description</u>	<u>Minimum limit Expenditure</u>	<u>Maximum limit of Receipts</u>	<u>Maximum Limit of debit balance</u>
Limits authorized by Appropriation	4,00,000.00	800,000.00	8,000,000.00
Revised limits during the year Order No. 1			
Actual value at the end of the year	2,957,304.17	1,142,388.64	5,824,870.75
Adjustments under FR 503(i)	<u>1,006,463.00</u>	<u>732,311.00</u>	<u>-</u>
	3,963,767.17	1,874,699.64	5,824,870.75

11.4. COPE meetings in 2013

COPE Meetings in respect of Kurunegala Plantations Limited. and Chilaw Plantations Limited. were held March, 2013. These two companies were commended by the COPE on achievement of significant progress in 2012.

11.5. Auditing in the Ministry

Four Management and Audit Committee meetings were held in 2013. A total of 14 audit queries were received and duly replied in 2013.