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All District Secretaries,

## Gamperaliya - Rapid Rural Development Programme (RRDP) - 2018

In terms of the Cabinet decision dated 03.07.2018, Government has decided to implement a Rapid Rural Development Programme(RRDA) to support livelihood development of the people and acceleration of economic growth, while improving the quality of infrastructure in the country.

02. Accordingly, a programme called *Gamperaliya* has been designed for implementing island- wide on an accelerated basis, comprising twelve areas as shown in the Table below;

Areas of work	No. of Units	Cost Ceiling
1.Rehabilitation of Village Tanks and Anicuts	1,300	Rs. 3.5 mn per tank
2. Rural roads (tarring or concreting or gravel)		Rs. 2 mn per road
3. School sanitary facilities		
Renovation	8,930	Rs. 0.1 mn per school
New construction		Rs.1 mn per school
4. School playgrounds		Rs. 1 mn per school
5. Development of 'sathi pola'		Rs. 1 mn per unit
6. 'Haritha Udyana' programme		Rs. 10 mn per unit
<ol><li>Provision of electricity facilities for needy households</li></ol>		Rs. 30,000 per unit (a
8. Rehabilitation of temples/kovils/churches/mosques	500	Rs. 0.5 mn per unit
<ol><li>Rehabilitation of archeological places of tourist attraction</li></ol>		Rs. 0.6 mn per unit
10. Housing development - conversions to permanent roofs		Rs. 0.3 mn per unit
11. Issuing land deeds	100,000	(b)
12. Implementing the "Enterprise Sri Lanka" programme	100,000	(c)
(no. of entrepreneurs)		

 Table:
 Scope of the Rapid Rural Development Programme 2018-2019

(a) Implemented by Ministry of Petroleum Resources Development (CPC will bear the cost)

(b) Implemented by Ministry of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms

(c) Budgetary provisions already allocated to pay interest subsidy under the Ministry of Finance and Mass Media

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03. The list of items from 1 to 12 as detailed above shall be implemented during the balance part of 2018. Nevertheless, the Government intends to extend the *Gamperaliya* programme for the next two years as well.

04. Following guidelines are issued to be adopted by the District Secretaries and the Divisional Secretaries in implementing this programme;

- (a). The *Gamperaliya* programme shall be implemented by the Divisional Secretariats in coordination with the District Secretaries, under the supervision of a Steering Committee comprising the Deputy Secretary to the Treasury, Secretary of Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs, Secretary of Ministry of Home Affairs and Additional Secretary to the President. Further, a Chief Executive Officer(CEO) shall be appointed, who would be responsible for ensuring the implementation of the plan of actions under the guidance of the Steering Committee.
- (b). All District Secretaries shall consult the relevant political authority to finalize the projects to be implemented in each Divisional Secretariat. The District Secretaries shall identify the projects that reflect priority needs of each Divisional Secretariat, while ensuring maximum benefit to the people.
- (c). The District Secretaries shall pay attention to the following factors when selecting projects given the broader areas of work mentioned in the Table above: community interest and acceptance; focus on poverty alleviation, production and income improvement; optimum use of available resources in the area; sustainability of the project; participation of local communities and project which could be compleion before end of 2018.
- (d). Once the project list is recommended by District Secretaries in consultation with the District Political authority, the same shall be submitted to the Steering Committee for approval.
- (e). The Steering Committee shall ensure that the total list of projects under each development area shall not exceed the numbers given in the Table on page 1. In the event that the total number of projects submitted by all District Secretaries exceeds the maximum number of projects mentioned in the Table above, the Steering Committee shall earmark the extra projects to be implemented in 2019.
- (f). Accordingly, once the final list of projects for implementing during the balance part of 2018 is approved by the Steering Committee, the same shall be informed to the District Secretaries and Divisional Secretaries by the Steering Committee with copy to the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs to release required funds.
- (g). District Secretaries and Divisional Secretaries shall ensure the completion of projects prior to 30.11.2018.

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- (h). The project to provide electricity facility to the needy households shall be implemented by the Secretary of Ministry of Petroliam Resources Development in coordination with all District Secretaries for which the relevant authorities have already been informed.
- (i). The cost of all projects as identified in the Table above (except items 11 and 12) shall be subject to the engineering estimates. However, the final estimated cost shall not exceed the 'cost ceiling' as indicated in the Table above. Each District Secretary shall coordinate with Divisional Secretaries and Technical level staff to prepare cost estimates for each project. The technical service shall be obtained from District Secretariats, Divisional Secretariats, Provincial Department of Irrigation, Department of Irrigation, Department of Agrarian Development, and Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment. If required, the services of retired Technical officers/ Engineers shall also be obtained.
- (j). All the contracts shall be executed in terms of the Government's Procurement Guidelines. In this regards your attention is drawn to the Supplement 34 issued by the Director General Public Finance dated 09.07.2018 and Public Finance Circular No. 01/2012 dated 05.01.2012.
- (k). An amount not exceeding 1 percent of the total cost estimate shall be provided to cover administrative cost of the project for both District Secretariats and Divisional Secretariats. Such administrative expenses shall include fuel, overtime payments, other allowances, stationary etc. However, the administrative cost shall be incorporated into the final project cost, so that the cost ceiling given for each project as per the Cabinet decision shall not be exceeded.
- (l). The monitoring and evaluation of the program shall be carried out by the Steering Committee and the CEO. The District Secretaries and Divisional Secretaries shall establish a monitoring system in District and Divisional level to review and report the progress to the CEO and Steering Committee.
- (m). District Secretaries shall conduct progress review meetings with Divisional Secretaries and report back to the CEO before the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. District Secretaries shall coordinate with Divisional Secretaries, CEO and Steering Committee. District Secretaries shall initiate appropriate corrective actions immediately in case of any deviations, as reported by Divisional Secretaries, in consultation with the CEO.
- (n). Name board (size of 4'X 2.5') shall be prepared according to the design provided and shall be fixed with two steel bars (GI pipes) at the commencement of a project. A cost of a name board not exceeding Rs. 6,000 shall be included in the estimate.
- (o). The budgetary provision for *Gamperaliya* programme shall be channeled through Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs to the District Secretaries, by the Department of National Budget. District Secretaries shall request funds from the Department of Treasury Operations based on the implementation progress of projects. The CEO shall facilitate release of funds.

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(p). Each District Secretariat and Divisional Secretariat shall ensure that the intended outcomes are achieved at every stage of project implementation. If deviations/delays/shortcomings etc., arise, Divisional Secretariats shall immediately inform the District Secretariat, which in turn shall inform the CEO for appropriate guidance and directions.

Please bring the content of this circular to the notice of all Divisional Secretaries for immediate action.

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