

Decisions taken by the Cabinet of Ministers on 06.05.2024

01. Digital Transformation of General Education in Sri Lanka

The Chinese government has agreed to provide for the project in accordance with a project proposal for the digital transformation of general education in Sri Lanka. A feasibility study has also been conducted in relation to the implementation of the project. The proposed project is expected to provide Delivering Class Rooms, Receiving Class Rooms, Data Centre and tables for schools, within the Ministry of Education to facilitate these activities, a Studio Room and a Conference Room. These devices will support the effective and efficient performance of the blended learning method, sharing resources, imparting the knowledge of teachers with special skills to the students when needed, avoiding the problems that arise in the case of shortage of teachers and facilitating the proposed educational reforms. Accordingly, the Cabinet of Ministers approved the proposal presented by the Minister of Education to implement the proposed project based on the relevant feasibility study report.

02. Establishment of the National Teachers' Council

The National Education Policy Framework has proposed the establishment of a National Teachers Council in line with other professional service categories as well as international best practices to enhance the professionalism and quality of teachers through continuous professional development. A preliminary draft in this regard has been prepared, after long discussions with the relevant stakeholders in the education sector. Accordingly, the Cabinet of Ministers approved the combined proposal presented by the Hon. President and the Minister of Education to instruct a Legal Draftsman to prepare a bill for the establishment of a National Teachers Council based on draft prepared.

03. Amendment of the Medical Ordinance.

Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers was granted at their meeting held on 09.10.2023 to formulate a national policy comprised of standards and criteria that should be considered for accepting medical degree courses of internationally recognized Universities within Sri Lanka and to implement the recommendations furnished by the committee appointed chaired by the Secretary to the Prime Minister for amending the medical ordinance to cater the contemporary requirements. Accordingly, clearance of the Attorney General has been received for the draft bill prepared by the Legal Draftsman for amending the medical ordinance based on the said recommendations. Therefore, the Cabinet of Ministers granted approval for the resolution furnished by the Minister of Health to publish the said draft bill in the government gazette notification, and subsequently forward it to the Parliament for its concurrence.

04. Development of wind power stations of 484 Mega Watt in Mannar and Poonerin.

Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers was granted at their meeting held on 07.03.2022 to enter into a memorandum of understanding with M/s Adani Green Energy Limited of India to develop wind power stations in Mannar and Poonerin. Accordingly, a negotiation committee has been appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers in order to evaluate the project proposal furnished by the said Company. Based on the recommendations of that Committee, the Cabinet of Ministers granted approval to the resolution forwarded by the Minister of Electricity and Power to accept the last price as USD \$ 8.26 cents (subject to payment in Sri Lankan Rupees as per the actual foreign exchange rate) per KW for the electricity generated under the proposed project. And to award this tender to M/s Adani Green Energy SL Limited for a period of 20 years.

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