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Government Notifications

ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF MULTIPURPOSE DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

IT is hereby notified to the Public that on 15th January of 2020 the “**Department of Multipurpose Development Task Force**” was established and its operation commenced under the scope of the Ministry of Defence, by Cabinet decision No. 19/3388/201/004 dated 19th December 2019 issued based on Cabinet Note No. PS/SP/Sec./Cab.P dated 09th December 2019 submitted by His Excellency the President Gotabaya Rajapaksa for the purpose of building a new, economically effective workforce through formal professional training, comprising 100,000 minimally educated, low income, poor among the poor Sri Lankan citizens with the objective of raising the economic standard of Sri Lankan citizens suffering from poverty in keeping with the President’s concept of “Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour.”

Priority functions fulfilled by the workforce

1. Assist the government agencies for state property maintenance and civil works.
2. Assist the schools and hospitals as caretaker works, maintenance and other work.
3. Assist in the Programmes to control the Dengue and other communicable diseases and environmental cleaning programmes.
4. Act as a support force to safeguard villages, properties, agrarian resources and livelihoods etc, where wildlife threats are present.
5. Assist the activities of mitigating natural disasters.



6. Assist in development of forests cover and conservation of natural environment.
7. Assist rural infrastructure development, food storage, distribution and logistics.
8. Assist 100,000 Divi Neguma families targeted in the policy statement to develop their backyard gardens, farms and other livelihood development work, housing and sanitation improvement work.
9. Undertake civil works connected with agricultural farming, land preparation and landscaping, sub-contracting etc.
10. Assist in coast conservation work programmes.
11. Assist as a supplementary Civil Force for aiding and assisting security forces and Police Service to provide community security.
12. Undertake agricultural farm management on a commercial basis.
13. Supply of manpower resources for construction activities to minimize the use of foreign labour.
14. Engage with special functions ordered by, the Minister (in charge of the subject) or the government.

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By Order of the Cabinet of Ministers,

Secretary,
Ministry of Defence.

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