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All Secretaries to Ministries Chief Secretaries of Provincial Councils Heads of Departments Chairmen of Corporations and Statutory Boards

<u>Addendum (II) to the Budget Call – 2018</u> <u>Guidelines for the Preparation of 2018 Budget Estimates</u>

This is further to the National Budget Circular no 2/2017 dated 25.07.2017 on "guideline and directions for the preparation of Annual Budget Estimates". In this addendum, it is expected to give further direction in mainstreaming the three new policy strategies accepted by the government.

- 1. Sustainable Development Goals
- 2. Gender Response Budgeting
- 3. Empower Differently able People

(1.) Sustainable Development Goals

- 1.1 Sri Lanka as a member state of the United Nations, is a signatory to the adaption of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which comprises of 17 Goals and 169 Targets and 244 indicators. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) aim to end poverty, hunger and inequality, protect environment, improve access to health and education, build peace, justice and strong institutions etc. Achievement of these Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) targets should directly be linked with budgeting, i.e. allocation of resources for identified projects and programmes. Therefore, it is expected to align SDGs with the national development strategy from 2018. A select Committee of Parliament on the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development has also been set up to facilitate and monitor the achievement of the goals and targets.
- 1.2 Therefore, the spending agencies are directed for mainstreaming the SDG goals within the current and future development activities and aligning with the annual budget. The main objective of this process is to identify and localize the global agenda of SDG, which particularly relevant to the spending agency and focus on development strategies that directly support to achieving the targets of such SDGs.

- 1.3 The Ministry of Sustainable Development and Wildlife will facilitate respective Ministries in achieving the SDG targets and supervision of the 2030 Agenda. The Department of National Planning will ensure the integration of SDGs and targets into the National Development Framework and the line ministries are responsible to incorporate those when designing the development programs and projects.
- 1.4 The Department of Census and Statistics is also involved in supporting the implementation of SDGs to ensure that SDG are achieved at the end of 2030. In localizing the SDG indicators which relates to respective Ministries/ Departments and other Institutions may refer the "Status of Sustainable Development Goals Indicators in Sri lanka: 2017" published by the Department of Census and Statistics.

(2.) Gender Response Budgeting

- 2.1 The SDG goal 5 is to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls. Since, the women and girls represent more than half of the total population in Sri Lanka, gender equality to be ensured when allocating resources wherever possible. Accordingly, the KPIs developed by the Ministry of Women and Child Affairs is in annexure 1 for consideration by the Ministries when preparing the budget estimates and indicate the KPIs that is expected to be achieved in 2018.
- 2.2 As per the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers on 07.06.2016 the Plan of Action to address sexual and gender based violence in Sri Lanka to be implemented under the medium term budgetary framework from 2017-2019. Main objective of this action plan is "violence free life for women and children". As this plan covers multi sectoral implementation, the secretaries of relevant line ministries are required to take necessary actions to adhere to the plan.

(3.) Empower Differently able People

3.1 Mainstreaming differently able people would be another major area that is also to be addressed in 2018 Budget. The Cabinet of Ministers has already directed to implement the "Sri Lanka National Action Plan for Disability" which has been prepared based on the National Policy on Disability and designed for implementation of 7 thematic areas namely, Empowerment, Health and Rehabilitation, Education, Work and Employment, Mainstreaming and Enabling Environment, Data and Research and Social Institutional Cohesion. In line with the Government Policy and the Action Plan all spending agencies are required to identify focus areas and relevant activities on empowering the differently able community and mobilizing them as an equally useful segment of the society.

- (4) As the 2018 budget will be formulated based on the Performance Based Budgeting, you are kindly requested to consider the above when requesting resources for achieving measurable outputs / outcomes.
- (5) If you need any clarifications on the above, please contact the relevant subject officer of the Department of National Budget.

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KPIs to Achieve Gender Equality & Empower All Women & Girls

- 1) Increased % of Women Participation in Labour Force.
- 2) Increased number of female headed Households that have built houses through financial assistance programs.
- 3) Number of Public Institutions that have maintain Gender Disaggregated Data System.
- 4) Increased % of females who obtain NVQ certification and number enter in to employment in technical vocational field.
- 5) Number of female entrepreneurs engage in sustainable enterprises utilizing SME loans /subsidies.
- 6) Number of national policies and projects aimed at employing the female migrant returnees and potential migrant female.
- 7) Increased number of females in decision making positions attained through policy interventions.
- 8) Number of Institutions that have taken measures to improve gender friendly working environment and day care facilities etc.
- 9) Number of policies and guidelines are in placed and effectively implemented to ensure gender concerns are addressed in rescue, relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction stages of disasters.
- 10) Number of Women and Children Bureau units of police stations are capacitated to handle women and children issues in a sensitive and effective manner.
- 11) Number of gender discriminatory laws, policies and procedures that are amended, enacted and / or implemented.
- 12) Amount of allocation made to complement Multi Sectoral National Action Plan to address Sexual and Gender Based Violence.