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**Implementation of Social Security Monthly Allowance of Rs.1000/-
for Senior Citizens Over 70 Years of Age**

As proposed by budget 2012, under the government policy on elderly welfare, a monthly allowance of Rs.1000/- has been granted to the senior citizens over 70 years of age, who are poor and have no steady income. Through the implementation of this proposal, it is expected to improve the living standards and strengthen the welfare of these senior citizens.

02. For implementing this proposal, necessary guidelines and instructions have been issued to all the Govt. Agents, Divisional Secretaries and other relevant institutions by way of the following circulars and letters.

- I. Circular No. 2/2012 and dated 31.05.2012 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Social Services
- II. Letter No. HAF 3-MISCL-04-002 and dated 25.06.2012 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs
- III. Letter No. MSS/3/2/2/E.S.12 and dated 18.11.2012 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Social Services
- IV. Circular No. 01/2013 and dated 19.04.2013 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Social Services

03 The senior citizens over the age of 70 years who are eligible to receive the allowance of Rs.1000/- as per the above circulars and guidelines, are also eligible for any other welfare benefits, implemented by the Department of Samurdhi Commissioner General, Provincial Councils or any other Government Institute, in addition to the above benefit.

04. You may take any further necessary steps for implementation of the Elderly Social Security Allowance Programme of Rs.1000/- which targeted the welfare of the senior citizens, without any interruption, and ensure that other related divisional officers are duly informed.

Sgd. P.B.Jayasundera,
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