

Public Finance Circular No: 02/2025

Secretaries to the Ministries Chief Secretaries to the Provincial Councils Heads of Departments District Secretaries Heads of Local Authorities

Annual Performance Report of Ministries, Departments and District Secretariats

Under the provisions of the Section 47 (4) of the Public Financial Management Act No. 44 of 2024, each Public Entity covered in subparagraph (i) and (ii) of paragraph (*a*) of subsection (2) of Section 3 shall publish an Annual Performance Report/ Annual Report not later than one hundred and eighty days after the closure of every financial year, that shall include inter-alia the accounts and other financial statements to fulfill the requirements specified in the relevant written laws and regulations made thereunder.

02. The Regulations under the Public Financial Management Act No. 44 of 2024, are at the drafting stage and until such regulations are framed, circulars issued by the Secretary to the President, Secretary to the Treasury and the Heads of Departments under the General Treasury, with regard to public financial management shall continue to be in force, in so far as such regulations and circulars are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as per provided under the Section 67(6) of the Public Financial Management Act No. 44 of 2024.

03. In this backdrop, the date of submission of the Performance Report to Parliament in the paragraph 15 of Part I of Public Finance Circular No. 01/2020 and paragraph 12 of Public Finance Circular No. 02/2020 dated 28.08.2020 which is read as "not later than 150 days after the closure of every financial year" is amended as "not later than 180 days after the closure of every financial year"

04. Accordingly, as stipulated in the Section 47(4) of the Public Financial Management Act and Public Finance Circular Nos. 01/2020 and 02/2020 with regard to the submission of Performance Report, the procedure to be followed in submission of Performance Report to Parliament is as follows.

i) The Performance Report shall be submitted to Parliament not later than 180 days after the closure of the financial year enabling it to place before Parliament subsequently.

ii) At the same time, parallel to the submission of Performance Report to Parliament, action shall be taken to publish the Performance Report by the relevant Public Entity in the official website of the Public Entity or other suitable means as stipulated in the Section 47(4) of the Public Financial Management Act.

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