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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

WELFARE BENEFITS ACT, No. 24 of 2002

BY virtue of powers vested in me by Section 09 of the Welfare Benefits Act, No. 24 of 2002, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, do hereby declare the Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme as specified in the following Schedules with effect from 15th June of 2024.

The Notifications published in the *Extraordinary Gazette Nos.* 2328/13 dated 21.04.2023 and No. 2372/03 dated 19.02.2024 are hereby rescinded.

RANIL WICKREMESINGHE,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies.

May 16th, 2024



ASWESUMA WELFARE BENEFIT PAYMENT SCHEME

SCHEDULE I

Table 1

Special Welfare Benefit Allowance applicable only to the Month of June 2024

	<i>Social Segment to receive the Welfare Benefits Payments</i>	<i>Number of Welfare Beneficiaries/ Families</i>	<i>Special Welfare Benefit Allowance applicable only to the Month of June 2024 (Rs.)*</i>
I.	Transitional	400,000	30,000
II.	Vulnerable	400,000	15,000
III.	Poor	800,000	8,500
IV.	Extremely Poor	400,000	15,000

* Note - In case where the number of family members stands at 02 or less than 02, only a half of the aforementioned allowance shall be paid to the beneficiaries.

Table 2

Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme from July 2024

	<i>Social Segment to receive the Welfare Benefits Payments</i>	<i>Period of payment</i>	<i>Number of Welfare Beneficiaries/ Families *</i>	<i>Proposed Monthly Welfare Allowance per Family Unit (Rs.)**</i>
I.	Transitional/ Vulnerable	From 01.07.2024 to 31.12.2024	960,000	5,000
II.	Poor	From 01.07.2024 to 30.06.2026	960,000	8,500
III.	Extremely Poor	From 01.07.2024 to 30.06.2026	480,000	15,000

* Note - These figures may subject to slight changes on the basis of estimating the beneficiary families.

** Note - In case where the number of family members stands at 02 or less than 02, only a half of the aforementioned allowance shall be paid to the beneficiaries.

SCHEDULE II

Payments to be made in respect of differently-abled persons, patients of chronic kidney disease of unknown etiology (CKDU), and recipients of the monthly allowance granted for elderly citizens

<i>Social Segment to receive the Welfare Benefits</i>		<i>Projected Number of individuals to be eligible for welfare benefits</i>	<i>Monthly Welfare Benefit Allowance (Rs.)</i>
I.	Differently-abled persons receiving the aid	410,000	7,500
II.	Recipients of CKDU Allowance	50,000	7,500
III.	Recipients of the monthly allowance granted for elderly citizens	820,000	3,000

**** Note - Payments specified in the Schedule II shall be paid from 01.07.2024 to 30.06.2025. The payments in respect of the beneficiaries identified through the welfare beneficiary list shall be paid through Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme effective from 01.07.2024.**

Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme published in the *Gazette Notification No. 2328/13* dated April 21, 2023 is hereby rescinded and however, such payments related to Schedule I shall be made up to 31.12.2023 with respect to the beneficiaries whose payments have been delayed due to various reasons and to the applicants who will subsequently be entitled for this scheme upon their eligibility for selection from those who have already forwarded their appeals and investigations are still underway.

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