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Government Notifications

AMENDMENT

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Orders

REGULATIONS mentioned in the following paragraphs, numbered as First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth published in the Government *Gazette Extraordinary* Number 2112/32 dated 28.02.2019, of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the Meritorious Service Medal are hereby amended:

First Paragraph: Style and Designation - It is ordained that the medal shall be styled and designated the

"SEVABHIMANI PADAKKAMA".

Second Paragraph: Description - It is ordained that the medal shall be of Gold colour metal and the flower of eight

petals in shape, with a diameter of 3.7 cm bearing in the centre of the surface a design comprising an Eagle in flight head to the sinister superimposed on an Anchor with a chain twined around it, the whole superimposed upon two crossed swords points uppermost surrounded by the legend "SEVABHIMANI PADAKKAMA" embossed in Sinhala, Tamil and English and in the relief on the reverse the Armorial Ensign of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka surrounded by a lotus petal border within aears of paddy surrounded by the wheel of Doctrine with the filled Vessel at the base and the depiction of Sun in splendour and the Moon on the right and left respectively and

the year of institution "2009" embossed below it.



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Fourth Paragraph:

Eligibility - It is ordained that the medal shall be granted to the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and all Ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Forces of the Army, Navy and Air Force of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and members of the Sri Lanka Police, for the valuable contribution made since 19.05.2009 for the post-war activities, count not less than Six years of aggregate service excluding the basic training period with a good conduct and the permanent civil staff members with Six Years of aggregate service in Armed Services and Affiliates of the Sri Lanka Police subject to the regulations hereinafter made.

Fifth Paragraph:

Registration - It is ordained that the names of all those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be published in the respective Service Orders and the register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commander. It is ordained that a register of the names of the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka shall be maintained under the Ministry of Defence.

Sixth Paragraph:

Order of Wear - It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals are to be worn, the Sevabhimani Padakkama shall be worn immediately after the Sri Lanka Armed Service Long Service Medal.

Seventh Paragraph:

Miniatures -It is ordained that reproductions in miniature known as Miniature Medal; which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of the medal and a sealed pattern of the miniature medal shall be kept in the Headquarters of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police.

By His Excellency's command,

UDAYA R SENEVIRATNE, Secretary to the President.

AMENDMENT

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

Orders

Regulations mentioned in the following paragraphs, numbered as 1,4,6,8,9,13 and 14 published in the Government *Gazette Extraordinary* Number 2112/32 dated 28.02.2019, of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the Meritorious Service Medal are hereby amended by His Excellency the President:

By His Excellency's command,

 $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Udaya} \ R \ \mbox{Seneviratne,} \\ \mbox{Secretary to the President.} \end{array}$

Office of Secretary to the President, Colombo, 16th October 2019.

SEVABHIMANI PADAKKAMA

- 1. The Medal shall be awarded to the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the valuable contribution made since 19.05.2009 and all Ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Forces of the Army, Navy and Air Force and members of the Sri Lanka Police who have been in active service on Nineteen day of May Two Thousand Nine or thereafter, and who have completed an aggregate period of Six Years excluding the basic training period with a good conduct and the permanent civil staff members with Six years of aggregate service in Armed Services and Affiliates of the Sri Lank Police.
- 4. A Board of not less than three Senior Officers nominated by the respective Service Commanders will examine the recommendations made for the award of the SEVABHIMANI PADAKKAMA. The recommendations of the Board along with the recommendations of the respective Service Commanders will be forwarded to His Excellency the President through the Secretary, Defence for His Excellency's approval. The recommendations of the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence and the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka should be sent directly by the Secretary of Defence for His Excellency's approval.
- 6. The names of persons whom the Medal is conferred upon, shall be published in the respective Service Orders and a register of all such recipients shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commander.
- 8. Any Officer of the Sri Lanka Army, Navy, Air Force and Police who is cashiered, dismissed or has been called upon to resign or retire his Commission, shall forfeit the Medal conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.
- 9. Every Soldier, Seaman, Airman and Policemen who has been discharged from the Army, Navy and Air Force with disgrace or with ignominy, shall forfeit the Medal unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.
- 13. In an event where a Medal is lost, and if it is desirous to replace it, such a loss should be reported to the Police. A declaration testified by a Justice of the Peace stating the circumstances under which the loss occurred should be submitted along with a copy of the complaint made to the Police. This declaration shall be forwarded to the Commanding Officer who will forward it to the respective Service Commander through the usual channel of communication. The Medal lost therewith will be replaced on payment if the explanation as to the loss is considered satisfactory.

14. In those Regulations -

(a) "Services" means

- The Sri Lanka Army,
The Sri Lanka Navy,
The Sri Lanka Air Force,

(b) "Police" means The Sri Lanka Police.

(c) "Service Commanders" means
 The Commander of the Army,
 The Commander of the Navy,
 The Commander of the Air Force,

(d) "Inspector General" means - The Inspector General of Police.

(e) "Military Personnel" means - Army, Navy and Air Force personnel

(f) "Member of Police" means - Police Personnel

(g) "Member of the Civil Staff" means - Civilians working in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police.

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(h) "Army" means - The Sri Lanka Army

(i) "Navy" means - The Sri Lanka Navy

(j) "Air Force" means - The Sri Lanka Air Force

(k) "Police" means - The Sri Lanka Police

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AMENDMENT

SERVICE MEDAL

Orders

REGULATIONS mentioned in the following paragraphs, numbered as Second, Fourth, and Fifth published in the Government *Gazette Extraordinary* Number 2112/32 dated 28.02.2019, of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the Service Medal are hereby amended:

Second Paragraph:

Description - It is ordained that the medal shall be of Rose Gold colour metal and square in shape curved at four corners, with four straight sides in equal length of 2.2 cm bearing in the centre of the surface a design comprising an Eagle in flight head to the sinister superimposed on an Anchor with a chain twined around it, the whole superimposed upon two crossed swords points uppermost surrounded by the legend 'SERVICE MEDAL' embossed in Sinhala, Tamil and English and in the relief on the reverse the Armorial Ensign of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka surrounded by a lotus petal border within a ears of paddy surrounded by the wheel of Doctrine with the filled Vessel at the base and the depiction of Sun in splendour and the Moon on the right and left respectively and the year of institution "2009" embossed below it.

Fourth Paragraph:

Eligibility - It is ordained that the medal shall be granted to the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and all Ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Forces of the Army, Navy and Air Force of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and members of the Sri Lanka Police, for the valuable contribution made since 19.05.2009, for the post-war activities, count not less than Three years of aggregate service excluding the basic training period with a good conduct and the permanent civil staff members with three years of aggregate service in Armed Services and Affiliates of the Sri Lanka Police subject to the regulations hereinafter made.

Fifth Paragraph:

Registration - It is ordained that the names of all those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be published in the respective Service Orders and the register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commander and Inspector General of Police. It is ordained that a register of the names of the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka shall be maintained under the Ministry of Defence.

Sixth Paragraph:

Order of Wear - It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals are to be worn, the Service Medal shall be worn immediately after the SEVABHIMANE PADAKKAMA.

Seventh Paragraph: *Miniatures* - It is ordained that reproductions in miniature known as Miniature Medal; which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of the medal and a sealed pattern of the miniature medal shall be kept in the Headquarters of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police.

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UDAYA R SENEVIRATNE, Secretary to the President.

Office of Secretary to the President, Colombo, 16th October 2019.

SEVA PADAKKAMA

- 1. The Medal shall be awarded to the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the valuable contribution made since 19.05.2009 and all Ranks of the Regular and Volunteer Forces of the Army, Navy and Air Force and members of the Sri Lanka Police who have been in active service on Nineteen day of May Two Thousand Nine or thereafter, and who have completed an aggregate period of Three Years excluding the basic training period with a good conduct and the permanent civil staff members with three years of aggregate service in Armed Services and Affiliates of the Sri Lanka Police.
- 4. A Board of not less than three Senior Officers nominated by the respective Service Commanders and Inspector General of Police will examine the recommendations made for the award of the SERVICE MEDAL. The recommendations of the Board along with the recommendations of the respective Service Commanders and Inspector General of Police will be forwarded to His Excellency the President through the Secretary of Defence, for His Excellency's approval. The recommendations of the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence and the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka should be sent directly by the Secretary of Defence for His Excellency's approval.
- 6. The names of persons whom the Medal is conferred upon, shall be published in the respective Service Orders and a register of all such recipients shall be maintained under the direction of the respective Service Commanders and Inspector General of Police. A register of the names of the Minister of Defence, the State Minister of Defence, the Secretary of Defence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka shall be maintained under the Ministry of Defence.

- 8. Any Officer of the Sri Lanka Army, Navy, Air Force and Police who is cashiered, dismissed or has been called upon to resign or retire his Commission, shall forfeit the Medal conferred on him unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.
- 9. Every Soldier, Seaman, Airman and Policemen who has been discharged from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Police with disgrace or with ignominy, shall forfeit the Medal unless His Excellency the President shall direct otherwise.
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"Air Force" means The Sri Lanka Air Force (j)

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