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#### Greetings!

As you have been appointed as members of the Task Force on Sri Lanka's Education Affairs, established by the Presidential Directive dated 31st March, 2020 exercising the powers vested in me by Article 33 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka,

And whereas, I have, in terms of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, appointed new Cabinet of Ministers, State Ministers, Secretaries to Ministries, and Secretaries to State Ministries following the Parliamentary Election held on 05th August, 2020,

And whereas, the Ministries of Higher Education, Technology, Innovation and Skills Development, Employment and Labour Relations, no longer exists and the scope of these Ministries has been allocated to the Ministry of Education and the State Ministry of Women and Child Development, Pre-School and Primary Education, School Infrastructure and Education Services, the State Ministry of Education Reforms, Open University and Distance Learning Promotion, the State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation and the State Ministries of Dhamma Schools, Bhikku Education, Piriven and Buddhist Universities which are newly established under the said Ministry of Education and whereas I am of the view that the new Secretaries of the Ministry of Education and these State Ministries should be appointed as members of the aforesaid Task Force,

Also, whereas, new Vice Chancellors have been appointed in place of Acting Vice Chancellors to the Universities of Sri Jayewardenepura, Kelaniya, Jaffna, and Wayamba and a new Vice Chancellor has been appointed for the University of Moratuwa,

- I, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, in accordance with the powers vested in me by Article 33 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, appoint the below mentioned Secretary to the Ministry, Secretaries to State Ministries and Vice Chancellors of Universities as members of the Task Force on Sri Lanka's Education Affairs, established under the aforesaid Presidential Directive in place of the members of the said Task Force referred to at 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 17, by reposing great trust, and confidence in their prudence, ability and fidelity.
  - 1. Prof. Kapila Perera Esquire Secretary to the Ministry of Education
  - Mrs. K.M.D.S. Jayasekara Secretary to the State Ministry of Women and Child Development, Pre-Schools and Primary Education, School Infrastructure and Education Services

#### 3. Dr. M. Upali Sedara Esquire

Secretary to the State Ministry of Education Reforms, Open Universities & Distance Learning Promotion

#### 4. N.H.M. Chithrananda Esquire

Secretary to the State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation

#### 5. S.H. Harischandra Esquire

Secretary to the State Ministry of Dhamma Schools, Bhikkhu Education, Piriven & Buddhist Universities

### 6. Senior Prof. Sudantha Liyanage Esquire

Vice Chancellor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura

#### 7. Prof. (Ms.) N.R. de Silva

Vice Chancellor of University of Kelaniya

#### 8. Prof. N.D. Gunawardana

Vice Chancellor of University of Moratuwa

#### 9. Prof. S. Sri Sathkunaraja Esquire

Vice Chancellor of University of Jaffna

### 10. Senior Prof. J.M.U.K. Jayasinghe Esquire

Vice Chancellor of University of Wayamba

And, I further appoint, Secretary to the Ministry of Education, Prof. Kapila Perera Esquire, as the Chairman of the said Task Force,

And, Additional Secretary to the State Ministry of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation Ms. Deepa Liyanage, as the Secretary of this Task Force.

Given at Colombo under the Seal of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the 22nd day of September Two Thousand and Twenty.

By His Excellency's Command,

**P. B. JAYASUNDERA,** Secretary to the President.