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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

CONSTITUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

Notification

IT is hereby notified that the notification issued by me in the exercise of powers vested in me under Articles 44 (1), 45 (1) and 47 (1) (a) (b) respectively of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and published in the *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 2187/27 of 09th August, 2020 and amended by time to time, is further amended with effect from 18th November, 2020 in the manner set out below.

GOTABAYA RAJAPAKSA,
President.

Presidential Secretariat,
Colombo 01,
November 20, 2020.



- (1) “01. Purview, 02. Subjects and Functions, 03. National Priorities and 04. Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading “Presidential Secretariat – National Priority Programme” of the said Notification is as follows:-

01. Purview

Providing Guidance at the national level towards a strategic approach with sustainable investment to ensure effective people-centered service delivery and economic and social empowerment to create a secure country by eradicating poverty.

02. Subjects and Functions

Directing the below mentioned Statutory Boards and Entities, as well as Task Forces in pursuit of the anticipated targets, their supervision and monitoring in line with the Policy Statement; “Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour” and based on the National Policies being implemented thus enlisting the assistance of the above Task Forces and in co-ordination with the concerned Ministries and in compliance with the applicable Rules and Regulations.

03. National Priorities

1. Coordinating and implementation of activities in relation to the subject areas of all Ministries with the Presidential Task Forces on National Security, Preventing the Risk of the Spread of Covid-19 Pandemic, Eliminating Drugs, Archeological Conservation, Education Reforms, Eradicating Poverty and Economic Revival.
2. Expanding local and foreign investment facilities for export and import substitute productions benefiting all parties thereby eradicating poverty through national development programme spelt out in the policy statement: "Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour"
3. Expanding other development centres required for the overall national economic development by developing Colombo, Hambanthota, Jaffna and Trincomalee as multifaceted national and international centres and Kandy, Anuradhapura, Gampaha, Ratnapura, Galle, Badulla, Mannar, Batticaloa and Kurunegala as national centres.

04. Institutional and Legal Framework

Institution	Laws and Acts to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board of Investment of Sri Lanka 2. Colombo Port City Project 3. Presidential Task Force to study and provide instructions on measures to be taken by all Armed Forces to prevent Corona virus infection among Members of the Tri-Forces 4. Presidential Task Force to build a Secure Country, Disciplined, Virtuous and Lawful Society 5. Covid-19 Ministerial Task Force 6. Presidential Task Force for Archaeological Heritage Management in the Eastern Province 7. Presidential Task Force on Sri Lanka's Education Affairs 8. Presidential Task Force for Economic Revival and Poverty Alleviation 	Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law (Board of Investment of Sri Lanka Law, No. 4 of 1978)

(2) “01. Purview, 02. Subjects and Functions, 03. Special Priorities and 04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading “No. 1.0 Minister of Defence” of the said Notification is as follows:-

1.0 Minister of Defence

01. Purview

Ensuring the national security, first and foremost safeguarding the aspirations of the people of Sri Lanka as a unitary sovereign state.

02. Subjects and Functions

1. Providing policy guidance to relevant State Ministry, and formulating policies in relation to the subject of Defence, in conformity with the prescribed Laws, Acts and Ordinances, implementation of projects under the national budget, state Investment and National Development Programme, and formulating, implementing, monitoring and evaluating policies, programmes and projects, related to subjects and tasks under below-mentioned Departments, State Corporations and Statutory Institutions for the creation of a "Secured country" based on the national policies implemented by the government, and in line with the policy statement "Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour".
2. Initiating necessary measures to ensure National Security.
3. Implementing all actions necessary to rid the country of crime, drugs, money laundering and corruption while ensuring military security as well as state security, cyber security, food security.
4. Creating a secure environment in the country that facilitates foreign and local investment opportunities, as well as state and private economic activities.

03. Special Priorities

1. Control of internal riots, terrorist activities and protection from external influences
2. Prevention of illegal smuggling of goods and services in violation of maritime boundaries
3. Creation of a country free from drugs by working jointly with the relevant Presidential Task Force for prevention of the influx of drugs into the country, control of the drug menace, prevention from falling prey to drugs, rehabilitation of those addicted to drugs.

04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Office of the Chief of Defence Staff 2. Sri Lanka Army 3. Sri Lanka Navy 4. Sri Lanka Air Force 5. State Intelligence Service 6. Coast Guard Department of Sri Lanka 7. Sir John Kotelawala Defence University 8. Defence Services Command and Staff College 9. National Cadet Corps 10. Miloda Institute (Academy of Financial Studies) as a Faculty of Kotelawala Defence University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief of Defence Staff Act, No. 35 of 2009 • Army Act, No. 17 of 1949 • Navy Act, No. 34 of 1950 • Air Force Act, No. 41 of 1949 • Department of Coast Guard Act, No. 41 of 2009 • Extradition Law, No. 8 of 1977 • Defence Services Command and Staff College Act, No. 5 of 2008 • Explosives Act, No. 21 of 1956 • Firearms Ordinance No. 33 of 1916 • Firing Ranges and Military Training Act, No. 24 of 1951 • Mobilization of Supplementary Force Act, No. 40 of 1985 • Offensive Weapons Act, No. 18 of 1966 • Piracy Act, No. 9 of 2001

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prevention of Terrorism Act, No. 48 of 1979 Public Security Ordinance, No. 25 of 1947 Sir John Kotelawala Defence Academy Act, No. 68 of 1981 Suppression of Terrorist Bombings Act, No. 11 of 1999 Suppression of Unlawful Acts Against the Safety of Maritime Navigation Act, No. 42 of 2000

- (3) The Heading “No. 1.1 State Minister of Internal Security, Home Affairs and Disaster Management” and “01. Subjects and Functions, 02. Special Priorities and 03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under thereof in that notification is as follows;

1.1 State Minister of National Security, Home Affairs and Disaster Management

01. Subjects and Functions

Assisting in the formulation of policies in relation to the subject of National Security, Home Affairs and Disaster Management for the creation of a "secure country" under the direction and guidance of the Minister of Defence in conformity with the prescribed Laws, Acts and Ordinances and implementing, projects under the National Budget, State Investment and National Development Programme, and implementing, monitoring and evaluating subjects and functions of the below-mentioned Departments, State Corporations and Statutory Organizations.

02. Special Priorities

1. Strengthening the delivery of citizen-centric services provided by District Secretariats and Divisional Secretariats.
2. Administration, services and welfare activities relating to retired deceased and disabled personnel who served in the tri-forces and members of their families
3. Strengthening regulation of NGOs through necessary legal and institutional frameworks to act with people-centric focus, transparency and social responsibility.
4. Modernizing the administration of immigration and emigration and maintaining it as an efficient service.
5. Strengthening institutional structures by coordinating risk management centres and relief service centres for early identification of risks related to natural disasters, disaster prevention, disaster mitigation and efficiently restoring affected parties.
6. Strengthening the Department of Meteorology with state-of-the-art technology and knowledge to accurately forecast disaster situations.
7. Developing a “National Disaster Database” comprising disaster affected areas, disaster vulnerable areas, persons, properties, businesses and agricultural lands affected by disasters.

03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All District Secretariats and Divisional Secretariats 2. Department of Registrar General 3. Department of Immigration and Emigration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transfer of Powers (Divisional Secretaries) Act, No. 58 of 1992 Leave Act, No. 29 of 1971 Births and Deaths Registration Act, No.17 of 1951

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Secretariat for Non-Governmental Organizations 5. National Disaster Management Council 6. Disaster Management Centre 7. National Disaster Relief Services Centre 8. Department of Meteorology 9. National Building Research Organization 10. Rakna Arakshana Lanka Ltd. 11. National Authority for the implementation of Chemical Weapons Convention 12. National Dangerous Drugs Control Board 13. Defence Services School 14. National Defence Fund 15. Defence Research and Development Centre 16. Sri Lanka Institute of National Defence Studies 17. Sri Lanka Institute of National Defence Studies 18. Ranaviru Seva Authority 19. Api Wenuwen Api Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kandyan Marriage and Divorce Act, No. 44 of 1952 • Marriage and Divorce (Muslim) Act, No. 13 of 1951 • Notaries Ordinance No. 1 of 1907 • Registration of Documents Ordinance No. 23 of 1927 • Marriage Registration (General) Ordinance No. 19 of 1907 • Trust Ordinance No. 09 of 1917 • Land (Restrictions on Alienation) Act, No. 38 of 2014 • Stamp Act, No. 12 of 2006 • Increase of Fines Act, No. 12 of 2005 • Revocation of Irrevocable Deeds of Gift on the Ground of Gross Ingratitude Act, No. 05 of 2017 • Apartment Ownership Act, No. 11 of 1973 • Power of Attorney Ordinance No. 4 of 1902 • Land Development Ordinance No. 16 of 1969 • Adoption of Children Ordinance, No. 24 of 1941 • Consular Functions Act, No. 4 of 1981 • Registration of Deaths (Temporary) Act, No. 16 of 2016 • Registration of Deaths (Temporary Provisions) Act, No. 19 of 2010 • Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998 • Immigrants and Emigrants Act, No. 20 of 1948 • Citizenship Act, No. 18 of 1948 • Grant of Citizenship to Persons of Indian Origin Act, No. 35 of 2003 • Grant of Citizenship to Stateless Persons Act, No. 5 of 1986 • Grant of Citizenship to Stateless Persons (Special Provisions) Act, No. 39 of 1988 • Voluntary Social Service Organizations (Registration and Supervision) Act, No. 31 of 1980 • Sri Lanka Disaster Management Act, No. 13 of 2005 • Chemical Weapons Convention Act, No. 58 of 2007 • Private Security Agencies Act, No. 45 of 1998 • Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, No. 1 of 2008 • Drug Dependent Persons (Treatment and Rehabilitation) Act, No. 54 of 2007 • National Dangerous Drugs Control Board Act, No. 11 of 1984 • Ranaviru Seva Authority Act, No. 54 of 1999 • Api Wenuwen Api Fund Act, No. 6 of 2008

- (4) “By insertion of the following new Heading and “01. Purview, 02. Subjects and Functions, 03. Special Priorities and 04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under thereof before the Heading No. “2.0 Minister of Finance in that notification;

2.0 Minister of Technology

01. Purview

Establishment of digital governance services for efficient management of health education, welfare and government services, as well as business sector by coordinating optimal information technology with national and international electronic networks.

02. Subjects and Functions

Creating people-centric economic and social development by directing, supervising and monitoring the below mentioned Departments, State Corporations and Statutory Organizations, as well as Presidential Task Forces towards achievement of anticipated targets in line with the Policy Statement: “Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour” and based on the National Policies being implemented, enlisting the assistance of the above Presidential Task Forces, and in coordination with the relevant ministries and in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations.

03. Special Priorities

1. Expansion of digital governance using information technology as a tool for providing efficient and people-centered services and knowledge exchange by simplifying the process of government machinery and market sectors.
2. Installing of international e-commerce and international electronic payment systems.
3. Establishment of a countrywide high speed data exchange system and related mobile network system.
4. Development of new laws and institutional framework for data protection, cyber security and intellectual property rights.
5. Introducing the legal system and regulatory framework required for digital governance and institutional structure, highlighting Sri Lanka’s uniqueness in the sectors of environmental sensitivity, information technology, knowledge and skills, health, tourism and sports.
6. Transforming to a technology enterprise economy by expanding enterprise development technological infrastructure and related services to expand the export contribution of the technology sector and the knowledge and professional service contribution of the national economy.
7. Establishment of Techno Parks to create high income generating jobs for the youth through transition to technology focused investments, businesses, entrepreneurship and allied service industries.

04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Telecommunication Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka and Allied Institutions 2. Information and Communication Technology Agency and Allied Institutions 3. Sri Lanka Computer Emergency Readiness Team 4. Sri Lanka Telecom and its Subsidiaries and Allied Institutions 5. Industrial Technology Institute 6. Sri Lanka Institute of Nano Technology (Pvt.) Ltd. 7. National science and technology Commission 8. All Information Technology Parks 9. Sri Lanka Standard Institute 10. Department of Registration of Persons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telecommunications Act, No. 25 of 1991 • Information and Communication Technology Act, No. 27 of 2003 • Electronic Transactions Act, No. 19 of 2006 • Sri Lanka Standard Institute Act, No. 6 of 1984 • Registration of Persons Act, No. 32 of 1968 • Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994

- (5) By re-numbering from the Heading No. “2.0 Minister of Finance” of the said Notification;
- (6) “02. Special Priorities and 03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading “No. 4.1 State Minister of National Heritage, Performing Arts and Rural Arts Promotion” of the said Notification is as follows:-

02. Special Priorities

1. Implementing programmes to enhance the productivity of institutions for the conservation of national heritages
2. Provision of facilities for the promotion of published literature, dramas, cinema, arts, sculpture, music and dancing industries
3. Introducing a systematic mechanism in accordance with recognized international conventions for the payment of locally based royalties
4. Establishing a fully-fledged theatre resort and formulating an institutional structure to create a programme guaranteeing the professional security of artists
5. Provision of special facilities for the preservation and exhibition of artistic creations
6. Implementing programmes in co-ordination with the Ministry of Tourism to provide space for performing arts exhibitions of traditional and modern dancers and for artists and sculptors to market their products at tourist hotels and at places with tourist attraction.
7. Co-ordinating with the Presidential Task Force on Archaeological Heritage Management in the Eastern Province.

03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tower Hall Theatre Foundation 2. National Arts Council 3. Gramodaya Folk Arts Centre 4. Galle Heritage Foundation 5. Mahinda Rajapaksa National Tele Cinema Park 6. National Performing Arts Theatre (Nelum Pokuna) 7. Department of Archaeology 8. Ape Gama –Excluding Office Premises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tower Hall Theatre Foundation Act, No. 01 of 1978 • Sigiri Heritage Foundation Act, No.62 of 1998 • Galle Heritage Foundation Act, No. 07 of 1994 • Antiquities Ordinance, No. 09 of 1940

- (7) “03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading No. “9.3 State Minister of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation” of the said Notification is as follows:-

03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. National Institute of Business Management and affiliated institutions 2. University of Vocational Technology 3. National Institute of Fisheries and Nautical Engineering (Ocean University) 4. Vocational Training Authority of Sri Lanka 5. National Apprenticeship and Industrial Training Authority 6. Ceylon German Technical Training Institute 7. Sri Lanka Institute of Printing 8. Department of Technical Education and Training 9. National Institute of Fundamental Studies 10. Sri Lanka Inventors’ Commission 11. National Engineering Research And Development Centre 12. National Research Council 13. Secretariat of Science Technology & Innovation 14. Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission 15. National Science Foundation 16. Planetarium of Sri Lanka 17. Arthur C. Clarke Centre for Modern Technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Vocational Technology Act, No. 31 of 2008 • Ocean University of Sri Lanka Act, No 31 of 2014 • National Institute of Business Management Law, No. 23 of 1976 • Vocational Training Authority of Sri Lanka Act, No. 12 of 1995 • Sri Lanka Institute of Printing Act, No. 18 of 1984 • National Innovation Agency Act, No 22 of 2019 • Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 • Sri Lanka National Research Council Act, No. 11 of 2016 • Sri Lanka Inventors Incentives Act, No. 53 of 1979 • National Institute of Technical Education of Sri Lanka Act, No. 59 of 1998 • State Industries Corporations Act, No. 49 of 1957 • Tertiary and Vocational Education Act, No. 20 of 1990 • Institute of Fundamental Studies, Sri Lanka Act, No. 55 of 1981 • Ceylon German Technical Training Institut Act, No. 15 of 2017

- (8) “04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading No. 27.0 Minister of Trade” of the said Notification is as follows:-

04. Related Institutions and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sri Lanka Export Development Board 2. Lanka Sathosa Ltd. 3. Lanka General Trading Company Ltd. 4. Co-operative Wholesale Establishment 5. Department of Measurement Units, Standards and Services 6. Food Commissioner’s Department 7. Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment 8. National Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka 9. Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sri Lanka Export Development Board Act, No. 40 of 1979 • Co-operative Wholesale Establishment Act, No. 44 of 1949 • Enforcement of the Licensing of Traders Act, No. 62 of 1961 • Measurement Units, Standards and Services Act, No. 35 of 1995 • Weights and Measures Ordinance, No. 37 of 1946 • Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Act, No. 66 of 1981 • Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment Act, No. 32 of 2005 • Intellectual Property Act, No. 36 of 2003

- (9) “03. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under the Heading No. “28.3 State Minister of Rattan, Brass, Pottery, Furniture and Rural Industrial Promotion” of the said Notification is as follows:-

03. Related Institutions and Legal Framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Timber-related design centre 2. Vidatha Centres 3. National Crafts Council 4. Ape Gama – Office Premises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Crafts Council and allied Institutions Act, No. 35 of 1982 • National Crafts Council and allied Institutions (Special Provisions) Act, No. 4 of 1996

- (10) “By insertion the following new Heading and “01. Purview, 02. Subjects and Functions, 03. Special Priorities, 04. Related Institutional and Legal Framework” under thereof immediate after the Heading No. “29.0 Minister of Mass Media”

30.0 Minister of Public Security

01. Purview

Ensuring public security and maintaining law and order by creating a conducive environment for all citizens to live freely without fear or suspicion

02. Subjects and Functions

Formulating policies in relation to the subject of Public Security in conformity with the prescribed Laws, Acts and Ordinances, implementation of projects under the national budget, State Investment and National Development Programme, and formulating, implementing, monitoring and evaluating policies, programmes and

projects, related to subjects and tasks under below-mentioned Departments, State Corporations and Statutory Institutions for ensuring public security based on the national policies implemented by the Government, and in line with the policy statement "Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour".

03. Special Priorities

1. Improving the service standards of the Sri Lanka Police with the objective of ensuring public safety.
2. Strengthening the Civil Security Department for the security and welfare of rural communities.
3. Implementing the programme with religious centers, social organizations and public and private sectors to rid the society from the menace of drugs at the community level as well as for children in schools and educational institutions, public and private work places.
4. Take necessary measures to prevent extremism and terrorism with the aim of ensuring internal security.
5. Control and suppression of robberies, murders, anti-social activities and crimes to keep public life safe.
6. Maintaining the necessary care for all citizens of the country, especially for women and children, to live their lives freely.
7. Reorganizing and modernizing the Traffic Police using modern technologies and techniques to enforce a systematic traffic regulation system and legal framework in order to prevent disorderly use of vehicles on roads, road accidents, deaths, injuries and hospitalizations and irregular and careless driving, violations of lane rules and road signs, as well as to reduce traffic congestion, especially in urban areas, caused by irregular driving and roadside parking.
8. Directing to the Multipurpose Development Task Force for on Poverty Alleviation as well as other development activities to increase the employment and livelihood contribution of poor families for multi-purpose development activities.

04. Relevant institutional and legal framework

Departments, Statutory Institutions and Public Corporations	Laws and Ordinance to be Implemented
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sri Lanka Police 2. National Police Academy 3. Civil Security Department 4. Department of Multipurpose Development Task Force 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police Ordinance No. 16 of 1865 • National Police Academy Act, No. 44 of 2011