

Performance Report – 3rd. Quarter July to September, 2019

Introduction

The Commission was established in 1996 by the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka Act No.21 of 1996. The Act sets out the legal basis and operational principles of the HRCSL. Although reference to the HRCSL has been made in the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, it is not formally established by the Constitution. The Chairperson and Members of the Commission are appointed under the provisions set out in the Constitution.

The Act recognizes the jurisdiction in the Commission in terms of fundamental rights and human rights. Fundamental rights are certain civil and political rights as well as economic, social and cultural rights guaranteed in Chapter III of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. Human rights are defined in the International Law.

The statutory functions of the Commission are:

- to inquire into, and investigate, complaints regarding procedures and violations or imminent violations of fundamental rights, with a view to ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Constitution.
- to advise and assist the government in formulating legislation and administrative directives and procedures, in furtherance of the promotion and protection of fundamental rights;
- to make proposals to the Government regarding measures to be taken to ensure that national laws and administrative practices are in accordance with international human rights norms and standards.
- to advise the Government regarding subscribing or acceding to treaties and other international human rights instruments.
- to promote awareness of, and provide education in relation to human rights.(Section 10 of the Act No. 21 of 1996)

The Commission carried out its functions with a staff consisting of 148 members. For the purpose of implementing its mandatory functions, the Commission consists of four divisions of Inquiries and Investigations, Education & Special Programmes, Research & Monitoring and Administration & Finance as well as 10 Regional Offices. (Ampara, Anuradhapura, Badulla, Batticaloa, Jaffna, Kalmunai, Kandy, Matara, Trincomalee and Vavuniya) Every Division functions under a Director while each Regional Office functions under a Regional Co-ordinating Officer.

During the period under review a host of activities were launched by the Commission which are analyzed in the Report.

The Commission had to handle matters relevant to various incidents arisen as a result of attacks carried out on the Easter Sunday including the ethnic violence unleashed targeting the Muslim Community on the 13th of May and thereafter.

The Commission hastened to respond by appealing to the general public to resist from unleashing counter-violence, drawing the attention of various state authorities to the necessity of curtailing the practice of discrimination against the Muslim Community, holding and facilitating community dialogue throughout the Island and conducting inquiries and investigations into numerous complaints lodged with the Commission. The Commission also made use of mass media platforms to draw the attention of the general public to the necessity of respecting equal citizenship and engaging in peaceful and amicable courses of action to settle disputes.

Activities of the Inquiries and Investigations Division

Head Office – summary of Complaints

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| Number of Complaints received in the Head Office | 985 |
| Number of Complaints falling within the purview of the Human Right Commission of Sri Lanka | 483 |
| Number of complaints outside the purview of the Commission and referred to other institutions for necessary action | 415 |

Complaints, inquiries of which are concluded by the Head Office

| Classification of concluded Complaints | No of concluded complaints |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Number of complaints for which recommendations have been issued | 20 |
| Number of settlements | 24 |
| Number of complaints disposed of, otherwise (withdrawals, lack of interest, Non-infringement of fundamental rights) | 39 |

Summary of Complaints – Regional Offices

| Summary | Ampara | Anuradhapura | Badulla | Batticaloa | Jaffna | Kalmunai | Kandy | Matara | Trincomalee | Vavuniya |
|--|--------|--------------|---------|------------|--------|----------|-------|--------|-------------|----------|
| Number of complaints received | 31 | 152 | 85 | 236 | 82 | 50 | 187 | 174 | 60 | 72 |
| Number of complaints within the mandate | 22 | 122 | 60 | 130 | 82 | 50 | 161 | 148 | 58 | 70 |
| Number of complaints outside the mandate | 09 | 30 | 25 | 106 | - | - | 26 | 26 | 06 | 06 |
| Number referred to other institutions | - | - | - | - | - | 24 | - | - | - | - |
| Number of complaints settled | 07 | 32 | 12 | 211 | 27 | 04 | 126 | 01 | 02 | 11 |
| Number of complaints referred to Head Office for recommendations | 03 | 08 | 02 | - | - | - | 04 | - | - | 01 |
| Number of complainants who approached Regional Offices | 116 | 224 | 198 | 73 | 710 | 133 | 323 | 357 | 235 | 202 |
| Complaints concluded | 24 | 85 | 45 | 284 | 29 | 35 | 149 | 96 | 27 | 44 |

Suo/ Motu Operations

The number of Suo Motu operations carried out by the Inquiries & Investigations Division as per Clause 14 of the Human Rights Commission Act remains at 04 and relevant inquiries have been initiated.

| | Nature of the incident | Number |
|----|---|---------------|
| 01 | Disasters | 01 |
| 02 | Torture | 01 |
| 03 | Assault on detainees in Welikada Women's cell | 01 |
| 04 | Death in custody | 01 |
| 05 | Other | 01 |

Out of the 04 investigations stipulated above, following Suo/Motu investigations are identified as most important.

- Investigation initiated under Suo/Motu/18/19 - into the report appeared in the Lankadeepa Newspaper of 11.07.2019 with regard to the potable water issue faced by 50 families in Nahalla Grama Niladhari Division.
- Investigation initiated under Suo/Motu/19/19 into the incident of torture inflicted on a woman by Pamunugama Police Officers as disclosed in an article published in Ravaya Newspaper

- Investigation initiated under Suo/Motu/20/19 into the failure on the part of Mahiyangana Police to take due action with regard to the assault on a priest in Mahiyangana area.

Summary of Inspection Visits to Detention Centres

| Centre | Head Office | Regional Offices | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | | Ampara | Anuradhapura | Badulla | Batticaloa | Jaffna | Kalmunai | Kandy | Matara | Trincomalee | Vavuniya |
| Police Stations | 158 | 26 | 112 | 50 | 35 | 39 | 21 | 108 | 67 | 18 | 52 |
| Prisons | 07 | 03 | 03 | 01 | 08 | 02 | 00 | 01 | 04 | 02 | 02 |
| Child Care/Child Homes | 02 | 03 | 26 | - | 02 | - | 04 | - | 02 | 01 | - |
| Detention centres for migrants | 01 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 01 |
| Elders' Homes | 01 | 03 | 05 | - | 01 | 01 | 02 | - | - | - | - |
| CID/TID | 06 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Disabled's Homes | - | - | 02 | - | - | - | 01 | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 175 | 35 | 148 | 51 | 46 | 44 | 29 | 109 | 73 | 21 | 56 |

Recommendations issued to State Institutions

| S.N. | Complaint No. | Complainant | Respondent/s | Nature of Complaint | Date of Recommendation | F.R. violated | Whether recommendation implemented |
|------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| 01 | HRC/3990/17 | G.S.Madduma Suriya | Ananda College | School Admissions | 04.07.2019 | 12(1) | |
| 02 | HRC/K/695/17 | H.M.P.N. Jaysundara | Dharmaraja College-Kandy | School Admissions | 08.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 03 | HRC/K/71/18 | S.M.C. Kumudumalee | Mahamaya B.V. Kandy | Admissions | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 04 | HRC/5057/16 | R.T.H. Hakmana | Anula Vidyalaya | School Admissions | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 05 | HRC/AM/95/14 /B | B.G.A.Hema Kumara | S.S.P.-Ampara/Potuvil Police | Service Conditions | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 06 | HRC/K/31/18 | I.K.D.M. Siriwardena | Kingswood College, Kandy | School admissions | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 07 | HRC/3162/17 | W. Wijesundara | Kosgoda Police | Torture | 19.07.2019 | 11 | |

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|----|--|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|------------|-------|---|
| 08 | HRC/AP230/16 | T.B. Semasinghe | RDA, Anuradhpura | Granting Permanency in service | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 09 | HRC/K/719/16 | R.A.Dharma Warden and party | M/Industries And Commerce | Pensions | 08.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 10 | HRC/K/660/16 | Y.K.B.K. Wijesinghe | Kingswood College | School Admissions | 08.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 11 | HRC/AM/117/16 | P.W.Jagath | Provincial P.S.C. | Termination Of service | 19.07.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 12 | HRC/4339/15 | S.K.C. Kumarasiri | Meegahawatta Police | Torture | 08.08.2019 | 11 | x |
| 13 | HRC/K/364/13 HRC/4682/13 HRC/4683/13 HRC/4684/13 HRC/4685/13 HRC/4686/13 HRC/4687/13 | Labour Solidarity Trade Union | JEDB Plantation Corporation Ministry of Plantation Industries Ministry of Labour | Inaction | 09.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 14 | HRC/722/16 | H.R.D. De Soyza | Vishaka Vidyalaya | School Admissions | 16.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 15 | HRC/K/536/1 | P.Guruge | Kingswood College Kandy | School Admissions | 21.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 16 | HRC/5083/16 | A.K.R. Chandrakanthi | N.E.I. | Promotions | 21.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 17 | HRC/K/310/15 | K.A.D.C. Jayalath | Ministry of Education | School Admissions | 29.08.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 18 | HRC/2513/16 | T.Kandamby | National Timber Cor. | Promotions | 16.09.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 19 | HRC/AP/01/13 | W.M.B.N. Wanninayaka | Weliyaya MMV, Aralagnwila | Torture | 19.09.2019 | 11 | x |
| 20 | HRC/4392/16 | E.H.S. Hewa Adhikaram | CWW Kannangara MMV, Mathugama | School Admissions | 25.09.2019 | 12(1) | x |
| 21 | HRC/123/19 | K.B.K. Sanjeewa | Ananda Vidyalaya | School Admissions | 24.09.2019 | 12(1) | x |

Activities of the Research and Monitoring Division

Special Monitoring Aspects

| Date | Issue prompting intervention |
|------------|--|
| 04.07.2019 | Inquires were made from the St. Anthony's Church, Kochchikade and Archbishop House, Colombo on the continued intervention of the Catholic Council with regard to the victims of Easter Sunday attack |
| 05.07.2019 | Meeting with Head of Makola Certified School and Makola Detention Centre |
| 17.07.2019 | HRC/2058/19/Suo/Motu/RM- Closing down of Minu/Doranagoda Maha Vidyalaya – A special meeting was held with the parties representing the School Development Society, the Old Boys' Association and the Organization for Protecting the School. It was decided to hold a special meeting with the relevant parties in due course with regard to the issue. |
| 29.07.2019 | Complaint under HRC/2058/19/Suo/Motu/RM – An urgent discussion was held with the participation of the complaining party and relevant respondents, viz. Provincial Director of Education - Western Province Education Department, Zonal Director of Education - Minuwangoda Zonal Education Office and Principal, Minu/Doranagoda Maha Vidyalaya. Accordingly, Minuwangoda Zonal Director of Education has concurred as per his report of 31.07.2019 with the approval of the Western Province Director of Education, to grant redress sought by the complainants |
| 12.09.2019 | HRC/SPI/RM/01/2019 – A special discussion was held with regard to the infringement of human rights and students' right of the students in the Institute of indigenous Medicine and a report was called for from the Institute. |
| 17.09.2019 | Detention status of detainees in Mirihana Detention Centre for Foreigners were looked into and Officers in charge of the centre and the Department of Immigration and Emigration were made aware of the aspects to be improved. |
| 26.09.2019 | A commemorative dialogue was held on the 5 th . commemoration of Ms.Thusitha Samarasekara, ex.Director of Monitoring and Reviewing Division of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka and the Key-Note address titled "New Trends' undue influence on a free and fair election" was delivered by Mr.Mahinda Deshapriya, Chairman, Election Commission. The programme took place at the Lakshman Kadirgamar Institute of International Relations and Strategic Studies. |

Updating of HRCSL web page

| Date | Updating |
|------------|--|
| 03.07.2019 | Publication of guidelines on arbitrary apprehension issued to the Acting Inspector |

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| | General of Police on 02.07.2019 by the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka |
| 27.07.2019 | Publication of the letter of 25.07.2019 sent to the Bar Association of Sri Lanka on unethical practices committed by professionals of the Bar Association of Sri Lanka. |
| 29.08.2019 | Publication of instructions on apprehension of persons issued by the Office of the Inspector General of Police on 26.07.2019 |
| 31.08.2019 | Publication of press notice on HRC's vetting process of troops being sent for United Nation's Peace Keeping Operations. |
| 22.09.2019 | Publication of legal analysis conducted by the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka and its simultaneous recommendations with regard to the content in Clause 3 of Intentional Convention on Civil and Political Rights No. 56 of 2007 |
| 30.09.2019 | Publication of the notice calling for applications for this year's Youth Camp for those between the age of 18-29 years. |

Implementation of Internship Training Programmes for graduates/undergraduates

Apprentices are recruited for a three months training programme. Notices relevant to these recruitments are published in HRC website and in addition, the institutions awarding degrees are notified by calling for applications by post. Apprentices selected through interviews held by the Head Office and Regional Offices are recruited for this purpose.

Accordingly, 11 persons for the Head Office and 11 persons for Regional Offices have been attached for apprentice training for the third quarter of this year.

Participation at Meetings/ Discussions and Programmes

| Date | Meeting | Officer participated |
|-------------|---|--|
| 10.07.2019 | Meeting of the Committee on Civil and Political Rights contained in National Human Rights Action Plan was held in the Ministry of Justice. | Director-Research and Monitoring (a/to duties) |
| 12.07.2019 | Awareness Programme on "Initiation of Transition through state participation" organized by Right to Life and National Peace Council | Director-Research and Monitoring (a/to duties) Director-Education and Special Programmes |
| 25.07.2019 | An awareness Programme on Co-existence and harmony among the communities in the aftermath of the Easter Sunday Attack on 21 April, 2019, jointly organized by the HRC Head Office and Badulla Regional Office was held under the chairmanship of Mr. Upananda Vidanapathirana, Commissioner of HRC. | Mr.Upananda Vidanapathirana, Commissioner, Director-Research and Monitoring (a/to duties), Director-Education and Special Programmes |
| 06.08.2019 | A discussion on the prevalent status of refugees in Negombo area in the aftermath of the Easter Sunday attack was held in HRC Head Office, with the representatives of ZOA Institute. | Director-Research and Monitoring (a/to duties), |
| 13.08.2019 | A discussion with the representatives of the | Director-Research and |

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| | International Centre for Ethnic Studies was held in the HRC Head Office to gather information for preparation of Alternate Report on Institutions of Human Rights in the Asian Region. | Monitoring (a/to duties), |
| 02.09.2019 | A discussion at Head Office with Mr.Mangala Welaratna with regard to the issue pertaining to the employment of workers on temporary basis | Director-Research and Monitoring (a/to duties), |

Creating awareness among the external parties on News/Specific Recommendations/Exclusive Interventions of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka.

Relevant information is disseminated among the Printed Media, Electronic Media, Internet, Civil Organizations, Members of Thematic Sub Committees of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka, Sri Lankan Missions abroad, International Human Rights Organizations, Communication Network of National Human Rights Institutions Forum in the Asia Pacific Region and Asia Pacific Region Forum of National Human Rights Institutions. Information is disseminated after every updating.

This information is communicated to all the Regional Offices of HRC after updating, with instructions to display them in their notice boards for the benefit of the general public.

A media monitoring is carried out with regard to human right violations published through electronic and printed media pertaining to the Head office and Regional Offices, reports are called from the respondent parties and follow up action taken with regard to the progress of each case.

Activities of the Education and Special Programmes Division

Awareness Programmes

Lecture support

| Description of Programmes |
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| A lecture on Human Rights Commission Act and its Functions was delivered at the workshop held on 04.07.2019 for the benefit of Police Officers by the In-service Training Unit, South Mirihana, Western Province |
| A lecture on Human Rights was delivered at the Army Regiment Centre, Panagoda, Homagama on 25.07.2019 for the benefit of Army Officers and other cadres of Sri Lanka Army Engineering Service Corps. |
| A lecture on Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law was delivered on 30.07.2019 for the benefit of Army Officers and other cadres of Sri Lanka Army General Services Corps at Corps Head Quarters. |
| A lecture on Human Rights Law was delivered on 11.09.2019 at the Army Camp for the benefit of Army Officers of Sri Lanka Army Volunteer Corps |
| A lecture on Functions of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka was delivered at the workshop on Victims of Sexual Bribery organized by the Centre for Equality and Justice on 24.09.2019. |

Series of special lectures

| Date | Tropic |
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| 28.08.2019 | A special lecture on “ Buddhism and Righteous Society “ was delivered by Rev. Galkande Dhammananda Thero, Director of Walpola Rahula Institute for the benefit of the staff of Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka. |

Training Programmes

- **Awareness Programme for delegates of Northern Province Disability Seminar**

An awareness Programme on Human Rights was held on 22.07.2019 at Kilinochchi in collaboration with HRC Jaffna Regional Office and HRC Head Office for the benefit of the delegates of Northern Province Disability Conference.

- **Awareness Programme for Volunteers in Plantation Sector**

Review Meeting pertaining to Awareness Programme held on the 20th. and 21st. of October, 2018 for volunteers in Plantation Sector and Training Programme held on 11th. and 12th. of March, 2019 for Facilitators was held on 27th. and 28th. of July, 2019 at Maskeliya Royal Cultural Hall.

- **Workshop on building ethnic harmony, peace and co-existence**

- a. The discussion Programme for Religious leaders, Civil society activists and Community Human Rights activists for building up ethnic harmony, peace and co-existence based on Easter Sunday attack was held on 25.07.2019 at Badulla Capital City Hotel in collaboration with HRC Regional Office and HRC Head Office.
- b. Lecture and Dialogue Programmes organized by Matara Regional Office were held on 18 September, 2019 at Sacred Heart Convent, on 19.09.2019 at Siridhamma College and on 20.09.2019 at Sanghamitta Balika Vidyalaya in collaboration with HRC Regional Office and HRC Head Office for the benefit of school children.

- **Awareness Programme on Disciplinary Action Procedure and Office Management for the supporting staff**

Basic activities of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka have been improved through a productive and efficient supporting staff which performs a volume of important duties for the purpose.

Therefore, an awareness programme on Disciplinary Procedure and Office Management was held on 20th, 21st, 27th and 28th of September, 2019 at Hector Kobbekduwa Agricultural Research and Training Institute for the benefit of Management Assistants and minor staff (Drivers, KKS and watchers)

- **Training Programme on Human Rights for rural leaders of Puttalam District**

Training Programme on Human Rights for rural leaders of Puttalam District was held on 7-8 of September, 2019 and 21-22 September, 2019 in Puttalam District Secretariat Auditorium in Tamil and Sinhala medium respectively.

Meetings/ other programmes

| Date | Topic |
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| 26.08.2019 | A discussion was held with National Federation of Visually Handicapped with regard to obtaining driving licences for visually handicapped persons. |

Regional Offices

Lecture support

| Regional Office | Target Group | | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| | Army Officers | Police Officers | Civil Security Members | State Officers | Students/Youth Groups |
| Anuradhapura | 2 | 2 | -- | 1 | -- |
| Badulla | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- |
| Jaffna | -- | 1 | -- | 2 | 2 |
| Vavuniya | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Matara | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Kandy | 1 | -- | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Batticaloa | -- | -- | -- | -- | 3 |
| Trincomalee | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- |
| Anuradhapura | 2 | 2 | -- | 1 | -- |

Awareness and Training Programmes

| Regional Office | Target Group | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------|--|
| | Police Officers | State Officers | Students/Youth Groups | General Public(Civil Organizations, Religious leaders, |
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| | | | | others) |
| Kalmunai | 1 | 1 | - | 1 |
| Jaffna | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Ampara | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Anuradhapura | - | - | - | 1 |
| Nuwaraeliya | 3 | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Puttalam | - | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Trincomalee | 2 | 1 | - | - |
| Batticaloa | - | 1 | 1 | 3 |

Meetings/ Other Programmes

| Regional Office | Date | Topic |
|-----------------|------------|---|
| Matara | 16.08.2019 | Participation at a meeting on Ethnic Peace organized by the Sarvodaya Movement |
| | 03.09.2019 | Participation at Civil Society Committee Meeting organized by the Regional Office |
| Jaffna | 16.07.2019 | Participation at a programme on rights of disabled persons due to war |
| | 19.07.2019 | Participation at a mobile service on land rights organized by the Paffrel Institute for undergraduates in Jaffna University. |
| | 25.08.2019 | Participation at a mobile service organized by the Ministry of National C0-existence, Dialogue and Official Languages and held at Mallakam Tamil Maha Vidyalaya, Jaffna |
| Kandy | 08.09.2019 | Participation at a mobile service organized by the Ministry of National C0-existence, Dialogue and Official Languages and held at Bulathkohupitiya Vidyalaya, Kegalle |
| | 24.09.2019 | Participation at a meeting on Women's Rights organized by the United Nations |

A number of Training Programmes and Discussions were held by the Regional Offices targeting state officers, religious leaders, civil organizations, youth community and community groups for creating social reconciliation, co-existence and an environment free of disputes in the aftermath of Easter Sunday attack.

Administration and Finance Division

| Date | Meeting | Officer participated |
|------------|--|---|
| 30.07.2019 | Meeting with the Salaries Commission with regard to Absorption of Commission's staff | Director-Admin & Finance(A/to duties), Consultant |

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| 06.08.2019 | Discussion with the Department of management Services with regard to salaries of the Commission's staff. | Director-Admin & Finance(A/to duties), |
| 15.08.2019 | Meeting with the Hon. Speaker and Officials of the Ministry of Megapolis and Western Development, Parliament | Chairperson, Mr.Upananda Vidanapathirana, Commissioner and Director-Admin & Finance(A/to Duties) |
| 09.09.2019 | Meeting with the Salaries Commission with regard to Absorption of Commission's staff | Director-Admin & Finance(A/to duties) |

Final instructions with regard to the Absorption of Staff could be obtained in this Quarter as a result of long- continued consultations with the National Cadre and Salaries Commission and the Department of management Services with regard to the absorption of staff in accordance with the new recruitment procedure approved for the Commission.

Financial Report

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| Opening balance | 14,160,579.41 |
| Imprest from the General Treasury | |
| Recurrent | 41,400,000.00 |
| Capital | -- |
| Other income | 12,477.24 |
| Total | 55,573,056.65 |
| Expenditure | |
| Personal emoluments | 28,125,621.99 |
| Travelling | 394,917.55 |
| Supplies | 1,775,705.31 |
| Maintenance expenditure | 1,066,014.86 |
| Services | 5,127,324.15 |
| Transfers | 1,408,144.26 |
| Human Rights Programmes | 2,332,054.75) |
| Rehabilitation and improvements to capital assets | -- |
| Acquisition of capital assets | -- |
| Capacity development | 89,900.00 |
| Catalytic support for peace building in Sri Lanka (UNDP) | -- |
| Provision of opportunity for returnees to enjoy their rights (UNHCR) | 308,411.06 |

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| Strengthening capacity of Human Rights Commission (SWISS) | 1,018,306.60 |
| Total Expenditure | 41,646,400.53 |

Reports on Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka published in the mass media.

| Date | Newspaper and the contents |
|------------|--|
| 08.07.2019 | Samabima – “ Human Rights Commission’s recommendations on Apprehensions” |
| 30.08.2019 | Lankadeepa – Police accepts Human Rights Recommendations preventing illegal apprehensions. |
| 29.08.2019 | Colombo Telegraph - Colombo Page News websites - Police accepts Human Rights Recommendations preventing illegal apprehensions. |
| 03.09.2019 | The Island – Human Rights Commission makes recommendations to Police with regard to prevention of illegal apprehensions |

Discussions / Programmes/as Resource persons where the Chairperson and Commissioners participated.

| | Date | Description |
|----|------------|--|
| 1 | 24.07.2019 | Meeting with Clement Wall, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Freedom of peaceful assembly and association, HRCSL |
| 2 | 26.07.2019 | Meeting with Ms.Kshenuka Seneviratna, Sri Lanka Permanent Representative in United Nations, New York |
| 3 | 31.07.2019 | Discussion on Responsible Enterprises and Human Rights, United Nations Development Project |
| 4 | 01.08.2019 | Swiss National Day |
| 5 | 05.08.2019 | Meeting with lawyers to discuss draft HRCSL Guidelines on the implementation of S.3 of the ICCPR Act No. 56 of 2007 and situation regarding the death penalty. |
| 6 | 08.08.2019 | Meeting with European Union Exploration Mission, HRCSL |
| 7 | 08.08.2019 | Meeting with Hon. Ms. Joana Kempkers, High Commissioner for New Zealand, HRCSL. |
| 8 | 13.08.2019 | Program on Religious Freedom in Sri Lanka at International Centre for Ethnic Studies. |
| 9 | 15.08.2019 | Meeting with Hon. Speaker and Officials of the Ministry of Mega polis and Western Development, Sri Lanka Parliament |
| 10 | 16.08.2019 | Meeting with UN Special Rapporteur on Religious Freeddom, Dr. Ahamad Shahid at HRCSL. |
| 11 | 19.08.2019 | Anti-Ragging Program oraganized by the University Grants Commission under the heading “Creating a Supportive Environment in State Universities. |
| 12 | 21.08.2019 | Program organized by the youth group Sri Lanka Unites for university students reconciliation. |
| 13 | 22.08.2019 | Meeting with Ambassador for Netherlands, HRCSL |
| 14 | 26.08.2019 | Meeting on Ragging, National Police Commission |

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| 15 | 27.08.2019 | Meeting with GSP+ Monitoring Team, HRCSL of European Commission. |
| 16 | 28.08.2019 | Meeting with Brian Kayto and Jose Dobako, Foreign Affairs Officials, Washington, HRCSL |
| 17 | 29.08.2019 | Meeting with Canadian High Commissioner and Wickramaweer So, HRCSL |
| 18 | 12.09.2019 | Lecture on “ Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka and its efforts and challenges in protecting human rights”, BIIDS |
| 19 | 16.09.2019 | Meeting with Dr. Lavian Starahan, First Secretary, Australian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade at Australia House. |

Internal Meetings

| Meeting | July | August | September |
|------------------------|------|--------|-----------|
| Board Meeting | 23 | 19, 29 | 16 |
| Commissioners Meetings | 08 | 05 | -- |