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## PART I : SECTION – GENERAL

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS

#### PILGRIMAGE ORDINANCE (CHAPTER No. 175)

##### The Pageant In Which The Statute Of Deity Sri Sumana Saman And The Encloser Casket With Relics Will Be Carried To The Sri-Pada

EIGHT years after the entering in to the world great Bddha-hood, place the respectful foot emblem on the top of the Samantha-Kuta Summit in view of the invitation of the deity Sri Sumana Saman and made Sri Lanka purified. On that day onwards it was respected and worshiped and revered by the Kings and high esteems.

The statute of the deity Sri Sumana Saman is deposited in the Deity's Palace in the Sri Pada Raja Maha Vihara Temple situated in Galpoththawala of Kuttapitiya Village in the Pelmadulla of Nawadun Korale of Ratnapura District in the Sabaragamu Province during the off season.

1. On the day before full moon Poya of Unduwap of the year 2017, the ceremonial pageant in which the statute of the deity Sri Sumana Saman and the Enclosure Casket with Relics will be carried from Galpoththawala Sri Rajamaha Vihara to mount Samantha-kuta as follows:–

\* The statute of the deity will be open to devotees for offerings and worshipping from 01.12.2017 at 5.00 p.m. to 02.12.2017 5.00 a.m.

\* Early in the morning of 02.12.2017, the pageant will start from Sri Pada Raja Maha Vihara.

1. At 05.02 am the vehicle pageant will be conducted from Sri Pada Raja Maha Vihara to Official Arama at Nall-thanni through Hatton Road.
2. At 06.01 am the vehicle pageant will be conducted from Sri Pada Raja Maha Vihara to Palabaddala Temple through Rathnapura Road.
3. At 07.54 am from Sri Pada Raja Maha Vihara to Official Arama at Nall-thanni through Balangoda Road.



Thereafter through Royal Road and Hatton Road the statute of the deity and the Enclosure Casket with Relics will be carried in "Dolawa" up to the top of the Samantha Kuta Summit and the pageant and the ceremony will be ended.\*

\*The priority should be given to vehicles nominated by the Chief incumbent Thero and the other vehicles should follow-suit after those vehicles without obstructing the line-up.

2. Here by declare that trading in the Temple premises is prohibited. The conducting of Trading activities and Dansal could be done along the main road and the by-roads up to the Sri Pada Vihara but without any obstruction to the devotees and the Pageant.
3. Hereby declare that collection of aids and contributions are prohibited from Pelmadulla Town up to Sri Pada Temple premises.
4. Hereby declare that parking of private vehicles from the main road to Sri Pada Temple obstructing the devotees and pageant is prohibited.
5. The Ceylon Electricity Board and the Pradeshiya Shabawa of Pelmadulla are entrusted with the work of fixing street Lamps and extra lamps in the Temple premises and its surroundings roads.
6. Prior to and after the pageant festival matters related to health care and sanitary and removal of garbage are entrusted with the Pelmadulla Pradeshiya Shabawa and office of the Medical officer of Health.
7. The branch office of the Water Supplies and Drainage Board is entrusted with the work of provision of water by keeping extra water tanks.
8. The Police and Security Services are entrusted with all sort of security measures on the traffic controlling required for uninterrupted conduct of the Pageant and moments of devotees.
9. The statute and the Relics will be worshipped and offerings will be given at the Sri Pada Station for six months and after the day of coming Wesak Poya Day those will be deposited at Deity's Palace at Raja Maha Vihara of Galpoththawala and worshipped and offerings will be given. The above 8 orders are valid until that day.

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