

Annual Report

2017

National Youth Services Council

Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs

Introduction

This Annual Report presents the outcomes of the activities implemented by the National Youth Services Council in the year 2017.

The report strives to convey the strategies executed as well as the outcomes obtained through the implementation of youth development activities towards accomplishment of institutional objectives by rallying local as well as international youth communities. The manner in which we have utilized physical and human resources for the youth development process is revealed in this report.

This annual report will be beneficial in respect of the institutional decision making process as well as for the external parties to get an impression on the Institution. The performance contained herein is particularly imperative in respect of receiving allocations for the ensuing year.

Further, the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and other external parties who have shown interest to make collaborations with the National Youth Services Council can use this annual report to take decisions in this regard. Moreover, it will be immensely useful in comprehending whether the institution has embarked on the right direction.

The National Youth Services Council had successfully implemented various programmes during 2017 which include establishment of Youth Clubs, the Youth Parliament, Youth Leadership Programmes, New Year Celebrations towards reconciliation - "Sanhidiyawae Surya Mangalaya", Youth Sport Festival, distribution of sport equipment, Community Development Programme titled "Thurunu Shrama Shakthi", Youth Awards Programme, Youth Drama Competition, NYSCO Youth Cooperative Society Programme, Foreign Squads, Youth Exchange Programmes etc.

The organization is in a dire need to improve the professional qualifications of officers and to recruit officers with higher academic qualifications. The challenges confronted by the Institution during this year too included lack of physical resources, insufficient resources to cope with the other competitive organizations in the similar category. In order to address the said obstacles, it is extremely required to train officials subsequent to assessing the training requirements, obtain the professional level expertise and to upgrade the Management Information System (MIS) and physical resources etc.

We honestly extend our feelings of gratitude to Hon. Prime Minister, Hon. Minister and all the officials of the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs and the Chairman/Director General of the National Youth Services Council for their guidance and leadership extended for successful implementation of all the activities of this Institution.

Assistant Director
Planning and Development Division

Vision

An Empowered Sri Lankan Youth

Mission

To facilitate towards empowerment of Sri Lankan Youth to confront life challenges by mobilizing local and international opportunities

Objectives

- To inculcate enthusiasm towards nationalism, a sense of discipline, an awareness on social and economic problems and a sense of dignity on labour among youths.
- To enlist the participation of youth in national development schemes.
- To promote collaboration and mutual understanding between youths of Sri Lanka and of other Countries.
- To encourage sense of competitiveness and achievement among youths.
- To widen the knowledge of youth and to provide training in the fields relevant to development.
- To encourage youths for cultural, literary and aesthetic activities.
- To encourage youth for development of physical fitness and sports.
- To facilitate the provision of recreational activities and entertainment for youth.
- To assist youths who are handicapped.
- To provide regular employment opportunities for youths by efficient investments on a long term basis with the objective of strengthening economic agenda of the government.
- To provide opportunities for youth participation in the policy formation and implementation.
- To establish youth organizations and to assist the already established organizations in respect of youth welfare.
- To design, coordinate, promote and direct youth extension services.
- To develop the inherent characteristics of each individual youth.

**Message of the Secretary to the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Project
Management and Southern Development**

The National Youth Services Council has been assigned a significant role in respect of guiding the youths of the nation in a context where Sri Lanka should gain momentum towards achieving sustainable development goals. In this backdrop, it is a great pleasure to send my greetings to the Annual Report -2017 of the National Youth Services Council.

Expansion of the youth club network in view of gathering all the communities irrespective of their ethnicity, cast, religion and the success in holding National Youth Sports Festival, Youth Awards, Youth Drama Festival, Youth Film Festival, Youth Parliament, International Youth Convention and Youth Community Development Projects in 2017 could be attributed to the fact that the National Youth Services Council had implemented a well-planned programme.

In addition, the contributions made by the National Youth Services Council by conducting the “No Drugs, We Youth” programme in view of making the Country free from the drug menace should also be highly commendable.

Through conducting the Yowun Pura Programme at the Mackheisher Grounds in Trincomalee with the participation of 6000 youths under the theme “Future has begun”, the National Youth Services has been able to endow the nation a youth community who are capable of winning the challenges confronted in the modern world.

Further, it has paved the way to fulfill future expectations of the youths who gathered around the Council by conducting National Thai Pongal Festival, Sanhidiyawae Surya Mangalaya and Media workshops.

I sincerely wish that the National Youth Council and its Chairman/ Director General and the Staff be blessed with strength and courage to further engage in youth development activities in more successful manner in compliance with new technologies and enhancing skills of creative youth for the betterment of Sri Lankan Youth.

H.M.Gamini Senevirathna

Secretary

Ministry of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development

Message of the Chairman/Director General of the National Youth Services Council

It is with great pleasure that I extend my best wishes to the Annual Report - 2017 of the National Youth Services Council which encompasses role played by the Council in respect of youth development in the country as the apex organization in Sri Lanka towards development of youth.

When memorizing the year 2017, I must first mention that we had been able to implement very important programmes for the Sri Lankan youth development. Given the major mechanism of the council is the empowerment of its youth club movement, programmes had been implemented to this effect in early 2017. And we had been able to conduct the Yowun Puraya 2017 in Trincomalee with the participation of 6,000 youths by gathering youths in all corners of the Country.

The Youth Parliament, which has been organized with the objective of providing the Sri Lankan youth with practical and theoretical experience on political arena, was held in a more proper manner this year and Youth Parliament Training Programmes and Sessions were also conducted.

Also the National Youth Services Council was able to implement National Youth Sports Festival, National Youth Awards, National Youth Drama Festival, National Youth Film Festival, National Youth Poison Festival, National Youth day, Nippon maru Youth Friendship Programme and International Youth Exchange Programmes towards building up dignified youth by enhancing their skills in sports, cultural aspects etc.

3,000 Youth Sharma Shakthi Community Development Programmes were implemented island wide in view of providing the youths, who have gathered around youth club movement as rural and urban, with the opportunity to actively and directly participate in development project in their areas and thereby make them dignified in their societies. Also the Youth with Talent – the Reality Programme held in grand success which has been initiated to make a platform for significant capabilities of the Sri Lankan Youth.

In parallel the resources of the Council were upgraded in compliance with the modern world in order to carry out youth development process in a more organized manner. It should be mentioned that an allocation of over Rs. 1000 million has been allocated to infrastructure development of the entire organization enabling towards providing more productive services.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone, especially the Council Staff who made their contributions towards conducting all these youth development programmes in a successful manner. I wish all of us will have the strength to make our vision a realization that is the creation of an empowered Sri Lankan Youth.

Mr. W.G.S.Erandika (Attorney-at-law)
Chairman/Director General
National Youth Services Council

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1. National Youth Services Council

The National Youth Services Council is the only state institution established to promote the self-aspirations of youth so as to ensure full development of the youths of Sri Lanka.

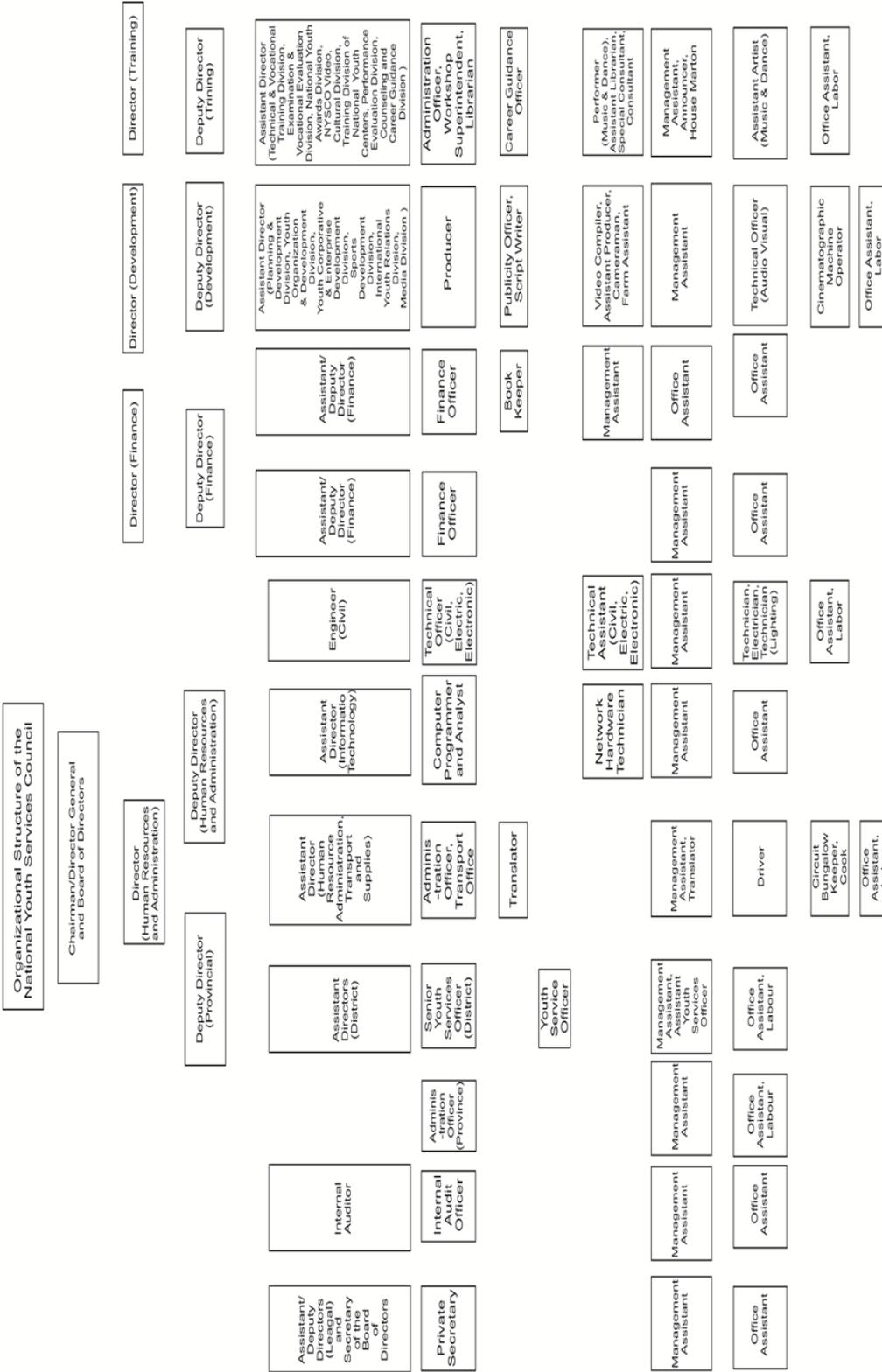
The Parliamentary Acts pertinent to the establishment of the National Youth Services Council:

- Volunteer National Youth Services Act, No. 11 of 1967.
- Volunteer National Youth Services (amendment) Act, No. 52 of 1968.
- Notification of series of regulations in the Extra Ordinary Gazette No.14837/6 of 23rd January 1969 in accordance with the section 26 of the aforesaid Act.
- National Youth Services Act, No.69 of 1979.
- The repeal of the Volunteer National Youth Services (amended) Act, No. 11 of 1967 and the declaration of the date of enactment of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979 by the Extra Ordinary Gazette No.67/09 of 20th December 1979.
- Notification of regulations under section 34 of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979 in the Extra Ordinary Gazette No. 69/09 of 02nd January 1980.
- Notification of National Youth Services Regulations No. 01 of 1986 under Section 34 of the National Youth Services Act, No.69 of 1979 in the Extra Ordinary Gazette No. 392/05 of 10th March 1986.
- Absorption of the Rehabilitation Commissioner General's Office to National Youth Services Council in 1990.
- Inauguration of Sri Lanka Youth Concept in 2011.

The National Youth Services Council had been vested with extensive mandate to engage in youth development activities than previously under the National Youth Services Act, No.69 of 1979 which was passed consequent to the establishment of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Employment in 1978.

1.1. Organization Structure

Organizational Structure



1.2 Name List of Board of Directors of the National Youth Services Council -2017

S.No.	Name	Designation	Date of Appointment
01.	Mr. W.G.S.Erandika (Attorney- at- law)	Chairman/Director General	02.02.2015
02.	Mrs. Ashoka Alawaththa	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
03.	Mr.Sumit Suraweera	Board Member of the Council	08.12.2016 – 06.09.2017
04.	Mr. C.H.S.Dangalla	Board Member of the Council	10.03.2015
05.	Mr.H.Hewage	Board Member of the Council	01.07.2017
06.	Mr.K.P.Siribaddena	Board Member of the Council	13.12.2017
07.	Mr.Dasun Nagashena (Attorney- at- law)	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
08.	Mr. Madura Priyabashana Welgama (Attorney- at- law)	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
09.	Mrs.H.M.Sudharshi Baghya Karunarathne (Attorney- at- law)	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
10.	Mr.Punsanda Vijayakumara	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
11.	Mr. Chaminda Thalgaswatta	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
12.	Mr.Ravi Krishan Jayawardena	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
13.	Mr. Ben Rajitha Shyamal Gunawardena	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
14.	Mrs. V.A.H.Sandaruwani	Board Member of the Council	28.04.2015
15.	Mr.W.Buddhika Lakmal Gunasekara	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
16.	Mrs.Nirosha Virajani	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
17.	Mr.Niluka Karunarathne	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015
18.	Mrs. Nipuna Sarangi Gunarathne	Board Member of the Council	15.03.2015 – 24.02.2017

Source – Secretarial Division, National Youth Services Council, Maharagama

02. Audit and Management Committee - 2017

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|--|---|------------------------|
| ❖ Mr.C.H.S.Dangalla
Assistant Director
Department of Public Finance | - | Chairman |
| ❖ Mr.Dasun Nagashena (Attorney- at- Law)
A Member of the Board of Directors of
the National Youth Services Council | - | Member |
| ❖ Mr. Ben Rajitha Shyamal Gunawardena | - | Member |
| ❖ Mrs. P.A.Kanthi | - | Observer |
| ❖ Mrs. M.A.S.Pushparani
Audit Officer
Government Audit Division | - | Invitee |
| ❖ Mr.W.L.Namarathne | - | Secretary/Convener |
| ❖ Mrs.C.K.Herath | - | Ex. Secretary/Convener |

Source – Internal Audit Division, National Youth Services Council, Maharagama

03. Details of the Income Received and Expenditure Incurred By the National Youth Services Council

Table 1 - Allocations received by the National Youth Services Council in the year 2017

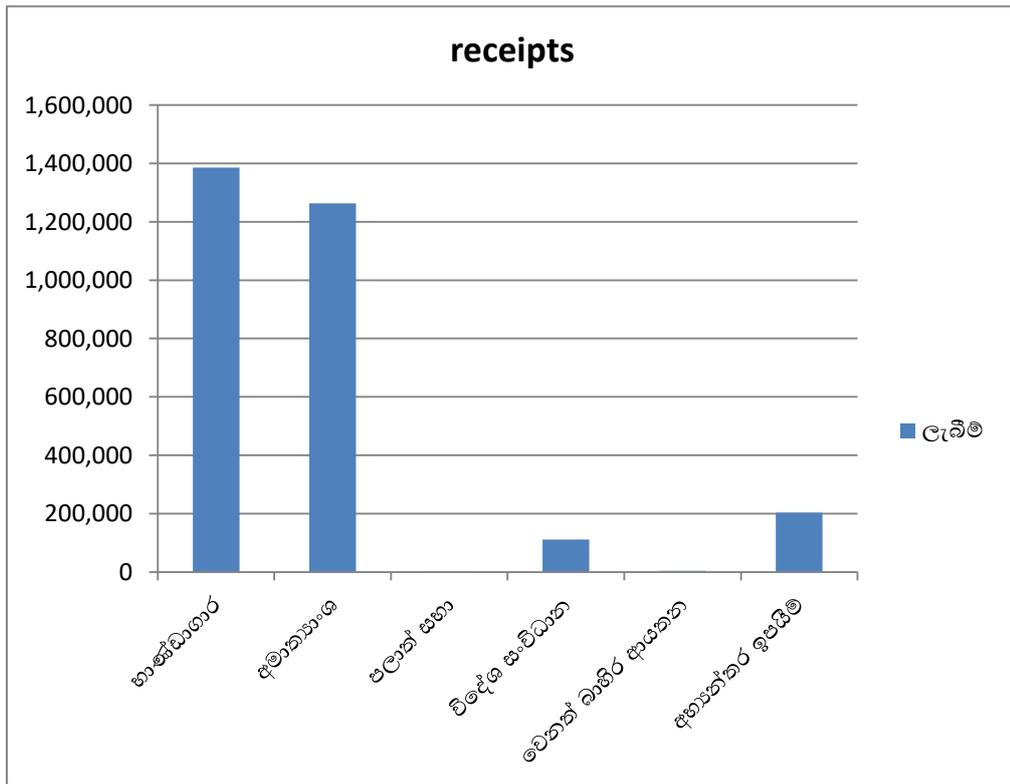
		Rs. '000
		2017
Receipts - Treasury		
	Recurrent	918,170
	Development	328,554
	Capital	139,200
Total		1,385,924
Receipts - Ministries and State Institutions		
	Recurrent	720,770
	Capital	542,230
Total		1,263,000
Receipts – Provincial Councils		
	Provincial Councils	150
Total		150
Receipts – International Organizations		
	Recurrent	32,320
	Capital	79,571
Total		111,891
Receipts – Other External Institutions		
	Recurrent	4,400
Total		4,400
Internally Generated Income		
	Internal Income	203,237
Total		203,237
Grand Total		2,968,602

Table 2 - Expenditure incurred by the National Youth Services Council in the year 2017

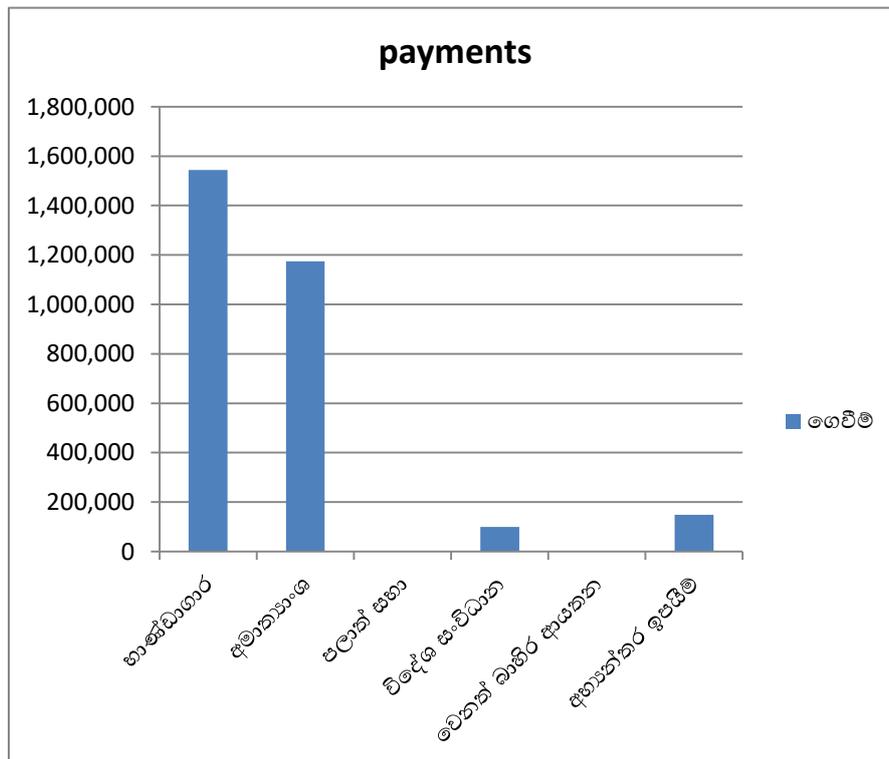
Rs.'000

		2017
Expenditure - Treasury		
	Recurrent	1,075,990
	Development	328,554
	Capital	139,200
Total		1,543,744
Expenditure - Ministries and State Institutions		
	Recurrent	749,745
	Capital	424,534
Total		1,174,279
Expenditure – Provincial Councils		
	Provincial Councils	150
Total		150
Expenditure - International Organizations		
	Recurrent	30,128
	Capital	69,115
Total		99,243
Expenditure – Other External Institutions		
	Recurrent	2,090
Total		2,090
Expenditure – Internally Generated Income		
	Development	143,357
	Capital	4,491
Total		147,848
Grand Total		2,967,354

Graph 1 - Allocations received by the National Youth Services Council in the year 2017



Graph 2 - Expenditure incurred by the National Youth Services Council in the year 2017



Treasury, Ministry, Provincial Council, International Organizations, Other External Organizations, Internally Generated Income

Table 3 – Administration and Development Expenditure incurred towards the National Youth Services Council from the allocations by the Treasury, Internally Generated Income and of direct and indirect expenses borne by the other External Organizations during 2012-2017 (Rupees in Million)

Allocation	Year					
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Development	551	716	831	565	768	1212
Administration	630	745	795	1014	1014	1075

Graph 3 - Administration and Development Expenditure incurred towards the National Youth Services Council from the allocations by the Treasury, Internally Generated Income and of direct and indirect expenses borne by the other External Organizations during 2012-2017 (Rupees in Million)

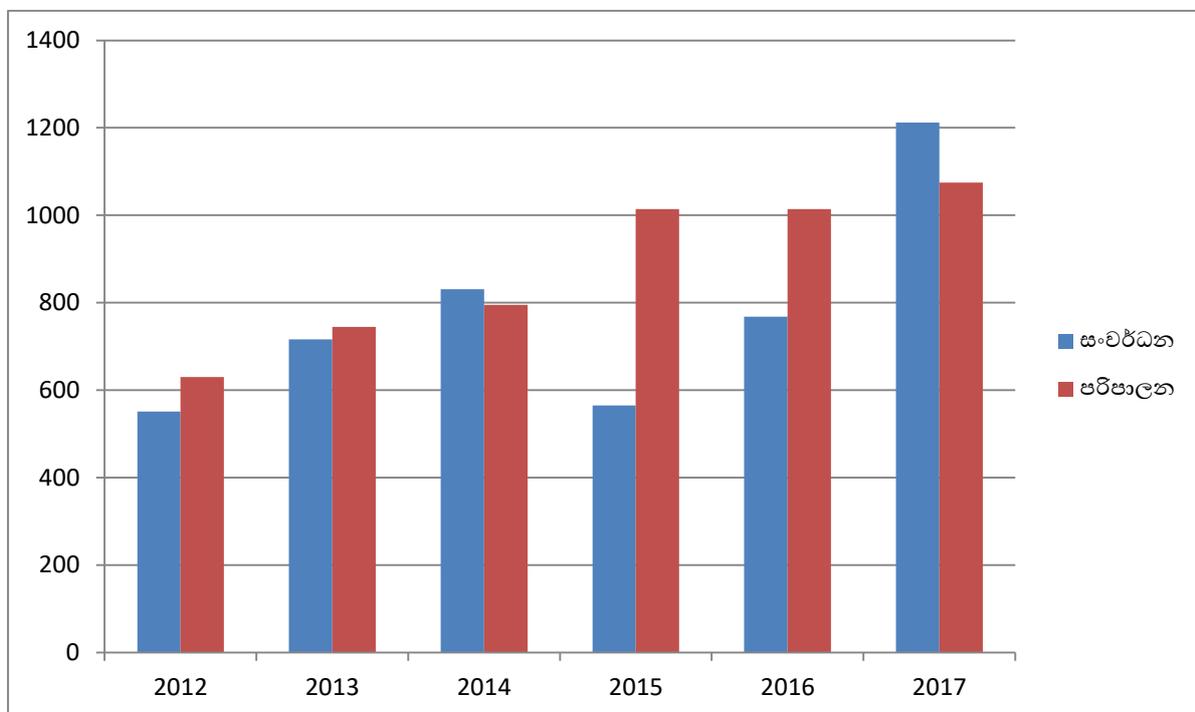


Table 4 - Expenditure Summary of Development Programmes

In '000					
S.No.	Programme	Allocation (Rs.)		Expenditure (Rs.)	
		Treasury	Ministry	Treasury	Ministry
01.	Aesthetic Skills Development Programme	56,690	-	39.15	-
02.	International Youth Relations Activities	35,000	-	45.32	-
03.	Youth Organizations and Development Programmes	41,000	50,000	42.54	50.35
04.	Activities of the Youth Awards Authority	7,000	-	5.36	1.20
05.	Sport Development Activities	112,500	-	107.07	0.06
06.	Technical and Vocational Training Activities	58,200	-	52.72	15.29
07.	Youth Cooperatives and Enterprise Development Activities	4,500	-	2.60	-
08.	Economic Promotion and Farm Activities	19,504	-	17.82	0.36
09.	Media Activities	7,400	-	6.44	-
10.	NYSCO Video Activities	4,750	-	2.47	-
11.	Activities carried out by Planning and Development Division	4,650	-	2.25	-
12.	Activities carried out by ICT Division	5,000	-	1.71	-
13.	Performance and Officer Evaluation Division Activities	10,000	-	8.36	-
14.	Activities carried out by the Construction Division	82,000	-	89.00	-
15.	Activities carried out by the Supplies Division	40,000	-	35.59	-
16.	Activities carried out by the Special Projects Division	11,806	783,200	9.34	682.48
Total		<u>500,000</u>	<u>833,200</u>	<u>467.75</u>	<u>749.74</u>

Note

Out of the Rs.1000 million, being the estimated value under budget proposal 329, Rs. 13.411 million had been spent for purchases and Rs.411.122 million had been spent for constructions.

04. Development Activities - 2017

The programmes executed by the Development Division in compliance with the youth development programmes implemented by the National Youth Services Council during the year 2017 were given below.

4.1 Youth Organizations and Development Activities

Brief Description

1. The main tasks entrusted to the Youth Organizations and Development Division are providing assistance to village youths to cluster together and share their experiences, to provide background towards contributing to the national development and provide facilities to this effect, to provide technical and financial assistance to utilize their spare time in an efficient manner and thereby ensure social consolidation and regulating the rural youth organization network.
2. The regional boards, district boards and national boards have undertaken the task of paving the way to youths to contribute to development activities in the region, and to take part in such activities in a manner that will attract the attention of the general public in that area and bring the ground level youth leadership up to the national and international arena and the Youth Organizations and Development Division expects to integrate them to national development process.
3. To make Sri Lankan youths capable of becoming successful in their professional capacities in national as well as international level.
4. To provide the guidance in scientific manner and the relevant information in order to familiar with how to select jobs, professional training or educational opportunities based on personal preferences and skills.
5. To organize different youth groups including youths in the youth clubs, vocational trainees etc. and to introduce access for better coordination towards proper interaction among such similar organizations and government/ non-government sectors.

Table 05 - Progress on the establishment of Youth Clubs up to 30th November 2017

S.No	Programme	No. of Programmes	Participation
01.	Establishment of Youth Clubs	12,152	338,007
02.	Establishment of Regional Boards	334	33,400
03.	Establishment of District Boards	26	3,900
04.	Consultative Committee	329	28,833

Table 06 - Details of the youth clubs registered at the Sri Lanka Youth Club Federation during the year 2017 (up to 30.11.2017)

S.No.	District	No. of Regional Boards	No. of G.N.Divisions	No. of Members (in terms of documents)	No. of Youth Clubs registered at the Federation of Youth Clubs
1.	Colombo	08	454	6909	303
2.	Colombo 1	08	103	2115	95
3.	Gampaha	13	1177	19171	862
4.	Kalutara	14	762	19728	616
5.	Galle	19	896	16080	694
6.	Matara	16	650	11769	593
7.	Hambantota	12	576	10028	473
8.	Kandy	20	1188	25056	937
9.	Matale	11	545	9808	458
10.	Nuwaraeliya	05	491	11176	452
11.	Monaragala	11	319	8303	318
12.	Badulla	15	567	19063	523
13.	Kegalle	11	573	10712	514
14.	Ratnapura	17	575	15516	540
15.	Kurunegala	30	1610	29717	1354
16.	Puttalam	16	548	10396	462
17.	Anuradhapura	22	694	20052	650
18.	Polonnaruwa	07	295	9022	278
19.	Trincomalee	11	230	11674	260
20.	Batticaloa	14	348	17943	361
21.	Ampara	20	503	25601	480
22.	Vavuniya	04	102	4437	101
23.	Mannar	05	153	7630	172
24.	Kilinochchi	04	95	3423	95
25.	Mullaitivu	06	136	2513	135
26.	Jaffna	15	435	10033	418
	Total	334	14,025	337,875	12,144

Photograph 01 - Special Moments of the Activities of the Youth Organizations Division



Graph 04 - No. of Registered Youth Clubs

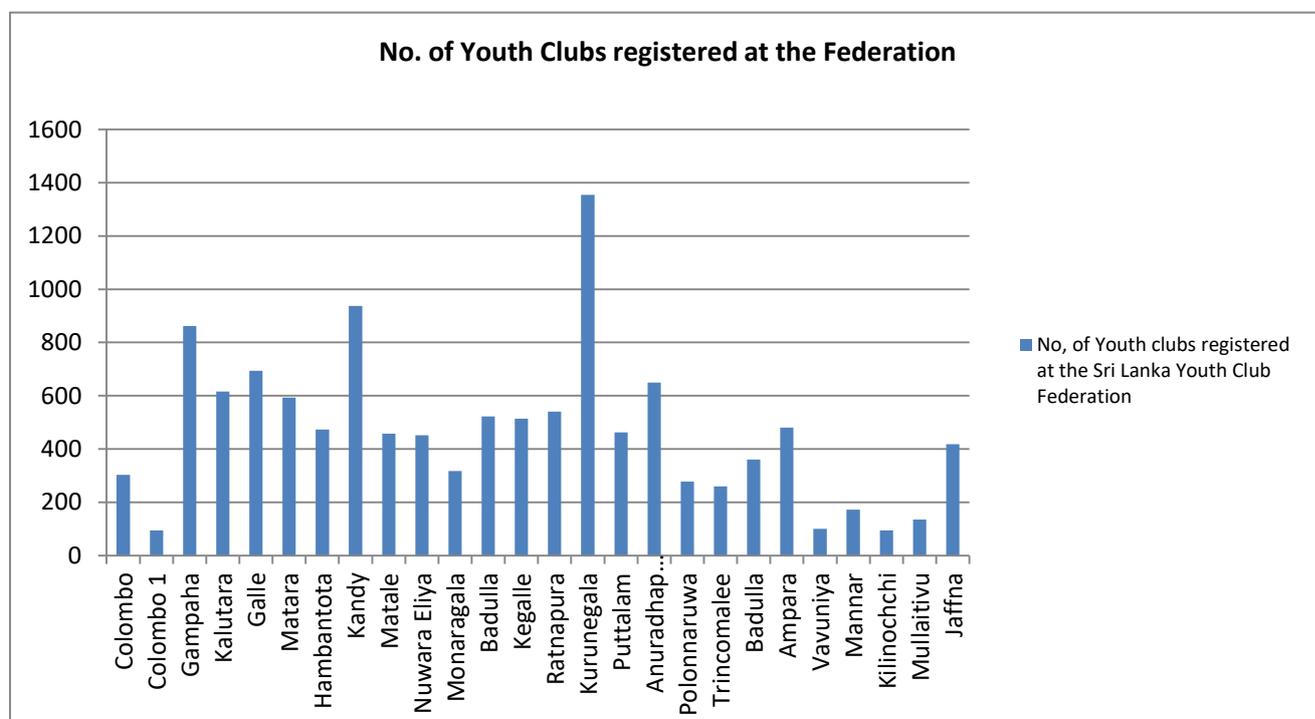


Table 07 - Details on the Programmes of the Youth Organizations and Development Division

S.N o.	Programme	No. of Programmes	Participation
01	Thai Pongal Festival	01	1,532
02	Awareness Programme on “Hope” Programme	334	33,400
03	National Youth Day Celebrations	01	1,385
04	National Youth Day Commemoration Programmes	26	5,676

05	International Youth Day Programme	01	1,426
06	Regional Programmes on “No Drugs, We Youth”	468	51,080
07	Local Youth Exchange Programme	10	661
08	“Healthy Youth” – Programme on Prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases	36	2,357
09	Formulation of 2018-2020 Action Plan	03	223
10	Programme to identify health issues of the youth community	07	332

Table 08 - Programmes implemented in collaboration with other Institutions

S.No.	Programme	District	Location	No. of Participants	Expenditure incurred by
01	Debate Competition	In 26 Districts	Trincomalee	309	Plan International
02	Training Workshop on Decision Making Process	Moneragala	Sarvodaya Institute, Thanamalwila	62	Plan International
03	Workshop on Procedures to be followed when step in to World of Work from School	Colombo	Berjaya Hotel Mount Lavinia	44	ESCAP
04	Opening of New Centres	Ampara/ Batticaloa/ Vavuniya	Amapara/ Batticaloa/ Vavuniya	Amapara - 98 Batticaloa - 65 Vavuniya - 58	UNICEF
05	District Assembly of the Project on “Our Voice Matters”	Moneragala	Moneragala Public Library Auditorium	150	Plan International
06	District Assembly of the Project on “Our Voice Matters”	Anuradhapura	Anuradhapura, The Grand Hotel	300	Plan International
07	National Dialogue on Youths	Colombo	BMICH	475	-

❖ Career Guidance and Counselling Activities

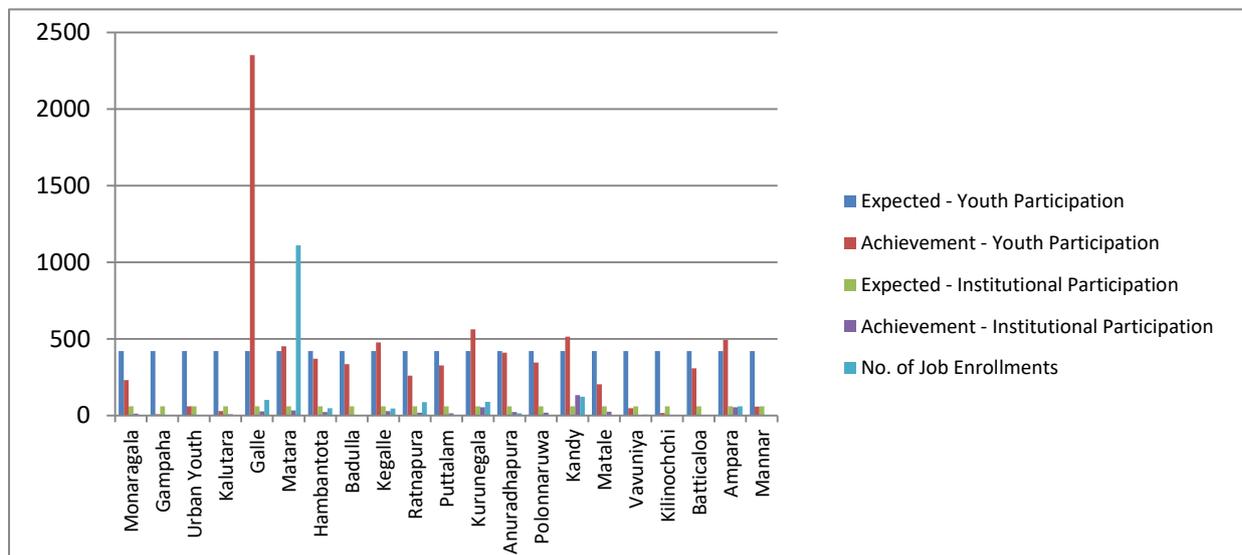
Objectives

1. To build up Sri Lankan youths who can become triumphant in career spheres nationally as well as internationally.
2. To provide relevant career guidance and information as to identify how to select a suitable job on the basis of own requirements.

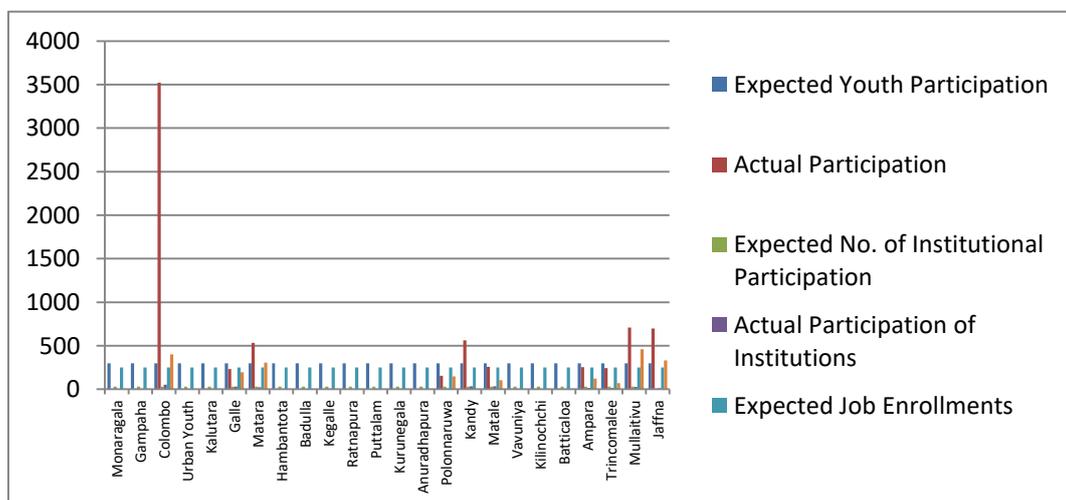
Main Programmes

1. Developing Career Guidance Centres, Job Bank Centres and maintaining “Yowun Mithuro” Counselling Centres
2. Job Market Programme
3. Awareness Programme on “Build up Life Targets”

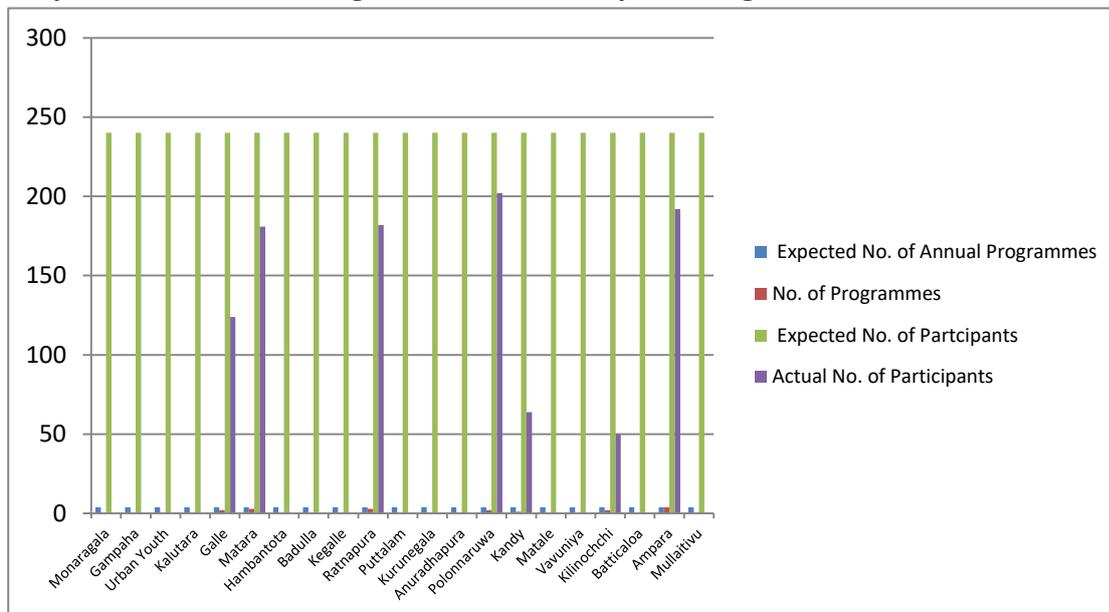
Graph 05 - Progress on Career Guidance and Job Market Centres



Graph 06 - District wise progress of Job Market



Graph 07 - Awareness Programme on "Build up Life Targets"



4.2 Sports Development Activities

One of the main concerns of the Sports Division is to take action to assist the National Youth Services Council in its role as the pioneer in the formation of healthy Sri Lankan Youths. The Sports Division commits to serve the youth community with the main objective of giving them access to make use of their strengths to national development process by awakening their skills and strengths through organizing and implementing scientifically designed proper sports programmes expected by the National Youth Services Council towards creation of physically and mentally strengthened healthy Sri Lankan Youth.

To this effect, the Sports Division had organized and implemented below mentioned programmes and its physical progress is given below.

1. 29th National Youth Sports Festival
2. 30th Youth Services Volleyball Tournament
3. Sports Training Camp Project
4. Youth Services Sports Club Programme
5. Youth Services Sports Squad Programme
6. Distribution of sport goods and equipment to Youth Clubs and other Youth Organizations

Table 09 - Development Activities of the Sports Division

S.No.	Project	No. of Programmes	No. of Participants
01.	29 th National Youth Sports Festival	-	-
	a. Divisional Youth Sports Festival	334	321660
	b. District Sports Festival	26	34443
	c. National Level Team Events	19	3840
	d. 29 th National Youth Sports Festival	01	1534
02.	30 th Youth Services - Rupavahini Volleyball Tournament		
	a. Youth Services - Rupavahini Challenge Trophy –District Level	26	3628
	b. Youth Services - Rupavahini Challenge Trophy –National Level	01	498
	c. Youth Services - Rupavahini Super League – National Level Matches	44	192
	d. Youth Services - Rupavahini Challenge Trophy Finals – National Level	04	156
03.	Sports Training Camp Project	13	638
04.	Youth Services Sports Club Programme	14	1225
05.	Youth Services Sports Squad Programme	04	58

06. 192 no. of sport goods and equipment under 06 categories were distributed to the Youth Clubs and other Youth Organizations.

Photograph 02 - Special Moments of Sports Development Activities

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4.3 Aesthetic Skills Development Activities

The Cultural Division has been established in the National Youth Services Council for the purpose of organizing variety cultural programmes with the participation of youths and further, the important role of the division is to identify the aspiring young artists who embark to nurture the Sri Lankan artistic field, to assist them in their activities and to evaluate the same. It is the responsibility of the National Youth Services Council to formulate a proper programme to identify youth artists at the rural level and to introduce them to the national level, thus the Cultural Division holds and play a significant responsibility as well as role in this regard.

Table 10 - Details of the programmes implemented by the Cultural Division in the year 2017

S.No.	Name of the Programme	No. of Participants(Expected)	No. of Participants
01	National Youth Awards Competition and Festival	33,400	32,938
02	National Youth Drama Festival	1,000	1,710
03	Aesthetic Centres Development	407	239
04	Diploma in Drama and Theatre	40	32
05	Youth Drama Show	5,200	5,720
06	National Cultural Programmes	3,000	4,250

Photograph 03 - Special Moments of the Programmes implemented by the Cultural Division



4.4 Technical and Vocational Training Activities

Whilst transforming all the Vocational Training Centres under the National Youth Services Council into Quality Management Accredited Training Centres, National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) accredited workers will be made available by providing training pertinent to domestic and international standards.

Table 11 - Details of the Programmes conducted by the Technical and Vocational Training Division in the year 2017

S.No.	Name of the Programme	No. of Programmes	Youth Participation
01	Improvement of Job oriented Courses		
	• Full-Time Courses	51	1,101
	• Part-Time Courses	673	18,489

Table 12 - The Courses conducted at the Training Centres

S.No.	Name of the Centre	No. of Courses		Code relevant to the Course
		Full time	Part time	
01	Maharagama Training Centre	15	19	5, 10, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 31, 33, 35, 46, 41, 40, 58, 61, 66, 72, 77, 79, 81, 84, 90, 93
02	Jinarathna Centre	04	-	30,72,74,90
03	Ratmalana Centre	17	59	1, 4, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 18, 20, 22, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 39, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48, 50, 52, 41, 53, 46, 57, 58, 60, 90, 62, 63, 65, 66, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 77, 80, 81, 83, 84, 85,86, 89, 92, 94, 95, 97, 99, 100
04	Dehiwala Centre	05	31	3, 5, 11, 13, 41, 18, 20, 22, 26, 37, 40, 42, 46, 49, 51, 41, 90, 64, 66,70, 72, 71, 74, 75, 77, 78, 83, 84, 85, 86, 95
05	Kolonnawa Centre	05	11	2, 3, 18, 43, 44, 46, 31, 41, 66, 72, 77, 84, 90
06	Panadura Centre	06	11	3, 4, 17, 18, 33, 44, 46, 41, 58, 61, 64, 66, 77, 86, 90
07	Kobawaka Centre	05	02	2, 4, 18, 41, 64, 77, 90
08	Agalawatta Centre	02	03	31, 33, 46, 66, 68
09	Meewanapalana Centre	02	02	3, 46, 41
10	Sapugakanda Centre	06	09	3, 19, 55, 33, 46, 41, 54, 57, 72, 76, 79, 90
11	Meerigama Centre	05	06	3, 4, 18, 33, 41, 64, 66, 77, 81, 90
12	Kahawa Centre	02	01	14, 58, 87
13	Elpitiya Centre	03	05	4, 18, 33, 41, 55, 58, 77
14	Akmeemana Centre	05	-	31, 56, 74, 77, 79
15	Akuressa Centre	01	02	3, 41, 55
16	Matara Centre	03	02	18, 31, 41, 64, 77

17	Eraminiyaya Centre	05	01	31, 41, 56, 67, 72, 74
18	Yayawatta Centre	02	03	3, 31, 33, 41
19	Polgolla Centre	06	19	2, 3, 5, 19, 21, 33, 36, 37, 43, 46, 41, 90, 72, 77, 79, 84, 88, 91, 93, 94
20	Ulapane Centre	02	09	2, 3, 5, 8, 31, 33, 46, 40, 41, 66, 88
21	Rikillagaskada Centre	06	02	2, 3, 31, 33, 41, 77, 90
22	Naula Centre	01	-	31
23	Dambulla Centre	04	-	15, 16, 74, 79
24	Anuradhapura Centre	12	03	2, 4, 14, 18, 34, 41, 55, 58, 59, 72, 77, 90, 17, 98
25	Kekirawa Centre	05	-	18, 72, 77, 87, 90
26	Kahatagasdingiliya Centre	04	03	3, 18, 31, 46, 41, 77, 90
27	Ratnapura Centre	05	-	2, 31, 41, 67
28	Palmadulla Centre	01	02	18, 31, 77
29	Embilipitiya Centre	04	04	2, 3, 18, 33, 46, 41, 77, 87
30	Batangala Centre	02	-	15, 72
31	Ethugalpura Centre	06	03	3, 4, 14, 18, 31, 33, 34, 41, 77
32	Chilaw Centre	04	05	3, 4, 17, 18, 31, 77, 93
33	Anamaduwa Centre	04	-	77,41,18
34	Galgamuwa Centre	-	09	4,18,33,41,77,3
35	Mawathagama Centre	01	02	4, 33, 41
36	Polgahawela Centre	-	04	33, 2, 3, 41
37	Monaragala Centre	05	-	2, 31, 72, 82, 90
38	Orubendiwewa Centre	04	-	2, 90, 72, 57
39	Ampara Centre	03	05	4, 25, 33, 41, 55, 77, 79, 90
40	Trincomalee Centre	03	-	2, 41, 77
41	Sainthamarudu Centre	03	02	4, 14, 41,96
42	Padiyathalawa Centre	02	02	33, 41, 77, 90
43	Puthukuduiruppu Centre	04	-	41, 77, 79, 87
44	Vavuniya Centre	05	03	14, 25, 31, 40, 41, 46, 87
45	Mannar Centre	03	-	41, 77, 87
46	Kilinochchi Centre	02	-	87, 41

Table 13 - The Course Codes with respect to all the courses conducted by the National Youth Services Council

Code Number of the Course	Name of the Course	Code Number of the Course	Name of the Course
01	Marketing	40	Computer Hardware
02	Tailoring	41	Computer Application Assistant
03	English Language – Professional	42	Diploma in Computer Studies
04	English Language	43	Computer related Drawings
05	English Language - Diploma	44	Computer related Accounting
06	English Typing	45	Computerized Video Editing and 3D Editing
07	Engineering Draughtsman	46	Computer Graphics
08	Construction Supervisor	47	Administration of Computer Networks
09	Landscaping	48	3D Computing
10	Higher English Diploma	49	Computerized 3D Animations and Non-Linear Video Editing
11	Higher Computer aided Drawings and 3D Animations	50	Computer Hardware Engineer
12	Microsoft Visual Studio CINET Applications	51	Computer Multimedia
13	Management	52	Computer Printing and Graphic Designing
14	Room Boy	53	Computer Programmes
15	Agricultural Field Assistant	54	Development of Computer Web Sites
16	Repairing of Agricultural Machinery	55	Computer Certificates
17	Cakes and Cakes Structures	56	Plant Nursery Development Assistant
18	Hair Dresser	57	Welder
19	Korean Language	58	Pre-school Teacher Training Course
20	Store Keeping and Management	59	Western Music
21	Architect	60	Taxation
22	Mobile Phone Repairing	61	Baker
23	Mass Communication	62	Wedding Cake Structures
24	Japanese Language	63	Bridal Dressing and Hair Styles
25	Plumbing	64	Bridal Dressing
26	Network Engineer	65	Designing of Micro Circuits
27	Java Programming	66	Human Resources Management
28	Tig Welding	67	Jem Cutting
29	Creation of TV Video Programmes	68	Sewing
30	Repairing of Trishaw	69	Surveying Assistant
31	Information Technology and Communication Technology	70	Winding of Motors
32	Data Management	71	Motor Control

33	Tamil Language	72	Auto Mobile Technician
34	Dancing	73	Auto Mobile Technician
35	Tailroing without blocks	74	Motor Electrician
36	French Language	75	Bicycle Technician
37	Quantity Surveying	76	Typing and Shorthand
38	Computerized Non-Linear Video Editing and 3D Animation	77	Mechanic
39	Computer 3D Architecture	78	Beautician
79	Television Photographing and Directing Programmes	91	Electrician
80	Radio TV Repairing	92	Windows Applications
81	Linux Computer Network Administration	93	Professional Photography
82	Secretarial Practice	94	Professional Cookery
83	Carpenter	95	Web site Development
84	Business Management	96	Draughtsman
85	Air Conditioning and Refrigerator Repairer	97	Sinhala Language
86	Auto Air Conditioning Repairer	98	Sinhala Typewriting
87	Automobile Electrician	99	Sinhala Shorthand and Typing
88	Scientific Tailoring	100	CYSCO/ Information Technology Software and Hardware
89	Electrical Technologist	101	CYSCO Networking
90	Electronic Engineering		

All these courses are equivalent to relevant NVQ I, II, III, IV levels separately.

Photograph 04 - Electrician Course and Computer Course - Maharagama



Table 14 - Recruitment to Courses

S.No.	Training Centre	NVQ/ NON NVQ	No. of Recruits		No. of Courses (completed)	
			Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
01.	Maharagama	NVQ	658	-	583	-
		NON NVQ	334	1423	287	1183
02.	Ratmalana	NVQ	752	-	594	-
		NON NVQ	92	2432	73	1803
03.	Dehiwala	NVQ	162	-	122	-
		NON NVQ	35	1834	31	1342
04.	Jinarathna	NVQ	22	-	15	-
		NON NVQ	15	-	10	-
05.	Kolonnawa	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	156	355	109	265
06.	Panadura	NVQ	199	-	146	-
		NON NVQ	90	298	69	211
07.	Kobawaka	NVQ	120	-	83	-
		NON NVQ	63	79	37	62
08.	Agalawatta	NVQ	30	-	25	-
		NON NVQ	25	110	17	90
09.	Meewanapalana	NVQ	31	-	28	-
		NON NVQ	04	30	02	16
10.	Meerigama	NVQ	211	-	178	-
		NON NVQ	-	262	-	216
11.	Sapugaskanda	NVQ	147	-	120	-
		NON NVQ	-	258	-	186
12.	Pugoda	NVQ	-	66	-	37
		NON NVQ	-	238	-	132
13.	Elpitiya	NVQ	127	-	116	-
		NON NVQ	-	282	-	237
14.	Kahawa	NVQ	83	-	39	-
		NON NVQ	-	140	-	45
15.	Akmeemana	NVQ	36	-	20	-
		NON NVQ	80	-	53	-
16.	Akuressa	NVQ	40	-	31	-
		NON NVQ	28	92	24	61
17.	Matara	NVQ	161	-	134	-
		NON NVQ	-	68	-	53
18.	Eraminiyaya	NVQ	107	-	81	-
		NON NVQ	32	41	14	31
19.	Yayawatta	NVQ	102	-	81	-
		NON NVQ	48	125	42	88
20.	Ratnapura	NVQ	112	-	39	-
		NON NVQ	36	-	18	-
21.	Palmadulla	NVQ	80	-	78	-
		NON NVQ	-	186	-	146
22.	Embilipitiya	NVQ	114	-	86	-

		NON NVQ	9	153	9	115
23.	Batangala	NVQ	53	-	43	-
		NON NVQ	-	-	-	-
24.	Monaragala	NVQ	48	-	16	-
		NON NVQ	87	-	69	-
25.	Orubandiwewa	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	96	-	58	-
26.	Chilaw	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	293	171	211	121
27.	Anamaduwa	NVQ	182	-	99	-
		NON NVQ	-	691	-	226
28.	Mawathagama	NVQ	153	-	98	-
		NON NVQ	-	75	-	32
29.	Galgamuwa	NVQ	270	-	157	-
		NON NVQ	-	242	-	171
30.	Ethugalpura	NVQ	550	-	308	-
		NON NVQ	-	350	-	238
31.	Polgahawela	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	-	124	-	76
32.	Polgolla	NVQ	160	-	126	-
		NON NVQ	81	1681	60	1456
33.	Ulapane	NVQ	132	-	80	-
		NON NVQ	78	705	63	503
34.	Rikillagaskada	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	178	73	122	55
35.	Naula	NVQ	76	-	59	-
		NON NVQ	-	44	-	31
36.	Dambulla-Swiss	NVQ	112	-	55	-
		NON NVQ	-	-	-	-
37.	Anuradhapura	NVQ	292	-	188	-
		NON NVQ	263	159	211	141
38.	Kekirawa	NVQ	20	-	11	-
		NON NVQ	172	-	93	-
39.	Kahatagasdingiliya	NVQ	80	-	68	-
		NON NVQ	74	221	44	161
40.	Ampara	NVQ	129	-	77	-
		NON NVQ	33	284	31	169
41.	Dehiattakandiya	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	84	-	63	-
42.	Padiyathalawa	NVQ	-	-	51	-
		NON NVQ	116	43	84	24
43.	Sainthamarudu	NVQ	-	-	147	-
		NON NVQ	119	32	75	27
44.	Puthukuduiruppu	NVQ	62	-	45	-
		NON NVQ	181	165	131	111
45.	Trincomalee	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	204	-	112	-

46.	Kanthale	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	54	52	33	40
47.	Vavuniya	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	138	-	53	-
48.	Mannar	NVQ	-	52	-	25
		NON NVQ	159	-	70	-
49.	Kilinochchiya	NVQ	-	-	-	-
		NON NVQ	88	-	58	-
Total			9,158	13,568	6,663	9,814
Grand Total			-	22,726	-	16,477

4.5 International Youth Relation Activities

International Youth Relations Division, which is functioning as a division of the National Youth Services Council, provides opportunities to Sri Lankan Youth and the staff of the Council to participate in various international programmes. In addition, this Division undertakes the task of delivering superior and genuine service towards creation of dignified Sri Lankan youth with well disciplined, knowledgeable, and cherishes traditional values which can be showcased globally.

Table 15 - Programmes implemented by the International Youth Relations Division in 2017

S.No.	Programme	No. of Participants
01	International Youth Exchange Programme	434
02	Contribution of Sri Lankan Youth for the regional, international youth conventions, workshops and conferences	72
03	International Youth Ship Programme	12
04	United Nations Youth Representation Programme	02
05	Foreign Training Programmes of Officers (international youth conventions, workshops and conferences)	27
06	Voluntary Programmes	110
07	Training of youths who have been selected to foreign squads	208
08	English Language Training Programme for the members of the Youth Clubs	-

Photograph 05 - Highlights of the activities undertaken by the International Youth Relations Division



4.6 NYSCO Video Division

Due to various hardships in the competitive commercialized world, an environment had been emerged where youth could not utilize their competencies. In this context, it had been necessitated the fact that intervention of a State Institution was required. In this backdrop, the NYSCO Video Division was established by the National Youth Services Council.

- To implement various programmes for the betterment of Sri Lankan Youth in compliance with the vision and objectives of the Council and in conformity with the vision of the Division towards accomplishment of objectives of the National Youth Services Council.
- To make youth aware on television and other mass media sectors with the use of relevant clips from the aforementioned programmes.
- Videoing and conserving of activities carried out towards youth development.
- To telecast over television media the programmes, being intended for bring out talented youths into national level.
- Videoing of various programmes implemented for economic, social, political, psychological development of Sri Lankan Youth and conserving the same for use in necessary circumstances and providing the same to those who required it.

Table 16 - Development Activities of the NYSCO Video Division during the year 2017

S.No.	Programme	No. of Programmes	Physical Progress	
			Implemented Programmes	Actual Participation
01	News Coverage (Production and Editing of Programmes)	120	184	As and when necessary
02	6 th Short Films and Documentary Films Festival	01	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publicity for the programme • Conducting a workshop • Receiving of short films and documentary films • Judging • Award Festival 	867
03	Carrying out studio cleaning and maintenance activities	01	01	As and when necessary
04	Purchasing of in-house equipment	01	-	-

Further, one year programme equivalent to NVQ 5th Level on Television Programmes Production Technologies was commenced under internal source of funds on 21.07.2017 with the participation of 33 trainees in view of enhancing creativity of youths, skills development and latest technology and conducive towards economic development. The said programme will conclude on 22nd July 2018.

Photograph 06 – Highlights of the activities of the NYSCO Video Division



4.7 Economic Promotion and Farm Development Activities

i. Agricultural Development Activities

- To get the Sri Lankan Youth into the right track to win the future farmlands through mobilizing new technologies and knowledge, conserving environmental equilibrium with maximum utilization of resource and financial management.

ii. Farm Development

- Development and maintenance of 18 farm centres
- Conducting markets for farm produces
- Implementation of projects for value addition of farm produces
- Conducted *Mobile Agricultural Clinics* in Doluwa, Eraminiyaya Farms

Table 17 - Details with reference to participations in trainee sharmadana Camps

Farm Centre	Date conducted	No. of Participants
Doluwa	2017.06.16 - 19	26
Eraminiyaya	2017.06.12 -15	34

- Trainings for self-employment.

iii. Agricultural Courses (NVQ)

- 14 Agricultural Courses were conducted in 08 Centres.
- Conducted field visits of trainees and quiz programmes (participation – 207 trainees, venue – Department of Agriculture, Gannoruwa)
- Agricultural Courses – Plant Nursery Development Assistant and Field Assistant (Agriculture) NVQ4

iv. Various Programmes

- Organized sharmadana, expeditions, stalls (Hela Nipayum) and planting programmes for Yowun Puraya Programme in Trincomalee
- Contributed to National Food Production Drive – “Stand together, fill stores with agricultural produce”
- Provided assistance to dengue prevention programme
- Implementation of productivity programme

Table 18 - Summary of the Programmes implemented by the Agricultural Development Division.

S.No.	Name of the Programme	No. of Programmes	Youth Participation
01	Farm Development	18	-
02	Agricultural Courses	14	222

Photograph 07 – Highlights of the Activities of the Agricultural Development Division



4.8 Planning and Development Division

The division undertakes the proper planning of institutional activities; enhance the institutional performance by providing guidance to implement planned activities and preparation of all the progress reports of the Council.

- Formulation of Institutional Plans
- Conduct regional and staff meetings and special meetings
- Preparation of all the progress reports
- Library development activities

Table 19 - Programmes of the Planning and Development Division

S.NO.	Name of the Programme	No. of Programmes
01.	Formulation of plans	29
02.	Library development activities	01
03.	Preparation of progress reports and reports	15

Photograph 08 - Highlights of the Activities of the Planning and Development Division



4.9 Performance Evaluation and Officer Training Division

The one of the main tasks of the Performance Evaluation and Officer Training Division is to enhance the knowledge, skills and attitudes of officers (human resource development) during officer training in order to fill the gap between expected level and existing level of performance in view of providing their services extremely well and sincerely whilst working as the pioneer in youth development towards empowerment of Sri Lankan youth to confront life challenges by utilizing local and international opportunities.

Performance Evaluation and Officer Training Division functions under 02 categories with the Treasury funds. Namely,

- Staff Training Sector
- Performance Evaluation Programme

Under the Staff training sector following activities are being carried out.

- Organization and implementation of training programmes for the staff.
- Set up productivity concept within the organization and implementation of the same in Regional Offices, District Offices and Training Centres located island wide.
- Implementation of Management Skills Development Programme.
- Payment of Course fees for the courses followed by the officers in the Council which are offered from other external institutions subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 2 lakhs.
- Sending of officers to short term courses conducted by other external institutions in view of enhancing their knowledge, skills and attitudes.

Through the Performance Evaluation Programme, necessary action is taken to evaluate the performance of the officers in the Council and to enhance the performance of them. Through the activities of the Performance Evaluation Programme, the officers with higher performance are provided with complements and certificates and necessary action is taken to achieve required levels of knowledge, skills and attitudes in respect of the officers with lower performances.

Table 20 – Training Programmes and Workshops implemented in 2017

S.No.	Sectors relevant to Training Programmes	No. of Programmes	No. of Participants
01	Staff Training Sector	30	2,112
02	Performance Evaluation Programme	14	297

Photograph 09 - Highlights of the Activities of the Performance Evaluation and Officer Training Division



4.10 Media Division

The Media Division of the National Youth Services Council has been established based on diverse especial objectives. The philosophy of the Council is to create an empowered youth for the nation.

The expectations of the Media Division are to create an empowered youth, to provide him/her with due recognition, to arrange wide publicity for the youth development programmes that have been established for him/her, to make a group of youths to the country who are well acquainted with all aspects of audio, visual and printed media.

The Media Division engages in gaining momentum for the youth development continuously in order to succeed in reaching objectives of the National Youth Services Council in a context where it is difficult lead to a life without modes of communication. It also takes part in inculcating the value of youth development among the general public of Sri Lanka.

.Table 21 - Programmes implemented by the Media Division in 2017

S.No.	Programme	No. of Activities undertaken	Target Group	No. of Participants
01	Media Publicity	16	Youths and General Public	-
02	Media School	20	School Children of age 15-20 years	4000
03	Provincial wise Media Workshops	12	Youths of age 18-27 who are interested in the field of media	600
04	National Media Workshop	01	Youths of age 18-27 who are interested in the field of media	100

Photograph 10 - Highlights of the Activities carried out by the Media Division



4.11 Information Technology Division

Role of the Division;

Information Technology Development Division of the National Youth Services Council has been established to undertake all the information technology related needs of the Council.

01. To develop necessary technological facilities in order to carry out activities of the Council with the use of new technologies.
02. Information Communication to Sri Lankan Youth by formulation of an efficient communication methodology.
03. To provide information speedily by upgrading as well as updating the official website of the National Youth Services Council.
04. To maintain of the computer network system of the National Youth Services Council.
05. To organize and conduct awareness workshops on the use of information technology and security measures to the members of youth clubs of the National Youth Services Council.

are among the said needs.

Activities undertaken by the Division in the year 2017.

1. Compilation of information pertinent to State, Private and Non-Governmental Organizations which are providing similar service that of the National Youth Services Council as at January 2017.
2. Compilation of integrated quarterly report for each 03 months period on the activities carried out by the National Youth Services Council and its stakeholder institutions.
3. Preparation of a Database with respect to all the officers in the National Youth Services Council
4. Making the web page of **www.nysc.lk** in trilingual in such a way that represents all the information relevant to the National Youth Services Council from its inception to date and also the details of the divisions in the Council/ District Offices/ Regional Offices and Training Centers. Also it provides an easy access to all the required details on courses conducted by the Training Centers.
5. Facilitate prompt services based on the feedback received from external communities by using the “online chat” icon appeared in the Council’s website. (This online chat facility enables users to discuss all complaints/ criticism with us through online.)
6. Under the “app part” appeared in the Council’s website, compilation of a data system with more than 40,000 entries by including all the details of active members of youth clubs.
7. Provision of online registration facilities with respect to all the courses offered by the National Youth Services Council through the “Courses” icon appeared in its website.

4.12 Examination and Evaluation Division

Holding final examinations of the courses conducted by the National Youth Services Council Training Centres in systematical way and awarding national as well as internationally recognized certificates are being carried out by this Division and the main objective of this Division is to carry out course work and conduct and conclude examinations within approved time period with respect to courses conducted at all the training centers of the Council.

- The main task entrusted to this Division is conducting the final practical and written examinations in proper manner with respect to 64 courses at 02 times per year at 52 Centres island wide.
- Upon completion of holding final examinations, action is taken to release the results to respective centres not later than 03 months. Further giving away of NVQ and Non-NVQ Certificates ceremonially in prompt manner for the trainees those who have passed the examinations on regional, district and centre wise
- After conducting the final examinations, the trainees should be sent to six months on the job training (OJT). The Division properly undertakes the supervision of the overall progress of the trainees in OJT on centre wise.

- Issuing nationally and internationally accepted National Vocational Qualification Certificates (NVQ Certificate), subsequent to conducting assessments for skills-based courses conducted at the National Youth Services Council Training Centres.
- thereby providing opportunities to professionally qualified youths to find out employments expeditiously.
- This Division also undertakes development of curricula in order to conduct all the courses of National Youth Services Council's Training Centers under a common curricula.
- Training of counsellors to provide career guidance to all the students at our training centers located island wide.

Table 22 – Details of the Programmes of the Examination and Evaluation Division in 2017

S.No.	Name of the Programme	Participation	
		First Term	Second Term
01	Conducting Practical Examinations	9,420	9,870
02	Conducting of Final Examinations	9,420	9,870
03	Awarding of Certificates	7,269	7,408
04	NVQ Final Evaluations	550	700
05	NVQ Written Examinations	924	699
06	Issuing of NVQ Certificates	750	450
07	On the Job Training (OJT) Programme	1,300	1,520

Photograph 11 - Highlights of the Activities of the Examination and Career Evaluation Unit



4.13 Special Projects Division

Programmes on Youth with Talent , 3000 Youth Community Development Projects (Thurunu Shrama Skakthi) - 2017

The Sri Lanka Youth Parliament engages in identifying the issues that affect the rural and urban communities and addressing the said issues, making the youth aware on the role of youths towards strengthening the country's economy and make way to active participation for the same, encouraging the feelings of competitiveness and success among the members of the youth clubs and mobilize them to achieve the objectives set out at the establishment of the National Youth Services Council.

Areas under which projects has been implemented

1. Community Development Projects based on common needs
2. Environmental Development and Conservation Projects
3. Technological and Innovation Projects
4. Economical and Job Generation Projects
5. Agricultural and Irrigation Projects
6. Area specific Special Projects

Photograph 12 – Highlights of some of the Youth Community Development Projects (Thurunu Shrama Skakthi)



Youth with Talent Show-2017 (The Entertainment Programme)

Action was taken to identify the youths with individual specific potentials and skills and conduct competitions at district and national level. Thereafter, they were brought to the national level by further enhancing their skills and pave the way towards creating group of dignified youths who can emerge triumphant at the international level.

Photograph 13 – Highlights of the Youth With Talent Programme



This programme was conducted by the National Youth Services Council in collaboration with the Independence Television Network.

Youth Parliament -2017/2018

It is expected from the Youth Parliament that youth are to be provided with the opportunities in the state policy formulation and planning process, to provide hands on experience on the democratic procedures and to make future youth political leaders through a process which builds up reconciliation by consensus through dialogue on different viewpoints of different ethnicities.

- Duration - 1 1/2 -02 years
- Composition - 225 members
- from the election process held on electoral basis, with the vote of youth club members - 160
- Bonus electoral seats, representative from the different fields including universities, and representatives of different professions - 65

Photograph 14 - Some of the special occasions of the Special Project Division



4.14 National Youth Awards Division

Introduction about the Division

The National Youth Awards Authority which had been established under the purview of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Employment in 1980, has now been functioning as the National Youth Awards Division of the National Youth Services Council.

In 2017, the National Youth Awards Division functioned as a Division of the National Youth Services Council which was then come under the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs.

The International Award Programme of the Duke of Edinburgh, being inaugurated in United Kingdom was initiated in Sri Lanka by the incumbent Prime Minister Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe who was the then Minister of Youth Affairs and Employment in 1980.

It is a youth development programme with educational activities intended to spend the leisure time of the youths of 14-24 age group in a more productive way. The main objectives of the programme are personality development of the youths engaged in educational activities such as service rendering, expeditions, skills and preferences and physical fitness, and creating a well-developed youth through building up international relations, meeting the challenges, encourages students towards innovations. Upon completion of the award activities, the assessors of the Youth Award Division supervise the relevant notes and reports. Subsequent to this, those who have fulfilled the required criteria and qualifications are awarded with awards and certificates at a national ceremony presided over by the leaders of the country.

The benefits achieved by the Youth Awards Division in the year 2017.

1. Action was taken to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs and the Ministry of Education to facilitate implementation of the Duke of Edinburgh International Award Programme in all the schools which come under the Ministry of Education and thereafter a letter was issued under the signature of the Secretary to the Ministry of Education to all such schools.
2. It has been able to acquire a formal license in 2017 instead of the temporary certificate which had been granted to the Youth Awards Division to implement this International Youth Awards Programme.
3. Sri Lankan Gold Award Winner Ms. Tharindra Arumapperuwa representing the Asia Pacific region has been selected as the emerging female leader by vote to the International Council of the Duke of Edinburgh International Award Foundation. It was a remarkable achievement that Sri Lanka has achieved in its 37 years history.

4. For the first time Sri Lankan Youth Team was engaged in an expedition tour in the Kathmandu town of Nepal in view of promoting mutual understanding, cooperation and friendship among the countries in the region.
5. It had been able to initiate Youth Award Programme in some of the most disadvantaged districts in the island such as Moneragala, Puttalam, Ampara, Badulla.
6. It has been able to increase the number of Youth Award Units into 100 which stood at 81 in the year 2016.

Table 23 - Details of the Programmes conducted by the Youth Awards Division in 2017

S.No.	Programmes implemented	Participation
01	Youth Awards Ceremony	1281
02	Training Programme for the members of trainer groups of Youth Awards	02
03	Programme to enhance the efficiency of Youth Awards Leaders	52
04	1 Leadership Training Programme for New Youth Awards Leaders (Kurunegala District)	37
	2 Awareness Activities for School Children	85
05	Leadership Training Programme for New Youth Awards Leaders (Puttalam District)	30
06	Full supervision with respect to granting license to implement Youth Awards Programme in Sri Lanka and the arrival of Ms. Suvokor, a Director of the International Award Foundation for the aforementioned purpose.	82
07	Asia Pacific Regional Annual Workshop	02
08	Awareness Programme for Child Protection Officers	52
09	International Challenging Tour of the Candidates of Youth Awards	23
10	Implementation of Youth Awards Programme in Prisons and Child Care Homes	42
11	International Convention on Gold Awards	01
12	Project on implementation of Duke of Edinburgh International Award Programme in less advantaged schools (12 Programmes)	258

Photograph 15 – Activities of the Youth Awards Division



4.15 Youth Cooperatives and Enterprise Development Division

Vision:- To be a pioneer organization towards establishment of an enterprise culture in the country whilst guiding to minimize the economic vulnerability of the Sri Lankan Youth Community.

Mission :- Our mission is to develop the youth cooperative network in qualitative, quantitative and sustainable manner by a competent staff enriched with knowledge, attitudes and skills with maximum levels of productivity and efficiency in order to deliver services to youth entrepreneurs whilst implementing income generating projects.

Table 24 – Programmes implemented by the Youth Co-operatives and Enterprise Development Division

S.No.	Programme	No. of Programme	No. of Participants
01	Entrepreneurship Training Programme	17	522
02	Training Programme on Fish Production	02	54
03	Preparation of indigenous Foods and Selling	01	30
04	Progress Review of NYSCO District Associations	01	65
05	Business Technology School	01	The programme was not held due to less no. of participants.

Conducted aforementioned programmes, encouraged youth towards self-employments and the loan receivers during the year.

- I. No. of beneficiaries who were granted with loans ranging from Rs. 5,000.00 to 350,000.00 by the NYSCO Societies - 598 Value – Rs. 13,807,400.00
- II. No. of beneficiaries who received loan amount of Rs. 500,000.00 for self-employment subsequent to conducting the entrepreneurship programmes - 02 Value – Rs. 1,000,000.00
- III. No. of loan receivers who has received loan amount of Rs. 250,000.00 under Sawa shakthi loan scheme subsequent to conducting the entrepreneurship programmes - 24 Value – Rs. 6,000,000.00

Photograph 16 – Programmes conducted by the Youth Cooperatives and Enterprise Development Division



5. Activities of the Administration Division - 2017

5.1 Administration Functions

The functions carried out by the Administrative Division of the National Youth Services Council from 01.01.2017 to 31.12.2017.

In terms of the functions entrusted to the Administrative Division with respect to recruitment of required employees in terms of the provisions of National Youth Service Act, No.69 of 1979 to implement programmes, promotions were given in the year 2017. However, action as to transfers, dismissal from the service in terms of disciplinary orders, vacation of post, salaries and wages, retirements from service and resignations from service were taken in the similar manner as of the previous years. Approved cadre and existing vacancies in the cadre are given below.

Table 25 – Details of the Administrative functions of the Administration Division

S.No.	Administrative Task	Post	In Numbers
01	New Recruitments (Permanent)	Assistant Director	01
		Civil Engineer	01
		Technical Assistant	03
		Electrician	05
		Assistant Youth Services Officer	68
		Management Assistant	71
02	Attending to the Duties in the Post of Assistant Director – granting appointments	Assistant Director	23

03	New Recruitments (Contract Basis)	Training Consultant	24
04	New Recruitments (Casual Basis)	Driver	03
		Office Assistant	05
05	Granting Promotions	Manager (Training)	10
		Procurement Officer	01
		Computer Programmer	01
		Publicity Officer	02
		Translator	01
		Librarian	01
06	Granting Permanent Appointments to Casual Employees	Assistant Youth Services Officer	12
07	Retirements	Deputy Director	01
		Youth Services Officer 1 District Youth Services Officer (Covering up Duties)	01
		Performer (Dancing)	01
		District Youth Services Officer	01
		Driver - Class I	04
		Youth Services Officer 1	06
		Labourer	01
		Management Assistant 1	07
		Technician - Class I	02
		Watcher	02
		Management Assistant (Technical)	01
		Book Keeper	02
		Watcher	01
		Deputy Director (Covering up Duties)	01
		Administrative Officer	01
		Transport Officer	01
		Assistant Director	01
08	List of officials who have been retired on voluntarily basis	Youth Services Officer 1	02
		Youth Services Officer 1 (Associated Officer II)	01
		Assistant Youth Services Officer	01
09	Resignation from the Service	Driver	02
		Management Assistant	02
		Assistant Youth Services Officer	21
		Watcher	01
		Assistant Translator	01
		Laborer	02
		Office Assistant	02

		Youth Services Officer	01
		Book Keeper	01
		Electrical Technician	01
		Private Secretary (Contract Basis)	01
		Engineer (Civil)	01
		Warden	01
		House Warden (Contract Basis)	01
		Assistant Youth Services Officer II	01
		Recording Officer II	01
10	Vacation of Post	Youth Services Officer	01
		Assistant Youth Services Officer	04
		Youth Services Officer I	01
		Management Assistant III	01
		Labourer	01
11	Reinstatement in the Service	Youth Services Officer II	01
12	Termination of the Service	Office Assistant (Casual)	01
		Management Assistant	01
13	Interdictions	-	-

14. Efficiency Bar Examinations

During the year 2017, following Efficiency Bar Examinations were held.

01. The Efficiency Bar Examinations with respect to Class I,II,III of all the posts relevant to years 2013 and 2014 were held.
02. The Efficiency Bar Examinations with respect to Class III of all the posts relevant to year 2015 were held.
03. The Efficiency Bar Examinations with respect to all primary grade officers relevant to years 2014, 2015, 2016 were held.

15. Telephone Facilities

	Telephone No.
Legal Investigation Division	0112089547
Youth Centres Division	0112838952
Director (Administration) Office	0112842661

16. Loan Advances

All employees of the Council are provided with the distress loan facility. As such distress loans were granted to 220 individuals from January to December 2017. Distress loans amounting to Rs. 46,899,685.00 had been granted to them.

17. Court Proceedings of the Labour Tribunal

Cases filed by the employees before the Courts and Labour Tribunals against the disciplinary orders taken by the Council were taken up for hearing during the year 2017.

Table 26 - Details of the Cases filed by the employees before the Courts and Labour Tribunals against the disciplinary orders taken by the Council

S.No.	Nature of the Case	Court/Labour Tribunal	No of Cases and Complaints
01	Cases filed by and Cases filed against the National Youth Services Council which are pending	Supreme Court	02
		High Court	04
		District Court	14
		Magistrate Court	04
		Labour Tribunal	02
		Office of the Commissioner for Workmen's Compensation	01
02	Complaints laid before the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka against the National Youth Services Council	Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka	11
03	Complaints by the Labour Offices	Labour Office	02

18. Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund.

Action had been taken to provide the Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund benefits to the retired staff members and the staff who had resigned from the Council to secure pensionable jobs.

19. Handing over of Lands

The documents are being prepared for the legal acquisition of lands which are not acquired by the Council legally and necessary action in this respect is in progress.

Table 27 - Details of the Assets for which legitimate deeds had been received.

S.No	Province	No. of Lands	Extent of lands (Approximately)	Current Status
01	Uva	03	05ac: 03rd:25p	Uva Provincial Office, Badulla District Office, Orubendiwewa Training Centre and Moneragala Official Quarters are functioning.
02	Sabaragamuwa	02	04ac: 02rd:10p	Sabaragamuwa Provincial Office, District Office and Training Centre are functioning. A Case is

				pending in respect of the land in Kegalle district.
03	Western	04	20ac: 03rd:86p	Sapugaskanda Training Centre, Heiyantuduwa Training Centre and Attanagalla Training Centre are functioning.
04	North Central	01	0.058ha	Polonnaruwa Official Quarter is occupied.
05	North Western	01	40ac: 03rd:20.19p	Pannala Training Centre is functioning.
06	Central	01	01ac: 36p	Ulapane Training Centre is functioning.
07	Southern	04		Kahawa Training Centre, Matara Regional Office, District Office and Yayawatta Training Centre are functioning. Construction of the Nilwala Thrunu Uyana is in progress.

Table 28 - Details of the Assets which have been acquired on lease basis

S.No.	Province	No. of Lands	Extent of lands (Approximately)	Current Status
01	Western	04	18ac: 02rd:24.69p	Youth Empowerment Training Centre of Panadura, Kalutara District Office and Walpita Training Centre which has been obtained on a lease are functioning.
02	North Central	01	01ac: 02rd:3.30p	North Central Provincial Office, Yowun Nikethana Training Centre are functioning.
03	North Western	02	03rd: 03p	Puttalam District Office, North Western Provincial Office and NYSCO Training Centre are functioning.
04	Central	02	2.188ha: 10 ac	Polgolla Training Centre and Dambulla Sri Lanka Swiss Training Centre are functioning.
05	Eastern	01	80p	* Ampara Training Centre is functioning.

Ampara Training Centre mentioned under S.No.05 is functioning at the building of the Ampara District Sri Lanka Freedom Party's Office. Walpita Training Centre mentioned under S.No.01 is obtained from the Board of Investments of Sri Lanka. Other lands were obtained on lease basis and lease rents are being paid annually. Although lease agreements have not been received, lease rents are paid upon obtaining reports from the Chief Valuer for the undeveloped value of the said lands.

The manner in which legal ownership of other lands and building have been assured or the basis on which such assets are being utilized (lands and buildings which are not mentioned in the aforementioned 02 tables)

Table 29 - Basis on which other land and building assets are being utilized (lands and buildings which are not mentioned in the aforementioned 02 tables)

S.No	Province	No. of Lands	Extent of lands (Approximately)	Current Status
01	Western	10	0.1004 ha: 10.5ac: 05rd:2.09p	Head Office, Padukka Youth Centre, Homagama Youth Centre, Kolonnawa Centre, Lalith Athulathmudali Training Centre, Gampaha District Office, Meewanapalana Training Centre, Kobawaka Training Centre, Playground of the Youth Club Regional Board Play ground
02	Southern	10	It is scheduled to do a surveying.	Elpitiya Training Centre, Youth Club Regional Board, Akmeemana Training Centre, Akuressa Training Centre and Eraminiyaya Training Centre are functioning. Proposed land to construct NYSCO Cooperative Society, proposed 02 lands for Youth Centres and a proposed land for a Training Centre are also located.
03	Uva	04	04ac: 05p	Siyabalanduwa Youth Centre, Madulla Training Centre, Akuressa Training Centre, Eraminiyaya Training Centre, Monaragala District Office, Training Centre and NYSCO Office are functioning.
04	Sabaragamuwa	05	42ac: 06rd:36p	Embilipitiya Training Centre, Godagama Training Centre, Ellae Arawa Training Centre Building, Ratnapura Regional Office, District Office and Training Centre, Batangala Training Centre are functioning.
05	Central	04	01ac: 07rd:36p	Ulapane Training Centre, Belwood Training Centre, Nuwara Eliya Circuit Bungalow and Naula Training Centre are functioning.
06	North Western	07	02ac: 07rd:12.2p	Mawathagama Vocational Training Centre, Oruliyadda Training Centre, Place in which Volleyball practices are conducted, Regional Board, Sri Lanka Youth Training Centre, Puttalam Youth Training Centre, and proposed

				place to develop as the Mahakubukkadawala Youth Centre are functioning.
07	North Central	07	0.2530 ha: 86ac: 02rd:24p	Anuradhapura District Office and Official Quarters, Kekirawa Training Centre, Kahatagasdigiliya Vocational Training Centre, Ethunugama Training Centre, Polonnaruwa District Office, Youth Club Resource Circle are functioning.
08	Eastern	14	03 ha: 175ac: 02rd:90.27p	Ampara Youth Training Centre, Eastern Provincial Office, Training Centre, Damana Training Centre, Ampara Training Centre, Youth Regional Board, Love lane Training Centre, proposed land for the Nilaweli Training Centre, Kantale Training Centre, proposed Weppankalama Youth Farm, Pudukuduiruppu Training Centre, proposed Batticaloa District Office and Training Centre are functioning.
09	Northern	06	0.491 ha: 18ac: 01rd:39p	Mullaitivu District Office, Punakari Resource Centre, Kilinochchi District Office and Regional Office, Vauniya District Office, Mannar District Office are functioning.

Table 30 - Lands and buildings transferred temporary to other State Institutions or Ministries

S.No.	Province	No. of Lands	Extent of lands (Approximately)	Current Status
01	Western	03	34ac: 01rd:34p	A land of 11 ac extent at Heiyantuduwa had been acquired to Army Staff School and the Training Centres at Walpita and Attanagalla are utilized by the Youth Corps.
02	Sabaragamuwa	01	41ac: 03rd:23p	05 ac land had been reserved for a University College and construction work is in progress.
03	Uva	02	05ac: 02rd:04p	Galenbindunu Wewa and Mapakada Wewa Training Centres are utilized by the Youth Corps.
04	Central	03	17 ac	Naula and Rikkillagaskada Training Centres are being functioned by the Youth Corps. A Land to an extent of 05 ac and 01 rd was acquired by the Youth Corps and constructed buildings and functioning.

5.1.20 Deaths

Table 31 – Details of the Deaths of Council’s Employees

S.No.	Post	In Numbers
01	Senior Consultant	01
02	District Youth Services Officer (covering up duties)	01
03	Counselling Officer	01
04	Youth Services Officer	02
05	Management Assistant I	01
06	Labourer	01
07	Watcher	01

5.1.21 Details of the Trainees who were provided with training

Table 32 – Details of Trainees in 2017

S.No.	Division	In Numbers
01	Divisions of the Head Office	75
02	Regional Offices	07
03	District Offices	25
04	Training Centres	38
Total		145

5.2 Supplies Division

The Procurement Division is mainly responsible for undertaking the procurement needs whilst adhering to procurement process upon receipts of requests with formal approval from the Head Office, Regional Offices, District Offices, Training Centres for procurement related needs (Services and Goods)

Action was taken in 2017 to supply goods and services for the programmes implemented by the Head Office, Other Offices and Training Centres of the Council.

5.3 Transport Division

Whilst contributing as the main supporting service to the programmes implemented by various Divisions of the National Youth Services Council towards achieving its main objective, the role of the transport division is to extend its contribution up to the possible extent it can towards improving the quality of those programmes.

5.4 Internal Audit Division

The main duties entrusted to this division are carrying out the audit programme relevant to the National Youth Services Council approved by the Auditor General and investigations and attending to other special duties as instructed by the Chairman.

5.5 Secretarial Division

Organizing and conducting meetings of the Board of Directors of National Youth Services Council, conducting Head of Divisions meetings and disseminating the decisions of the Board of Directors to the respective Directors are carried out by this Division. In addition it also undertake other duties assigned to it with respect to other programmes of the Council as and when it is required.

Table - 33 Dates on which Council Meetings were held in 2017

30.01.2017	21.07.2017
27.02.2017	06.09.2017
24.03.2017	09.10.2017
03.05.2017	23.11.2017
02.06.2017	22.12.2017

Table 34 - Expenses to conduct Council Meetings in 2017

Allowances for the Council's Board of Directors	Rs 768,000/-
Refreshments Expenses for the Council's Board of Directors	Rs. 121,250/-

5.6 Legal Investigation Activities

The division involves in representing the Council or the Chairman/Director General and providing required facts pertaining to the cases laid before the below mentioned Courts or Tribunals having regard to legal proceedings brought by or against the National Youth Services Council.

Table 35 - Ongoing legal proceedings brought by or against the Council

S.No.	Court	No. of Cases
01	Supreme Court	02
02	High Courts	01
03	District Courts	12
04	Magistrate Courts	03
05	Labour Tribunals	-
06	Labour Compensation Courts	-
		18

Table 36 – Complaints taken up against the Council by Legal Institutions

S.No.	Institutions	No. of Complaints
01.	Human Rights Commission	10
02.	Complaints from Labour Offices	01

Further it engages in conducting disciplinary inquiries on the directive of the disciplinary officer with respect to Council's disciplinary actions, granting recommendations and/ or observations concerning the disciplinary orders and carrying out other duties assigned by the higher rank officials as and when required.

5.7 Constructions and Maintenance Division

Infrastructure development of all offices, district offices and youth centres, construction and modernization of buildings for vocational training, daily maintenance work of youth centres and modernization and renovations of centres island wide are carried out by the Construction/ Maintenance Division.

Accordingly, Rs. 900 million under the Ministry Allocations, Rs. 82 million under Capital Allocations and Rs. 80 under the Sectoral Skills Development Programme (SSDP) had been received in 2017. Of the said allocations, 27 construction/modernizations projects, 04 projects and 03 projects were implemented under the ministry funds, capital and SSDP allocations respectively. Of the said projects, 08 had already been completed and handed over to respective centres and other projects will be completed in 2018.

Table 37 - Details of the Projects implemented by the Construction Division in 2017

S.No.	Allocation Received	No. of Projects
01	Ministry Funds	27
02	Capital	04
03	Skills Sectoral Development Programme (SSDP)	03

Photograph 17 – Construction of Training Centres undertaken by the Construction Division



6. Voluntary Programmes

The Youth Services Officers in divisional secretariat divisions along with members of youth clubs had voluntarily earned funds and organized various programmes according to regional and timely needs.

Such Programmes had been implemented in the sectors as depicted in the table below. These programmes would help to foster inter-communal amity and reconciliation not only among the members of the Youth Clubs but also between the residents of the area and the youths. It also makes involvement of youths in the development activities on voluntarily basis.

3,662 voluntary programmes were implemented in 2017. 165,243 youths were participated in the said programmes. Further, the overall financial value of the said voluntary programmes can be amounted as Rs. 45,231,665.00

Related Reports/ Documents

- Financial Report 2012, National Youth Services Council
- Financial Report 2013, National Youth Services Council
- Financial Report 2014, National Youth Services Council
- Financial Report 2015, National Youth Services Council
- Financial Report 2016, National Youth Services Council
- Financial Report 2017, National Youth Services Council
- Corporate Plan 2013-2017, National Youth Services Council
- Action Plan 2017, National Youth Services Council
- District wise Progress Reports, National Youth Services Council
- Section wise Progress Reports of the Head Office, National Youth Services Council
- Treasury/Ministry Development Expenditure Report – 2017, National Youth Services Council

Annexure 1. Audit Committee Report

In terms of the circulars issued in respect of holding Audit and Management Committee Meetings, the Audit Committee comprises 03 Non-Executive members, Chief Internal Auditor of the Line Ministry (observer), 01 Audit Superintendent (invited) and it is headed by a Treasury Representative. It has been specified to hold 04 Committee Meetings per annum, and accordingly 04 meetings were held in 2017.

Subsequent to holding of the Committee Meetings, relevant reports with committee decisions were submitted to the approval of the Director Board of the Council. The summary of the decisions taken by the committee is given below.

- Approving the Annual Internal Audit Plan
- To take action to minimize the shortcomings pointed out in government audit queries.
- To provide observations on the actions to be taken to overcome shortcomings revealed in internal audit and investigation reports
- To review progress of overall procedure for acquisition of lands and property
- Review of staff and administrative activities
- Review of youth development activities
- Review of revaluation of assets including land, buildings, vehicles
- To take action to formalize asset ownerships and board of surveys
- Review of Annual Accounts
- Investigations in relation to institutions affiliated to National Youth Services Council
- To review answers and progress in relation to recommendations and observations issued with respect to matters arisen at the Committee of Public Enterprises (COPE) and Public Enterprises Sub Committees of Parliament of Sri Lanka

Annexure 2. Financial Audit Statement

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National Youth Services Council
Statement of the Financial Position
As at 31.12.2017

(Rs.,000)

	Sub. No	2017	2016
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1	8,268	7,028
Receivables		298,665	164,069
Stocks		13,272	11,175
Other Current Assets		319	1,604
		<u>320,524</u>	<u>183,876</u>
Non Current Assets			
Other Financial Assets	2	755,703	271,283
Plant and Equipment		333,793	390,888
Property and Buildings		748,046	801,763
		<u>1,837,542</u>	<u>1,463,934</u>
Total Assets		2,158,066	1,647,810
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payable	3	129,506	90,301
Other Liabilities		18,590	12,821
		<u>148,096</u>	<u>103,122</u>
Non Current Liabilities			
Allocation for gratuity payments	4	433,167	439,211
Total Liabilities		<u>581,263</u>	<u>542,333</u>
Net Assets		<u>1,576,803</u>	<u>1,105,477</u>
Net Assets/Equity			
Contributed Capital of the other government entities	5	4,506,286	3,742,440
Reserve		34,155	34,155
Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit)		(2,963,638)	(2,671,118)
Total Net Assets/Equity		<u>1,576,803</u>	<u>1,105,477</u>

National Youth Services Council
For the year ended 31.12.2017
Statement of Financial Performance

Description	Sub No	2017	2016
Income			
Government Contribution (Recurrent)		918,170	849,999
Government Contribution (Recurrent)		<u>304,969</u>	<u>286,039</u>
		1,223,139	1,136,038
External Contribution (Recurrent)			
Provincial Councils		150	198
Ministries and Government Institutions		749,745	374,861
Foreign Organizations		30,128	14,534
Other external Institutions		<u>2,090</u>	<u>-</u>
		782,113	389,593
Internal Income			
National Youth Center income (Maharagama)	6-1	41,594	38,595
Training Center income	6-2	146,888	140,306
Sarasavi Income	6-3	-	25
Various Income	6-4	10,932	9,273
Exhibition Income		3,823	5,270
due Insurance Compensation		-	32
Fixed Assets Disposal profit		597	665
Farm operational Account	6-5	7,931	7,332
Under provision for bad debt		<u>993</u>	<u>232</u>
		212,758	201,730
		<u>2,218,010</u>	<u>1,727,361</u>
Operating Expenses			
Deducted:			
Institution and Administrative Expenditure	7-1	1,075,990	1,014,398
Fixed Assets Depreciation	2-4	<u>189,495</u>	<u>199,530</u>
		(1,265,485)	(1,213,928)
		952,525	513,433
Youth Development Expenses			
Aesthetics Skills Development Division	2-1	39,019	48,403
Media Division	2-2	6,438	5,983
Research and Planning Division	2-3	1,803	3,749
Technical and Vocational Training Division	2-6	56,289	21,571
National Youth Center Maintenance Division	2-7	2,121	1,051
International Youth Affairs Division	2-8	45,315	26,221
Youth Awards Authority	2-9	6,564	3,502
Sports Development Division	2-10	107,630	98,146
Youth Organization and Development Division	2-11	94,778	23,610
Farm Development Division	2-12	9,509	7,091
Youth Cooperation and Project Development Division	2-13	2,600	4,858
NYSO video Division	2-14	3,277	3,146
Evaluation Division	2-15	8,356	6,773
IT Division	2-17	1,714	1,279
Special Projects Division	2-18	697,245	374,351
Training Centers	2-6	145,524	134,179
National Youth Center-Maharagama	2-6-1	<u>16,863</u>	<u>19,307</u>
		1,245,045	783,220
Expenditure Surplus for the year added:		(292,520)	(269,787)
Expenditure Surplus (2017.01.01)		(2,671,118)	(2,401,239)
Prior Year Adjustments		-	(92)
Brought forward balance		<u>(2,963,638)</u>	<u>(2,671,118)</u>

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23 October 2018

The Chairman
National Youth Services Council.

Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the National Youth Services Council for the year ended 31 December 2017 in terms of Section 14(2)(C) of the Financial Act, No.38 of 1971

The audit of financial statements of the National Youth Services Council for the year ended 31 December 2017 comprising the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017 and the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with Section 13(1) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971 and Section 29(1) of the National Youth Services Council Act, No.69 of 1979. My comments and observations which I consider should be published with the Annual Report of the Council in terms of Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act appear in this report.

1.2 Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards and for such internal control as the management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements whether due to fraud or error.

1.3 Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards consistent with International Auditing Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAI 1000 – 1810). Those Standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements.



An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Council's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of financial statements. Sub-sections (3) and (4) of Section 13 of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971 give discretionary powers to the Auditor General to determine the scope and extent of the audit.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

1.4 Basis for Qualified Opinion

My opinion is qualified based on the matters described in paragraph 2.2 of this report.

2. Financial Statements

2.1 Qualified Opinion

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in paragraph 2.2 of this report, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the National Youth Services Council as at 31 December 2017 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards.

2.2 Comments on Financial Statements

2.2.1 Consolidated Financial Statements

The financial statements had not been prepared by consolidating with financial statements of the Youth Services Company Ltd initiated in the year 1981 and being operated with 98 per cent of share entitled to the National Youth Services Council.

2.2.2 Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards

The following observations are made.

(a) Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07

- (i) According to paragraph 65 of the Standards, fully depreciated 477 buildings, 84 motor cars and 5,608 units of furniture equipment as at the end of the year under review had been further used without annual reviewing of the useful life of non-current assets. Thus, action had not been taken to revise the estimated error occurred in terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 03. Further, the gross carrying value of it had not been revealed in the financial statements.
- (ii) Even though any asset was acquired through a non-exchange transaction, it should be accounted at its fair value at the date of acquisition according to Paragraph 25 of the Standard, an expenditure incurred such as construct security fences and walls in lands of 12 training centres only had been accounted under lands and buildings in statement of financial position.

2.2.3 Accounting Policies

The following observations are made.

- (a) An accounting policy had not been identified for identification of grants as revenue under systematical basis received from Sri Lankan government and foreign governments were shown under equity in statement of financial position.
- (b) Even though depreciation of an asset should be commenced after it was ready to be used, a policy had been identified contrarily as depreciation which commence on following year the fixed assets were purchased.
- (c) Even though the stocks were valued on less value either cost or net realizable value, a stocks policy had been identified contrarily as stocks were valued at cost.

2.2.4 Accounting Deficiencies

The following observations are made.

- (a) The value of 05 lands were owned by the Council had not been estimated and included in financial statements.
- (b) The value of the land amounting to Rs.2,131,200 as at 31 December 2017 obtained under 50 years long-term lease basis from the Urban Development Authority in year 2000 had been included under land and building in statement of financial position instead of shown as lease properties.
- (c) Even though a sum of Rs.7,931,519 were shown as annual profit relating to 20 farms being operated by the National Youth Services Council, suitable adjustments had not been provided on assets depreciation, closing stocks of agrarian crops and credit sale on farm products.
- (d) The value of work-in progress totalling Rs.753,903,484 as at 31 December 2017 of the National Youth Services Council had been improperly shown under other financial assets in statement of financial position.

2.2.5 Unexplained Differences

Even though the credit balance payable to the Sri Lanka Youth Services Company Ltd as at end of the year under review had been shown as Rs.3,602,190 according to the financial statements of the company, aggregate loan balances recovered from the Council as at that date was Rs.73,427,936 and a difference of Rs.69,825,746 were observed in between the two balances according to the information furnished to audit by that company.

2.2.6 Accounts Receivable

The balance amounting to Rs.538,950 which had lapsed over 07 years receivable from the Department of Sports Development as at 31 December 2017 had also been impossible to recovered during the year under review.



3. Financial Review

3.1 Financial Results

The financial result of the Council in the year under review had resulted in a deficit of Rs.292,520,000 as compared with the corresponding deficit of Rs.269787,000 for the preceding year, thus indicating an deterioration of Rs.22,733,000 in the financial result in the year under review. Above deterioration had been mainly resulted due to increase in operating expenditure by Rs.51,557,000 and youth development expenditure by Rs.461,825,000 despite the increase in total revenue by Rs. 490,649,000.

Analyzing the financial results of 04 preceding years and the year under review, the deficit amounting to Rs.253,277,000 in the year 2013 had been improved with fluctuations and reached to Rs.292,520,000 during the year under review. However, the contribution of Rs.1,124,581,000 had continuously increased and reached to Rs.1,993,313,000 in the year 2017 after adjust the personnel emoluments and depreciation for non- current assets to the financial results.

4. Operating Review

4.1 Performance and Review

The following observations are made relating to the programmes planned to be implemented in the year under review for achievement of objectives mentioned in Section 4 of the National Youth Services Act, No.69 of 1979.

- (i) Three programmes which were included in Action Plan of the year under review had not been implemented and a sum of Rs.500,000 had been allocated to commencement of 02 business technical colleges for deliver the relevant trainings and assist to maintain a business with more effective manner for existing entrepreneurs and students in professional training institutions and young entrepreneurs who were supposed to engage to new businesses through it. Even though a newspaper advertisement were published by incurred a sum of Rs.1,454,417 for this, this programme had not been conducted due to reasons shown as sufficient number of applications were not received.
- (ii) Even though it was reached to the desired targets from almost all programmes including in Annual Action Plan, the awareness programmes for school children and the awareness programmes for school leavers had not been conducted as expected and the progress of those were 38 per cent and 48 per cent respectively.

4.2 Management Activities

The following observations are made.

- (a) Relevant rectifications had not been accomplished up to 14 August 2018 regarding 21 observations were disclosed from 11 investigation reports issued by the Internal Audit Unit of the National Youth Services Council during the year 2017.
- (b) Three vehicles belong to external institutions being used by the Council since more than 03 years without transfer the ownership.

4.3 Operating Activities

The following observations are made.

- (a) According to the information furnished to audit by the Land Unit, the Council had been failed to transfer the title of 59 lands possess by the Council as at 31 December 2017. In addition to this, though the land continue the training centre in Polgahawela and the land situated in Borella belongs to the Railway Department being possessed by the Council since more than 32 and 30 years respectively, action had not been taken to clear the title of those lands up to now.
- (b) Skills Sector Development Programme
 - (i) The Performance Allowances had been paid without proper evaluation concerning performances and correctly define the criteria furnished by the Ministry of Skills Development and Vocational Training were observed during audit test check on Performance Allowance being paid to academic staff by the National Youth Services Council under Skill Sector Development Programme. A sum of Rs.4.002 million had been paid as Performance Allowances by the National Youth Services Council during the year 2017.
 - (ii) Whereas relevant certificates targeted to be obtained by establish the Quality Management Systems in 20 training centres according to Action Plan of the year 2017 and 10 training centres relevant to 2016 for the National Youth Services Council through the circular for establishment of Quality Management Systems and development of Quality Culture in training centres No.MSDVT/SSDP/2016-1 dated 26 February 2016 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Skills Development and Vocational Training, Quality Management certificates had been



obtained only 07 training centres out of 52 training centres owned by the Council as at 30 April 2018.

- (iii) Although a sum of Rs.33,600,000 had been allocated for the entire time period as Rs.4,800,000 per month for payment of allowance of Rs.4,000 per month for 100 students identified out of students who were needed financial assistances under activity No. 1.4.6 relevant to the Council in the Detail Activity Plan approved from the year 2014 to 2020 of the above programme, there were no such activity had been included in Annual Action Plans of the Council for the year 2014 to year 2017.
- (c) The following observations are made on programme implemented under financial assistances of Rs.2,961,000 from United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) being aimed to strengthen capacity of the government to execute the sustainable development policies need to be well response for youth in Sri Lanka.
- (i) The Youth Organization Development Unit of the National Youth Services Council had been involved to this programme and the possibilities were prevailed to access for all information need to be prepared these strategical policies. The Assistant Director of Youth Organization Development Unit and two another officers had been participated for all programmes, lectures and discussions conducted with ESCAP. Though the Council has the possibility to implement the programs, the Council had been selected non-government organization as a partner for implement this programme.
 - (ii) A sum of Rs.1,005,000 had been paid to a non-government organization on 17 October 2017 as advance on board decision without compliance to paragraph 5.4.4 of Government Procurement Guideline in 2006 without obtained a mortgage bond and confirm the existence of that institute.
- (d) The student's enrollment for full time courses conducted in 48 training centres of National Youth Services Council for the year 2016 was 8,557 and shown an improvement of 14.66 per cent compared with the previous year. Thus the students for the year 2017 was 9,169 and observed an improvement of 7.15 per cent. Although the annual student registration had gone up, annual growth of recruitment decrease by 7.51 per cent for the year 2017 compared with the year 2016 were observed.



- (e) The courses drop out percentage of the registered students during the period from the year 2014 to the year 2016 were ranged 20 per cent to 21 per cent and it had been further increased up to 27.89 per cent in the year 2017.

4.4 Underutilized Funds

A sum of Rs.2,215,328 had been received to the National Youth Services Council from United Nation Organization under Active Citizen Training Programme in the year 2015 and it had not been utilized for the relevant purpose as at 30 June 2018.

4.5 Idle and Underutilized Assets

The following observations are made. prevailing

- (a) According to the Stock Verification Reports of the stores were furnished as at 31 December 2017, 368 units of sports equipment in 09 categories totalling Rs.405,850 being existed over two years period and 2,207 units of other goods in 09 categories totalling Rs.837,952 being existed over one year had been remained idle in the branch were observed.
- (b) According to the agreement signed on 23 June 2003 with Urban Development Authority, a land extend of 01 acre acquired from Beruwala area on rent basis to construct a Youth Centres with payment conditions of ground rent of Rs.1,000 per annum in addition to the payment of Rs.2,960,000 had been remained idle without any construction up to 15 March 2018.
- (c) The Council had been taken over a 20 perches land by a deed of gift on 09 October 1996 situated at Gonahene area in Adhikari Pattu, Siyane Korale owned by private party for the purpose of continue a vocational training centre of the National Youth Services Council by construct a 3000 square feet building within three years and the Council had not been taken any action to commence vocational training centre in that place. Accordingly, this land was remained idle over 21 years were observed.

4.6 Resources of the Council given to other Government Institutions

The following observations are made.

- (a) The cost at Rs.24,100,000 of 02 vehicles since year 2012 and 01 vehicle since year 2013 belong to the institute had been given to use for the Line Ministry.

- (b) The 03 senior management level officers and an Assistant youth Services Officer had been deployed in 03 institutions were not connected to the National Youth Services Council.

4.7 Staff Administration

The following observations are made.

- (a) The approved cadre of the National Youth Services Council as at 31 December 2017 was 1431 and the actual cadre was 1245. Thus vacancies in 186 posts were observed.
- (b) Three officers had been attached as secondment basis to 03 top management level posts in the National Youth Services Council since 18 months to 03 years period and 10 officers had been appointed for acting duties of the Deputy Director posts.
- (c) The officers had been attached on acting and covering up basis for 15 post of Deputy Directors, 12 post of Assistant Directors and 04 post of medium level in addition to the cadre approved by Department of Management Services as at 08 November 2016. According to the latter No.DMS/1671-V-II dated 08 November 2016 of Director General of Management Services, informed that whatever appointments for post on acting, covering up or permanent basis can be made within the approved cadre and to be corrected these situation. But rectification procedures had not been taken up to 31 December 2017.
- (d) A Media Advisor had been appointed from 30 April 2015 with Fuel, vehicle and monthly allowance of Rs.40,000 on basis to perform duties in post of Media Advisor which was not in approved cadre and a sum totalling Rs.1,281,333 had been paid as monthly allowance as at 31 December 2017.
- (e) The approved cadre of the Technical and Vocational Training Unit of the National Youth Services Council was 176. There were 61 vacancies as at 31 March 2018 including the post of Director (Training) and Deputy Director (Technical and Vocational Training) and it was observed that 59 vacancies out of that were related to academic staff.
- (f) The total Gratuity amount had been paid without recover a sum of Rs.59,875 due from a person served as an Assistant Youth Services Officer in the National Youth Services Council who had vacated his post according to paragraph 07 in Chapter V of the Establishment Cord on unsatisfactory duty condition. Further, disciplinary action had not been taken against him

according to the Section 29 and 31 in Capture XLVIII in Volume II of Establishment Cord regarding a loan amounting to Rs.50,000 had been obtained from a state bank during the period he was served in the office using a fictitious signature and an official seal of a Assistant Director without permission.

4.8 Vehicle Utilization

The following observations are made.

- (a) Even though it should be informed to the office of Comptroller General on or before 30 July 2018 after disposal before 30 June 2018 by following the instructions of Public Finance Circular No.2015/02 dated 10 July 2015, no actions had been taken accordingly on 07 vehicles were in disposable condition as at 31 December 2017.
- (b) The 06 vehicles owned/used by the Council as at 31 December 2017 were remained on repair condition during a long period and had been parked in the Council premises without relevant repairs.

5. Sustainable Development

5.1 Achievement of Sustainable Development Goals

All public sector should act in according with the 2030 “Agenda” of Sustainable Development of the United Nations and the National Youth Services Council had not been aware how to act with the functions under their own scope.

6. Accountability and Good Governance

6.1 Procurement and Contract Process

6.1.1 Procurements

The following observations are made.

- (a) Pain works in District Office Gampaha – Contract value Rs.956,845.
 - (i) Even though it was informed that shopping method were followed for the above contract, quotation call from registered contractors or any other acceptable method had not been followed when inviting quotations and selection method of contractor was doubt in audit.



(ii) A sum of Rs.191,369 had been paid without obtained an acceptable advance payment bond in terms of guideline 5.4.4 of the Procurement Guideline.

(b) Paint works in Head Office Step-II – Contract Value Rs.8,692,720

It was pointed out that the shopping method were followed, no such method was followed and used of forge quotations were observed during physical verification in audit on 24 October 2017. Further, variances range from 20 per cent to 167 per cent were existed in 08 items mention in engineering estimate made for this contract. The attention had not been paid by the Procurement Committee and the Technical Evaluation Committee on this connection. Further, the contractor had vacated from construction works while the investigations were followed by audit and Council had not been obtained a performance bond from this contractor.

Further, the recommendation had been given by Audit and Management Committee existed at Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs on 28 December 2017 as payments on painting works were made on recommendation by the technical officer in other institution. However, no action had been taken on preparation of forge documents and follow-up the wrong procedures.

6.1.2 Weakness in Contracts Administration

The following observations are made.

- (a) Whereas the Nilwala Youth Park in Matara had been decided to construct according to the Cabinet decision No. 13/0502/639/014 dated 21 May 2013, the feasibility study had not been done in this connection. A sum totalling Rs.142,810,543 as compensation and interest for relevant land owners by the Ministry of Youth affairs and Skills Development and a sum of Rs. 7,657,349 on behalf of construction including consultancy fee as at 31 December 2014 by the National Youth Services Council had been disbursed. However, the construction had been vacated after 31 December 2014 due to funds were not received from the Ministry. That premise being in idle and wilderness were observed in physical verification was conducted on 16 October 2017.
- (b) According to the letter No. MNPEA/YAD/03/01 dated 28 March 2017 of the Secretary to the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs, construct a hostel and a playground to facilitate short term accommodations to the youth who were enter to the town for various requirements had been proposed in

land call Madangahawatta situated in Hedigama owned by the National Youth Services Council. Whereas a sum of Rs.2,400,601 had been paid for financial plan as at 31 December 2017 by the National Youth Services Council accordingly, the construction works had not been commenced up to 30 June 2018. Further, an action had been taken to selected other consultancy firm to future works by ceased the agreement of that consultancy firm due to legal matters were arise were informed to audit.

6.1.3 Delayed Projects

Whereas the time extensions had been given to 02 projects with agreed value of Rs.141,910,758 were planned to commence the constructions during the year 2016 and complete in year 2017, the construction works were not completed even as at 30 June 2018. Further, a sum totalling Rs.87,153,099 had been disbursed and the physical progress was 62 per cent as at 20 June 2018.

6.2 Budgetary Control

The following observations are made.

- (a) The variance ranging from 25 per cent to 93 per cent were observed between budgeted provisions and actual expenditure in 09 units of the Council and it was observed that the budget had not been made use of as an effective instrument of management control.
- (b) An overstated expenditure in 04 votes totalling Rs.32,683,429 and understated expenditure of Rs.315,055 in one vote had been shown under budget variance were observed in test check on expenditure summery and budget variances presented with the financial statements.

6.3 Tabling of Annual Reports

Even though the Annual Report should be tabled in Parliament within 150 days after ending of accounting year according to the 6.5.3 of Public Administration Circular No.PED/12 dated 02 June 2006, the Annual Report for the year 2016 had not been tabled in Parliament even by 31 July 2018.

6.4 Unresolved Audit Paragraphs

Necessary actions had not been taken even by the end of the year under review relating to the 05 material audit findings which had shown by the previous year Auditor General's Reports and 02 materially affected audit findings relating to financial and administrative affairs of the institute shown in the Auditor general's



Report in the year 2015. Further, it has failed to submit a clear answer to the audit regarding actions to be taken on 04 audit observations.

07. Systems and Controls

Deficiencies in systems and controls observed during the course of audit were brought to the notice of the Chairman of the Council from time to time. Special attention is needed in respect of the following areas of systems and controls.

Areas of Systems and Controls

Observations

(a) Procurement	Not utilizing Government Money efficiently, effectively and economically by establishing a proper Procurement Process in a manner that complies with the Government Procurement Guidelines.
(b) Accounting	Not maintaining a proper accounting system in a manner that financial information are being accurately reported by following Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards.
(c) Personnel Administration	Making recruitments, promotions, training and development in compliance with the Approved Cadre and the Scheme of Recruitment and not preparing, reviewing and updating a Human Resource Plan in a manner that the objectives and purposes of the institution could be achieved.
(d) Conducting training courses	Not planning and implementing training programmes in a manner that the needs of the present youth could be fulfilled and recruitment of consultants for training programmes implemented by the institute.
(e) Control of Assets	Maintaining proper registers in a manner that confirms the security and the existence of the Assets of the Council and not taking necessary action in terms of Financial Regulations on the matters revealed by the Annual Boards of Survey.

Sgd./ H.M. GAMINI WIJESINGHE
Auditor General

H.M. Gamini Wijesinghe
Auditor General

The Auditor General's Report on the Financial Statements of the National Youth Services Council
for the year ended on 31st of December 2017 in terms of Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act, No 38 of 1971

2.2	Comments on the Financial Statements	
2.2.1	Consolidated Financial Statements	
	The consolidated financial statements had not been prepared by consolidating the financial statements of the Youth Services Company (Pvt) Limited, initiated in 1981 with 98% of share capital entitlement of the National Youth Services Council, with the financial statements of the Council.	This had been revealed in note 10 under the Notes to the Financial Statements.
2.2.2	Non-disclosure of Related Party Transactions	
(a)	Although the Chairman of the Council performs duties as the Chairman of the Youth Services Company (Pvt) Limited, Sri Lanka National Youth Services Cooperative Society Ltd and Sri Lanka Federation of Youth Clubs, the required disclosures in this respect had not been made in the financial statements.	This had been revealed in note 10 under the Notes to the Financial Statements.
(b)	Administrative activities and place of business of Youth Services Company Limited, the main administrative office of the Sri Lanka National Youth Services Cooperative Society Limited and the main administrative office of Sri Lanka Federation of Youth Clubs have been established in the buildings at the premises where the Head Office of the National Youth Services Council is located and the said buildings are owned by the Council. Electricity and water and other infrastructure facilities are also being provided by the Council without levying any fee. However, the required disclosures in this respect had not been made in the financial statements.	Having considered by the management whether a fee to be levied or not in respect of electricity, water and other infrastructure facilities provided for the said institutions, action will be taken to disclose it in the financial statements of 2018
2.2.3	Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards The following observations are made.	
(a)	In terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 01 (53) comparative information shall be disclosed in respect of all amounts reported in the financial statements, but action had not been taken accordingly.	The corrections will be made in the financial statements of 2018.
(b)	Since non-current assets were not depreciated annually during their useful time in terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07,	Out of 84 vehicles, only 05 vehicles remained left to revalue. Action will be taken to revalue all the vehicles before the end of this year and

	<p>447 buildings, 84 motor vehicles and 5608 units of furniture items which had completely been depreciated, were still under use. The estimated deficiency was not corrected in terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 03. Further, gross carrying amounts were not disclosed in the financial statements</p>	<p>to disclose it in the financial statements. Arrangements are also being made to revalue buildings and furniture.</p>
(c)	<p>The National Youth Services Council does not have the ownership of the lands in which it maintains following training centers and action is being taken to acquire the ownership of the said lands. As per the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07 (25), where an asset is acquired through a non-exchange transaction, its cost shall be measured at its fair value as at the date of acquisition, but the expenditure incurred for construction of security fences and parapet walls of the said lands by the council had brought to the accounts of Financial Position Statement under land and buildings. Further, the values accounted for lands were less than their fair values and thus it was observed that the real values of the said assets were not disclosed in the financial statements.</p> <p>Taking into consideration the extent of land and the land value at respective localities of Maharagama, Belwood and Kurunegala, it was further observed that it cannot be satisfied with the accounted values of the said lands.</p>	<p>The details of lands at Maharagama, Belwood and Kurunegala had been sent to the Department of Valuation to value the said lands and after receiving the valued amounts it will be presented.</p>
(d)	<p>As per the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 09 (15), inventories shall be measured at the lower of cost or net realizable value, it was mentioned in accounting policies of the financial statements that inventories were measured at the cost. The Board of Survey as at 31st December 2016 recommended to destroy 1885 units under 14 items valued at Rs. 86,840 and it had been disclosed in the Inventory Value as at 31st December 2017 without being destroyed.</p>	<p>The relevant destroyable items which amounted to Rs. 86,840 will be corrected in the calculation of inventory in 2018.</p>
(e)	<p>The value of inventories of agricultural produce of the 20 farms owned by the Council as at the end of the year had not been measured and accounted in the financial statements as per the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 09 (15).</p>	<p>Although it had been informed to report the value of inventories of agricultural produce of those farms, the required details were not received. So any values were available to disclose in the financial statements. The division in charge of the farms has been informed by letters to report the inventory details.</p>

2.2.4	Accounting Policies The following observations are made.	
(a)	In terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 03 (12), in the absence of a Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard that specifically applies to a transaction, other event or condition, management shall use its judgment in developing and applying an accounting policy, an accounting policy had not developed to brought to accounts the grants received from the Government of Sri Lanka and other foreign Countries under equity in the Statement of Financial Position.	Action will be taken to rectify it in the preparation of Financial Statements in 2018.
(b)	In terms of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07 (69), depreciation of an asset begins when it is available for use, but in contrary to this, the depreciation policy was disclosed under accounting policy 02 in the financial statements.	As stated in the accounting policy 02, fixed assets are depreciated one year after the purchased year and it will be rectified from 2018 onwards.
(c)	Although the assets provided to internal organizations affiliated to the Council had shown in the financial statements as a revenue expenditure under accounting policy 8, it was disclosed that such assets were capitalized in land, property and equipment.	The expenditure incurred under donated grants for the organizations affiliated to the Council was presented as revenue expenditure and purchasing of assets was presented as fixed assets under accounting policy 08.
2.2.5	Accounting Deficiencies The following observations are made.	
(a)	The value of 05 lands to which the Council has the legal possession had not been brought to the financial statements as per the information provided by the Land Division.	Action will be taken to correct those errors when preparing Financial Statements in 2018.
(I)	The land in which Uva Regional Office and the Badulla District Office are located.	
(II)	Sapugaskande Training Center, Korea – Sri Lanka Technological and Vocational Training Center	
(III)	The land in Gonahena area which was gifted by a private party	
(IV)	Matara District – Land in which Regional Office and the District Office are located.	
(V)	The land in which Yayawtta Training Center is located.	
(b)	The value of a land which was taken over from the Urban Development Authority on 50 years long term lease in the year 2000 amounted to Rs. 2,131,200 as at 31 st December 2017 had shown under land and buildings in the Statement of Financial Position instead of shown it under lease property.	It was corrected by a exchange voucher made in 2018 (j/180).

(c)	Although the annual profit from 20 farms operated by the National Youth Services Council was stated as Rs. 7,931,519, the relevant adjustments in respect of depreciation of assets relevant to the farms, year-end stock of agricultural crops and credit sales of farm produce had not been made.	The produce of farms and credit sales were not reported from the farms at the year end and so it was not disclosed in the statements.
(d)	Although 04 components were included under shared capital of other public entities under equity in the statement of finance position, only the change in government entity was disclosed in the statement of change of equity.	In terms of Standard 01, it was presented in schedule 05 as per the correct format of Statement of Financial Position and it was presented in detail in the 96 th page of the financial statements.
(e)	The value of work in progress of the National Youth Services Council amounting to Rs. 753,903,484 as at 31 st December 2017 was shown under other financial assets in the Statement of Financial Position.	In terms of Standard 01, it was presented in schedule 02 as per the correct format of the Statement of Financial Position and it was presented in detail in the 68 th page of the financial statements.
(f)	The schedules denoted relevant to linear items in the presented financial statements had not been presented along with the financial statements.	It will be rectified in 2018.
2.2.6	Unexplained Differences	
	Even though the loan balance payable to Youth Services Company (Pvt) Limited as at the end of the year under review was shown as Rs. 3,602,190 in the financial statements of the Council, the sum of loan balances to be recoverable from the council as at the same date by the Company amounted to Rs. 73,427,936 as to the information presented by the Company. So balance of Rs. 69,825,746 was observed between the said two loan balances.	<p>The creditors balances accounted under the Youth Services Company (Pvt) Limited in the Creditors schedule as per the financial statements of 2017 is given below.</p> <p>creditors balances in 2015 Rs. 110,000.00</p> <p>creditors balances in 2017 Rs. 3,492,189.79</p> <p>Of the aforementioned balances, Rs. 3,492,189.79 being the balance relevant to 2017 has already been paid.</p> <p>In addition to the amount presented in settlement of accounts, the vouchers presented in 2018 for payment but relevant to 2017 was amounted to Rs. 9,151,487.61. It was also paid by now.</p> <p>The invoice for the payment of Rs. 110,000/- in respect of 2015 has not been submitted yet.</p> <p>Although it was mentioned as Rs. 73,427,936</p>

		in the audit query, it should be stated as Rs. 60,784,258.60 and for that amount invoice for the payment of the same has not been submitted yet.
2.2.7	Accounts Receivable and Payable The following observations are made.	
(a)	Any installment from the sum of loan balances amounting to Rs. 118,065 with respect to 06 officers as stated in the financial statements had not been recovered during the year under the review.	<p>Mr. H. Kalingamudali – Rs. 71,953.67</p> <p>The amount to be recovered henceforth is 65,402.45. In this regard, a case was filed in the District Court of Gampaha under Case No. 43010/M. The Court's decision was given on 31.05.2018 and the court allowed to execute writ under section 225(3) of the Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>Mrs. S.Amara Kumari – Rs. 6,164.00 The said amount had been deducted from the gratuity in 2018.</p> <p>Mr.W.A.Ananda – Rs.22,049.00 Mr. S.Wijekumaran – Rs.7,531.79 Mr. H.M.Sarath – Rs.5,496.50 Mr.S.K.Ponniya – Rs. 4,870.84</p> <p>Subsequent to having confirmed their residing places, action will be taken to institute legal action against abovementioned 04 officers.</p>
(b)	It had not been able to recover the balance amounting to Rs. 538,950 which had lapsed over 06 years as at 31 st December 2017 receivable from the Department of Sports Development even during the year under review.	This matter was referred to Department of Sports Development repeatedly, but they did not provide acceptable answer. When this matter was taken up at the Audit and Management Committee Meeting, it was informed to submit a Council Memorandum including written information in respect of the amount receivable. Accordingly, a memorandum was submitted to the Board of Directors on 21.07.2017 (32/2017). It is expected to present it to the Board of Directors of the Council to take a policy decision.
2.2.8	Unanswered Audit Queries	
	The answers had not been submitted for an audit query issued on 2016 bearing the no. VTY/A/NYSC/2015/29 even by 30 th June 2018.	The answer was submitted on 06.05.2016. Annexure No. 01

2.3	Non-compliance with Laws, Rules, Regulations and Management Decisions		
	Reference to the laws, rules, regulations (a) Payment of Gratuity Act, No. 12 of 1983 Part III, Section 13	Non-compliance The amount of Rs. 59,875 to be recovered from the officer whose service had been terminated had not been recovered.	Two letters of reminders were sent to this officer to recover Rs. 59,875, being the amount to be recovered from the officer. Even though any reply had not been received yet, action was taken to make a complaint under the Civil Law. Accordingly necessary action will be taken in this respect. Further, the officer in charge of the said file had been advised strictly. If the amount of Rs. 59,875/- cannot be recovered from the respective officer, it has been informed that it will be recovered from the subject officer.
	(b) Financial Regulations of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Financial Regulation 757 (2)	The report of the Board of Survey relevant to the year under review had not been submitted even by 20 th July 2018.	The reports of the Board of Surveys have already been submitted to the Auditor General.
	(c) Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Section 7, Chapter V and Sub Sections 1.6 and 1.8, Chapter VII	Any disciplinary action had not been taken against the officers who did not report to duty without informing. Salaries were paid to 04 officers who did not report to duty without obtaining leave.	The respective officer handed over a letter on 20.11.2016 informing his resignation from the service with effective from 01.12.2016 and his entitled gratuity or monies of EPF or ETF has not being paid yet. The payment of his salary was terminated by letter dated 11.08.2016 on the grounds of not reporting to work. It was observed that salaries upto July 2016 were credited to his account. Action was taken to recover the money considering the duration in which he did not report to duty as no pay leave. Please be informed that the amount to be recovered from him will be recovered from his gratuity. The instructions were given to all the clerical staff who are handling the subject files through a letter regarding the future course of action with respect to facts and shortcomings elaborated here. The notice of vacation of post was issued to the officer (EPF No. 2798) on 25.08.2016. During that time his salary for the month of September was prepared. But it is only Rs. 191.16. It was transferred to the Salary Account of the Accounts Division. So Salary for the month of September had not been taken

			<p>by him.</p> <p>Further, action was taken to recover the EPF contributions of 12%, 8% and ETF 3% . In addition Rs. 145,689.56 for 142 no pay days in 2015 and Rs. 115,822.69 for 86 no pay days in 2016 had been recovered from his gratuity fund. Thus, action was taken to recover all the due monies from him with respect to the losses made by him to the government.</p> <p>The Officer (EPF No. 1698) had taken 114 no pay leave during 2016. By the letter issued to the Accounts Division on 15.09.2017, instructions were given to recover the money in 10 installments. The total amount to be deducted was Rs. 200286.60 and as of 27.12.2017 a sum of Rs. 46,065.92 was recovered and further Rs. 154,220.68 had already been recovered.</p> <p>The Officer (EPF No. 3592) was granted duty leave and out of the said duty leave 03 days were recorded as not reported to duty. The said 03 days would be counted along with if any no pay days in 2017 to recover the money. It was directed to consider the dates on which the respective officer did not report to duty without informing as no pay days with respect to the months of March, April and May 2017. It was observed during the examining the file, that the said directive has not been effective as yet. The future course of action will be taken in this regard through the personal file.</p> <p>A sum of Rs. 104,754/- had been deducted with regard to the 102 no pay days obtained by the Officer (EPF No. 1391) in 2014. Having considered the leave obtained by him by way of not reporting to the duty on the previous day and obtaining the said duty leave on next day and also considering Saturday, Sunday and public holidays as no pay days, the amounts were recovered from his gratuity.</p>
	(e) Establishments Code of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	The staff of the National Youth services Council had obtained no pay leave without getting the approval of the department head.	Saturdays, Sundays and duty leave days are being calculated in respect of no pay leave in 2015/2016. Action will be taken to finish the said task expeditiously and will report the progress.

	Sections 22.1 and 22.3, Chapter XII	Saturdays, Sundays and other public holidays which fell in between the no pay leave had not been considered as no pay days too. According to the information submitted to the audit, the sum to be recovered for 1062 ½ days in 2015 for 38 officers, 1250 days in 2016 for 47 officers is respectively Rs. 352,747 and Rs. 1,175,260 totaling to Rs. 1,528,007 as of 27 th December 2017 based on the erroneously calculated days.	
3.	Financial Review		
3.1	Financial Outcomes		
	A deficiency of Rs. 292,520,000, being the financial outcome of operational activities of the Council was reported in the year under review and the respective deficiency for the previous year was Rs. 269,787,000. Thus comparatively, a downturn of Rs. 22,733,000 in the financial outcome was observed in the year under review. Even though total revenue was increased by Rs. 490,649,000, the operational expenditure and youth development expenditure were increased by Rs. 51,557,000 and Rs. 461,825,000 respectively thus considerably effecting to the lowering of financial outcome for the year.		
4	Operational Review		
4.1	Performance		
	Activities and Review The following observations are made.		
(a)	The following observations were made with respect to the planned programmes to be implemented in 2017 in order to achieve the objectives as stipulated in the Section 4 of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979.		
(i).	The details regarding the programmes that had been planned to implement in the year under review and later abandoned are as follows.		

	Planned Programme	Target	Allocation Rs.Mn.	
	English Language Training of the Members of the Youth Clubs	Programmes 49 Beneficiaries 1935	3.5	<p>While it was earlier scheduled to select only 104 members to the foreign squad in 2017, the Director General instructed to select 8 persons from each district and approximately 208 members to be sent abroad.</p> <p>Accordingly the allocations reserved at the beginning of the year for the above programme was inadequate. Further the programme on ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH CLUB MEMBERS had been proposed to implement in 2017. The youths who have been targeted to follow the English language Programme on district level have also been included in the foreign squad. Thus said programme was not implemented and part of its allocation was also taken and implemented a 150 hour English Language Course at the Batangala Training Center for all the 208 member squad under 02 batches.</p> <p>The remaining allocations under the ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH CLUB MEMBERS was transferred through exchange notes to some other programmes which were also implemented in the same year.</p>
	Obtaining multimedia technology equipment	Programmes 01 Beneficiaries 360	27	<p>It was planned to provide 360 nos, of multimedia projectors to be used by the youth club members in programmes such as youth camps, training workshops being organized at the regional level. An allocation of Rs.27 Mn had also been reserved for this purpose. Even though it was decided to distribute these multimedia projectors to the youth club regional boards on Divisional Secretariat basis through the Youth Services Officers, the following matters with respect to protection of these equipment were arisen.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There were no proper places to keep these equipment securely at Divisional Secretariat level (storage facilities) 2. Since regional boards do not have permanent offices or centers, protection cannot be granted for the said equipment. <p>Having considered the aforementioned facts, it</p>

				was compelled to suspend the obtaining multi media projectors temporarily.
	Entrepreneurship Development Programmes – Vocational Technical Colleges	Schools – 02 Beneficiaries - 150	0.5	<p>Rs. 500,000 was allocated to implement Vocational Technical College in 2017. The course was scheduled to conduct on weekends from 9.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. for duration of 8 days by resource personnel who possess knowledge on this course and have obtained entrepreneurship training.</p> <p>The major objective of this Vocational Technical College is to provide assistance to run a business in a more productive manner and to provide required training to those young businessmen aspiring to engage in business, and also to those who are already engaged in business and to the students of vocational training institutes. The youths who are unable to attend the residential training on entrepreneurship programme conducted by the Division can join this programme upon payment of Rs. 5,000/-. The advertisements on this inclusive of aforementioned details were published in the ‘Silumina’ and ‘Weerakesari’ newspapers incurring a cost of Rs. 1,454,417.50.</p> <p>Since few applications were received for this course, it had not been able to implement the programme.</p> <p>Non-implementation of Vocational Technical College, failure to conduct the district programme of entrepreneurship programme scheduled to be held in Kandy and holding only one NYSCO Progress Review Meeting out of 02 scheduled programmes are the reasons for the remaining unspent allocation of Rs. 633,549.00</p> <p>All the programmes as stipulated in the 2017 Action Plan were held accordingly and unspent allocation was transferred and 08 Entrepreneurship Training Programmes were held in districts in addition to the planned activities.</p>
	17 th National Youth Federation Training	Programmes 01 Beneficiaries5	-	The official term of the Sri Lanka Youth Club Federation for the year 2017 was scheduled to end in May. The official term of the National Federation was extended till December 2017 to provide opportunity to youths in the National

		2				Federation to regulate the Sri Lanka Youth Club Federation/ Executive Committee and programmes planned during that period. Thus national federation representatives were not appointed and need had not been arisen to provide them with training.
	(ii). The allocations reserved for the below mentioned two programmes as per the action plan were insufficient, Thus it was unable to reach the target.					
	Planned Programme	Allocation Rs. Mn.				
	Providing sport equipment to empower Youth Clubs	2.00		While Rs. 2.0 Mn allocation had been allocated to purchase sport goods and equipment as per the Action Plan 2017, a long term investment had been made with respect to purchasing of 90 hurdles to District Level events which is an essential factor towards conducting the National Youth Sports Festival. Further as additional allocation was required to conduct National Youth Sports Festival 2017, the unspent allocation of total allocation made to purchase sport equipment was transferred to National Youth Sports Festival..		
	Apprenticeship Training for Youths – Accreditation in terms of Regulations on Quality Management Systems of the Tertiary and Vocatioanl Education Commission	3.00		Since the allocation made to the Technical and Vocational Training Division was insufficient, the said allocation was used for administration work, operational activities and work related to accreditation and thereby it had been able to maintain the quality, continuity and development of courses.		
(iii).	Although the expected targets were achieved in majority of programs implemented in terms of the development plan of the Council, the following programmes were not implemented as expected.					
	Programme	No. of Programmes		No. of Beneficiaries		
		Target	Actual	Target	Actual	
01	Foreign Training Programmes of Officers – International Youth Conferences, Workshops	07	04	28	17	The progress of the Officers Oversees Training Programme proposed under the Action Plan 2017 had been erroneously stated by an oversight and the progress of the said programme was stated under the programme on Sri Lankan Youth Actively Contribute at Regional Work Shop/ Youth Forums & Meeting. It should be corrected as per the Annexure No. 02
02	Commencement of HOPE 2017	12,600	12,133	405,000	291,625	The establishment of Youth Clubs in connection with Schools/Vocational Training Centers was terminated consequent to a request made to the

	Programme and Reorganization of Youth Clubs					Hon.Chairman at a meeting of the National Board of Sri Lanka Youth Club Federation. But reports were already compiled with targets during that time. Under these circumstances, the number of youth clubs were decreased. Thus proposed targets were unable to accomplish and it was contributed to the decrease in number of youth clubs and its members. Nevertheless number of youth societies and its membership had been increased to 12,178 and 337,875 respectively.
03	Conducting Awareness programmes for School Children	168	63	16,800	6,794	<p>The allocations were not made available under the National Youth Services Council for implementation of these programmes as the said programmes were organized under voluntarily basis. The officers in charge of Career Guidance Centers were responsible for implementing volunteer programmes and the said officers were also deployed for duties of major programmes of the Council such as Yowunpura, National Sports Festival, Youth Camps etc. When such officers worked towards the success of such national level programmes, volunteer programmes may be implemented at quantitatively lesser value. So it is observed that relevant targets of volunteer programmes were not achieved.</p> <p>The officers in charge of Career Guidance Centers of districts whilst holding that responsibility also held responsibility as Youth Officers in charge of Divisional Secretariat Divisions or as the Officer in charge of Vocational Training Centers. So that it is observed that there wasn't sufficient time to implement volunteer programmes and as a result progress of volunteer programmes had been decreased.</p>
04	Conducting Awareness Programmes to School Leavers	231	112	11,550	8,381	<p>The allocations were not made available under the National Youth Services Council for implementation of these programmes as the said programmes were organized under voluntarily basis. The officers in charge of Career Guidance Centers were responsible for implementing volunteer programmes and the said officers were also deployed for duties of major programmes of the Council such as Yowunpura, National Sports Festival, Youth Camps etc. When such officers worked towards the success of such national level programmes, volunteer programmes may be implemented at quantitatively lesser value. So it is observed that relevant targets of volunteer programmes were not achieved.</p> <p>The officers in charge of Career Guidance Centers of districts whilst holding that responsibility also held responsibility as Youth Officers in charge of</p>

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	05	Couselling Programmes themed "Winning Life Targets" for youths	24	310	1,200	617	<p>The number of programmes targeted under "winning life targets" was 24. But due to the sudden death of Hambanthota District Counseling Officer, it was unable to conduct some of the allocated programmes. Accordingly number of programmes conducted was only 20.</p> <p>However the overall progress on number of implemented programmes was achieved in December 2017 and overall participation for the programme stood at 1384.</p>
(b)		Out of the annual allocation of Rs. 23.76 Mn in respect of income promotion and farm development activities in 2017, 60%, being Rs. 14.25 Mn had not been utilized for the relevant development works. In terms of information provided for the Audit, out of total cultivatable land of 406.5 acres in 13 farms as at 23.05.2018, 230.5 acres or 56.7% had not been utilized for the cultivation.					<p>Although it was shown under budgetary variation in Financial Statements in 2017 of Accounts Division that Rs. 9.51 Mn had been spent out of Rs. 23.76 Mn allocated for the income promotion and farm development division (Annexure No. 03), the expenditure of farms working account had not been added to aforesaid expenditure.</p> <p>As per farms working account, Rs. 12.64 Mn had been incurred in 2017. Accordingly, total expenditure was Rs. 9.509Mn +Rs. 12.640Mn. = Rs. 22.140 Mn</p> <p>Thus "underutilized expenditure of development activities was 60%" was an erroneous statement and it was due to deficiencies in financial statements.</p> <p>Total cultivatable lands of 13 farms as at 23.05.2018 was reported as 406 acres. This also included the lands located in Morawewa (4 acres) and Nilaweli (200 acres). Acquisition of the said lands is still being carried out due to the delays in the part of other relevant Institutions and acquisition is not yet granted. Thus said 204 acres cannot be calculated under cultivatable lands. (Annexure No. 5)</p> <p>The cultivation in Nuwaraeliya has been temporarily suspended as it was decided to lease out the said land. Since the farm at Doluwa was initiated during this year, land preparation work is still being carried out.</p> <p>Further, the cultivation of seasonal crops in Ethungama Training Center in Anuradhapura district had been temporarily suspended as losses incurred due to prolong drought prevailing in the</p>

		<p>district. Only the cultivation of permanent crops and animal husbandry activities are being carried out at present.</p> <p>Providing agricultural knowledge to youths, being the main objective of the division was carried out by conducting NVQ courses by these 10 farms (Eraminiyaya, Pannala, Batangala, Punagari, Akmeemana, Doluwa, Dambulla, Lewwaegoda, Monaragala, Ethungama).</p> <p>The factors contributory to deceleration of farm development were inadequate staff for farm activities and lack of agricultural machinery etc. Accordingly out of the total cultivatable land of 200 acres, 176 acres had already been utilized for cultivation. Thus it is hereby informed that only 12% of the total land had not been utilized yet.</p>
4.2	Management Activities	
	The following observations are made.	
(a)	Although the Assistant Director of the NYSCO Video Division had requested several times to maintain the NYSCO Video Studio operated by the Council, to obtain essential teaching equipment required for teaching modules in the Syllabus of Television Programme Production Techniques and Video Techniques Course conducted by the NYSCO Video Division and to obtain camera equipment for NYSCO Video Division, the management has failed to fulfill those requirements.	
	The date on which the request was made	Description
	15.06.2015	To purchase necessary equipment to the Video Division according to the Development Plan 2015.
	12.06.207	To purchase camera equipment to the NYSCO Video Division.
	27.06.2017	To purchase computers to the NYSCO Video Division.
	2017	The required audio studio equipment for the practical component of the Course.
	02.01.2018	To obtain Editing Equipment Set.
	24.11.20177	To obtain television set to NYSCO Video Division.
	2017	To modernize the Studio Lighting System.
		<p>The quotations were already called to purchase that equipment according to the specifications. It will be possible to obtain that equipment at the end of this year as procurement process is now being implemented.</p> <p>The documents relevant to the details of this procurement is attached as Annexure No.06.</p>

	20.09.2017	To obtain Editing Equipment Set	
	07.07.2017	Maintenance of the Studio.	
(b)	The necessary corrections were not made even by 31 st July 2018 regarding the following observations made by the Audit in terms of the Sample Audit Tests carried out in respect of the observations revealed by the examination reports issued by the Internal Audit Division of the Council in 2017.		
(i)	A sum of Rs. 137,500 payable to Youth Club Regional Boards who won 1 st and 2 nd places and to the Youth Services Officers who directed it had not been paid even by the end of the year under review in terms of the Circulars bearing No. කස.ස.2-11/12/18 issued on 08.03.2012 and 02.12.2012 under Sri Lanka Youth Housing Project 2012.		Subsequent to an audit with respect to not granting prizes to the winning houses in the Gampaha district under Sri Lanka Youth Housing Project 2012, a report was released on 10.10.2017. The relevant officers were inquired in this regard based on this report and their replies were received on 07.08.2017. Since this transaction dates back to 05 years, payment can be made after obtaining approvals of the Board of Directors and Secretary to the Ministry.
(ii)	Even though action could be taken to charge a rent from the officers residing in a building at Alek Akuvihare Place, Matale which is owned by the Council's District Office of Matale, no action was taken in this regard.		The Provincial Directors were made aware on levying of fees by Office Memo – 01/2018 on Incurring Expenditure from Financial Allocations – Administration Division 2018. Therefore levying economical fees is currently taking place. A letter had been sent to Provincial Director (Central) instructing him to charge a economical fee from the staff the council in the Matale District Office.
4.3	Operational Inefficiencies		
	The following observations are made.		
(a)	In terms of information provided by the Land Division to audit purposes, the Council has failed to acquire the legal ownership of 59 no. of lands which have been currently used by the Council as at 31.12.2017. Out of the said lands, it was observed that 07 lands are owned by Land Reform Commission, 05 lands are owned by Mahaweli Authority and 03 lands are owned by the Department of Railway. Even though the 02 lands, the land in which Polgahawela Training Center is located and the land located at Borella have been used by the Council for more than 32 years and 30 years respectively, it had not been able to settle the legal ownership		Detailed report was attached as Annexure No. 07.

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(b)	Skills Sectoral Development Programme																			
(i)	<p>It was planned to commence and conduct new training programmes annually on par with demands of the labour market and increase the student registration for the said training programmes under activity 3.2.1 of detailed action plan of the National Youth Services Council. The aforementioned activity was also included in the Annual Action Plan prepared by the Council for the year 2017, but none of the new programme was introduced in any of the training centers of the Council.</p>	<p>Plans were submitted as follows to the General Treasury and the Skills Sectoral Development Programme as per the Corporate Plan of the Council to expand Council's Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training Programmes whilst identifying the demands and the timely needs of the labour market.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Financial Allocation</th> <th>Year</th> <th>Requested Allocation (Rs.)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>01.Treasury Allocation</td> <td>2017</td> <td>120 Million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02. Skills Sectoral Development Programme (SSDP)</td> <td>2017</td> <td>751.76 Million</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The below mentioned allocations were provided to the National Youth Services Council.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Financial Source</th> <th>Year</th> <th>Received Allocation (Rs.)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>01. Treasury Allocation</td> <td>2017</td> <td>53.0 Million</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02. Skills Sectoral Development Programme (SSDP)</td> <td>2017</td> <td>88.0 Million</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Accordingly, the expected outputs had not been able to achieve as necessary funds were not received to implement the proposed plans.</p> <p>However, following courses were conducted by managing the funds received to the Council and obtaining the external financial grants from the ILO. Dehiattakandiya Training Center was inaugurated as a new Training Center in 2017. Further, Rikillagaskada Youth Empowerment Center constructed by the Council was being used by the Youth Corps</p>	Financial Allocation	Year	Requested Allocation (Rs.)	01.Treasury Allocation	2017	120 Million	02. Skills Sectoral Development Programme (SSDP)	2017	751.76 Million	Financial Source	Year	Received Allocation (Rs.)	01. Treasury Allocation	2017	53.0 Million	02. Skills Sectoral Development Programme (SSDP)	2017	88.0 Million
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and the Council has taken back few buildings and inaugurated its Rikillagaskada Training Center with new facilities. A new Training Center was established at Kantale as well.

In addition, modernization work under improvement of infrastructure facilities of all the training centers around the island was implemented with the utilization of funds obtained by the Council at the special request of Director General. Hence the training capacity of several training centers had increased and designed to commence new training courses. Currently, Ratmalana training center was modernized with novel technological facilities and vested with the students.

Accordingly, the new programmes implemented in 2017 were mentioned below.

S. No	Training Center	Course
01	Rikillagaskada Training Center	Beautician Course
		Hairdresser Course
		Electrical Technician Course
		Tailoring Course
		ICT Technician
		Tamil Language
02	Dehiattakandiya Training Center	Professional English Course
		Plumber Course
		Carpentry Course
		Tamil Language
03	Kantale Training Center	House Wiring Course
		Tailoring Course
		Welding Course
		English Course
		Tamil Course

I further stated that the words Mechanic Course mentioned in the audit report referred to the Skills Sectoral Development Programme was corrected as Carpentry Course herein.

02.Carpentry, Plumber and Mobile Phone Repairing Courses were commenced in 2017 at the selected training centers in the Northern Province and Vanni region by International Labour Organization (ILO) and 203 trainees were recruited for the said programmes.

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(ii)	<p>It was observed in the sample audit test carried out in respect of the performance allowance paid to the Academic Staff by the National Youth Services Council under Skills Sectoral Development Programme that said payment was paid misinterpreting the criteria given by the Ministry of Skills Development and Vocational Training and without giving due consideration to performance. Rs. 4,002.00 Mn was paid by the Council in 2017 as Performance allowances.</p>	<p>(ii) When paying the performance allowance to the Academic Staff by the National Youth Services Council under Skills Sectoral Development Programme, the Council had introduced a performance evaluation format to pay the said allowance efficiently. The staff was evaluated covering each of the activity accurately and the allowance was paid based on criteria and less allowance was paid for those who failed to fulfill the criterion factors.</p> <p>Out of the money allocated to pay performance allowance, a sum of Rs. 4,002.0 Mn was paid and abled to save Rs. 10,998 as remained unspent.</p>																																																																																								
(iii)	<p>Pertinent to the letter No. MSDVT/SSDP/2016 – 1 dated 26.02.2016 of the Secretary to the Ministry of Skills Development and Vocational Training as to the Circular on Establishment of Quality Management Systems and develop Quality Culture in Training Centers, It was aimed to establish Quality Management Systems in 10 training center during 2016 and</p>	<p>(iii) National Youth services Council has decided to establish quality management systems in 10 training centers in 2016 and Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission had granted quality certificate to 07 centers so far. The development activities in the Dehiwala Training Center were delayed as Governing Council of the Center released the</p>																																																																																								

	<p>in 20 training center during 2017 as per the Action Plan - 2017 and to obtain the quality certificates in this regard. But out of the total 52 training centers of the council, only 07 centers had obtained quality management certificates by 30th April 2018. Even though plans were underway to establish quality management systems in 20 training centers in 2017, allocations were made only to 10 training centers.</p>	<p>required allocations belatedly and development work was extended to 2018. The deviations stipulated in the first audit of the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission were corrected by now and thus arrangements had been made to obtain the certificate before end of December 2018 by the Dehiwala Training Center. As the Dehiwala Training Center is administered by a Governing Council with the Dehiwala Municipal Council, the National Youth Services Council was not in apposition to mediate its activities alone.</p> <p>Due to the construction work carried out in Dambulla and Chilaw Training Centers, establishment of quality management systems were also got delayed. But soon after the completion of construction work, preliminary work towards obtaining the certificate was done. Rs. 20.0 Mn estimate was submitted to establish quality management systems in 20 training centers in 2017 under the Skills Sectoral Development Programme, but the released allocation in 2017 was only Rs. 10.0Mn. This was informed to that institution at the Progress Review Meeting and it was decided to establish quality management systems in 10 centers only and funds were released only to those institutions. The development work to be done in order to obtain the quality certificate was completed and audits by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission are being carried out and it has been planned to obtain the certificates for the said centers before the end of September 2018. (a photocopy of the amended report was attached as Annexure No. 08)</p>
(iv)	<p>Even though Rs. 4,800,000 has been allocated to grant a monthly allowance of Rs. 4,000 to 100 students who require financial assistance under Activity 1.4.6 in the Detailed Action Plan 2014-2016, the said activity was not included in the Action Plan of 2014-2017.</p>	<p>The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development was the line Ministry during 2014-2020. Allocations were made in their Detailed Action Plan to identify 100 needy students and provide them with a monthly allowance of Rs. 4,000. But with the change of line ministries in 2015, such allocations had not been made for our Institution.</p>
(c)	<p>The following observations were made with regard to the programme implemented under the financial assistance of Rs. 2,961,000 granted by United Nations Economic and Social</p>	

	Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) in view of enhancing Capacity Building of the Government to formulate Sustainable Development Policies in better response to needs of the Sri Lankan youths.	
(i)	The Youth Organizations Development Division of the National Youth Services Council was engaged with this programme and access to all the information to formulate policy strategies was available. All the programmes, lectures and discussions with the ESCAP were attended by Assistant Director in-charge of the Youth Organizations Development Division and two other officers. However, the Council had selected a non-governmental organization as partner to implement this programme and the said selection process lacked the transparency. Further during the in situ inspection carried out in 12 th December 2017, it was revealed that there's no such organization in the given address. Further by the letter no. ET/2/19/332/389 dated 26.12.2017, Assistant Director (Legal Investigations) had requested to furnish the original copy of the its registration certificate to ascertain its registration. But the said organization had failed to submit it even by 30 th June 2018.	The detailed report in this respect was submitted by Annexure No. 09 .
(ii)	The Board of Director has decided to pay 68% of the total allocation i.e. Rs. 2, 010,0000 to the non-governmental organization out of the total sum of Rs. 2,961,000. Despite a request from the Foundation for Strengthening Human Skills (FSHS), based on a request of the Assistant Director the Youth Organizations Development Division dated 17 th October 2017, an advance of Rs. 1,005,000 was paid to the said Human Skills Productivity Fund by a Cheque bearing no. 155198 dated 20.10.2017 under the Voucher no. 744. Further, the cheque was not handed over to the relevant organization and instead it was handed over to the Youth Organizations Development Division. It was revealed to the Audit that the respective division took arrangements to deposit it in the said Foundation's bank account. In terms of Procurement Guidelines 5.4.4, advance payment can be paid only to works or goods procurement. This activity was neither work or goods procurement and it was a service procurement. So payment of an advance exceeding 50% to this activity and paying the	There was a very short period of time to prepare this training module. The tasks of making appointments with the specialized training consultants, obtaining technical assistance for it, maintaining notes during that period, computerization, obtaining necessary resources for that purpose etc., should had to be completed during the said period. Having considered facts such as use of other similar guidelines and fulfillment of requirements, this type of work may fall into the work category also. The FSHS as the partnering organization, had rendered its technical and financial assistance throughout the process. In addition, ESCAP had nominated this organization and the Council approval had also been granted by the memorandum no. කස.ප.ස./2-11/17/03 dated 25.09.2018 thus this task was assigned to them. Nevertheless, necessary instructions were given in respect of procedures and methods to be followed in future in similar tasks.

	advance without a security were controversial.	
(d)	<p>In terms of the syllabus recommended by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission for the National Diploma on Production of Television Programmes (National Vocational Qualification – NVQ Level – 5) conducted by the NYSCO Video Division of the National Youth Services Council, course duration of 1500 hours should be covered in the areas of theoretical assignments, practical exercises, creations, self-study. But in the sample audit test conducted on compulsory theoretical and practical lecture component, they did not cover at least 69 ½ hours with respect to 10 subjects. An Instructor of this course who is in charge of the subjects of Information Technology, and Communication by his letter dated 10th October 2016 addressed to the Assistant Director (NYSCO Video Division) informed that this Course was not conducting with the required proper standards relevant to the National Vocational Qualifications.</p>	<p>Practical work of 2016/2017 batch was commenced on 31.03.2017 and these programmes are now being conducted and NVQ Level – 5 was obtained. The Certificate received in this regard is attached as Annexure No. 10. As the instructor who lectured the subject of Information Technology Management and Communication had resigned from the course without prior notice, the remaining hours of the course was completed by obtaining the service of Mr. Gayan Pitigala, working in the Computer Division of the University of Kelaniya. (the relevant teaching notes and bio data is attached herewith.) In addition, a workshop covering the entire syllabus was held to trainees who followed this course and subsequent to sending trainees to employment oriented training, the written examination was held. All the answer scripts were sent to the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission for marking.</p>
(e)	<p>When investigating the 2016 March commenced three year fulltime Music Diploma Course which is conducted by the Youth Center of National Youth Council, since 2004, a basic plan comprised of the subjects relevant to the course and no. of hours to be covered, required qualifications of the instructors and the names of the participant instructors had not been prepared. Certain subjects which did not include in the syllabus were included into the timetable and out of the scheduled 989 hours for the first academic year, 189 hours had been spent to teach those subjects upto 11th November 2019. Although 50 hours each had been allocated for the English Language and Computer Training, the said subjects were not taught.</p>	<p>Bio Data details of the instructors who teaches subjects relevant to the mentioned courses therein had already been obtained and thus it could be certified that they had fulfilled basic qualifications.</p> <p>Accreditation of courses up to National Vocational Qualification – NVQ Level VI had been thus far completed and accordingly names of the participant lecturers were included into the time tables.</p> <p>Although the subject of the stage performance training was not included in the syllabus, this division had identified the stage performance training as an essential training component and from the inception of this course the said training had continually been provided to the students. This will enable them to acquire more professional value as wells familiarity of stage performance which will be an essential requisite for their future.</p> <p>The subject of English had been included to the Weekly timetable by now and the course is being conducted by deploying English Language Instructors and Foreign Volunteer Groups. The assistance of Youth Volunteer Workers of United Kingdom had been</p>

		obtained in this regard. (Annexed as Annexure No.11)
(f)	<p>The objective of the Skills Sectoral Development Programme was to increase the labour force with skills through increased access to training programmes which suit to the labour market. But the student registration in 2016 for full time courses conducted at 48 Training Centers of the National Youth Service Council was 8,557. It was 14.66% increase when compared with the previous year. In 2017, it was 9,169 or 7.15% increase. Although annual students registration has been increased, a reduction of 7.51% in the rate of students registration was observed in 2017 when compared with 2016.</p> <p>While the course dropout rate of registered students during 2014-2016 ranged from 20-21%, in 2014 it was increased to 27.89%.</p>	<p>The vocational training targets were accomplished by recruiting trainees by the National Youth Services Council annually. It's not possible to expect that trainee growth % of a particular year is proportionately increasing against another year. In order to expect such growth rate, new training centers should be opened annually and commenced new courses as well. In vocational training activities, the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission (TVEC) as well as the National Youth Services Council anticipate to provide qualitative training to youths. During the transformation of courses into National Vocational Qualifications – NVQ Level, the number of trainees recruited for each course was limited to 20. When efforts are being made to increase the quality of courses, decreasing trend of trainee registration is evident.</p> <p>The other state institutions engage in implementing vocational training courses began to conduct all the courses free of charge from 2017 onwards. Since the National Youth Service Council does not come under the Vocational Training and Skills Development Ministry, granting of funds by the Treasury to conduct courses did not get under way. However, the National Youth Service Council also operating under limited funds commenced conducting 15 selected courses in technical and technological spheres to students free of charge.</p> <p>Having considered all the aforementioned facts, due to annual fluctuations in the number of students following vocational training, the rate of recruiting trainees may also increase or decrease.</p>
4.4	Underutilization of Funds	
	<p>According to the information received by the audit, the National Youth Service Council received Rs. 2,215,328 from the United Nations Organization under 'Active Citizen Training Programme' in 2015 and it had not been utilized for the relevant purpose even by 30th June 2018.</p>	<p>Neither a project report nor Memorandum of Understanding of Active Citizen Training Program had been submitted at the time of restructuring of the new management process of the National Youth Service Council during the first quarter of 2015.</p> <p>Since the allocations of this programme had</p>

		not been spent thus far, instructions had been given to terminate the programme before the end of 2018.																																																																													
4.5	Idle and Under Utilized Assets Following observations were made.																																																																														
(a)	Although goods to be purchased according to the necessity, when examining the store's inventory report presented as at 31 st December 2017, it was observed that 426 sport equipment units under 09 categories amounting to Rs. 501,600.00 for more than 02 years and 2207 other units of goods under 09 categories amounting to Rs. 837,952.00 for more than one year were kept in the stores without being used.	<p>As District Boards or Regional Boards do not have necessary sport equipment to conduct National Youth Services Council's annual District Sport Events, Regional Sports Events, action has been taken to keep those sport equipment in the stores as follows. (4 units of each item and football and volleyball 8 each)</p> <p>Accordingly,</p> <table> <tr> <td>800g weights</td> <td>-</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>20,400.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>600g weights</td> <td>-</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>13,500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1Kg Discs</td> <td>-</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>8,400.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2Kg Discs-</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>9,400.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7Kg Disc-</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>9,800.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Football</td> <td>-</td> <td>08</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>14,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Volleyball</td> <td>-</td> <td>09</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>20,250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total (Rs)</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>95,750.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>08 volleyballs to Sport Development Unit and 13 volleyballs to Cultural Unit had been issued.</p> <p>2207 other good units under 09 categories amounting to Rs. 837,952.00.</p> <p>The list of goods at the Stores as at 10.08.2018 is as follows.</p> <table> <tr> <td>Skinnies</td> <td>-</td> <td>426</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Official Tea Shirts</td> <td>-</td> <td>202</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Youth Sports Cap</td> <td>-</td> <td>180</td> </tr> </table> <p>Following goods have been kept in the stores for repeated uses for different programmes of the Council.</p> <table> <tr> <td>40A main switches</td> <td>-</td> <td>48</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>152,640.00</td> </tr> </table>	800g weights	-	04	-				20,400.00	600g weights	-	04	-				13,500.00	1Kg Discs	-	04	-				8,400.00	2Kg Discs-	04	-					9,400.00	7Kg Disc-	04	-					9,800.00	Football	-	08	-				14,000.00	Volleyball	-	09	-				20,250.00	Total (Rs)			95,750.00	Skinnies	-	426	Official Tea Shirts	-	202	Youth Sports Cap	-	180	40A main switches	-	48	-				152,640.00
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		<p>Varnished Timber - 29 - 64,090.00</p> <p>Stop Watches - 07 - 55,650.00</p> <p>Although stopwatches have been kept in the stores, it had already been issued to the Sport Development Division.</p>
(b)	<p>(b) Subsequent to an agreement made with Urban Development Authority in 23rd June 2003, Rs. 2,960,000 was paid initially upon the condition that Rs. 1000 to be paid annually as annual land lease charge and then the land was obtained on lease basis to construct a youth center. 01 acre extent this land at Beruwala is being kept idle without making any construction even by 15th March 2018.</p>	<p>Assistant Director (Kalutara) had handed over the plan of the land relevant to the construction of Beruwala Youth Center to the approval of the Urban Development Authority and the building plan and the tender documents have been prepared as per the project report. The requested allocation for the construct work of this project had not been provided yet in 2018. Therefore, Invitation for Bids had temporarily been stopped. A request was made to the Secretary to release at least funds required for the proposed construction schedule to be carry out in this year. The Secretary had requested the General Treasury to release Money. Further, this project is included in the Action Plan -2019 and allocations have been requested. (Annexure No. 12)</p>
(c)	<p>(c) In view of constructing a building to an extent of 3000 square feet within 03 years and utilized by the National Youth Services Council to maintain a Vocational Training Center, a block of 20 purchase land located in Gonahena area in Adikari Paththuwa, Siyane Korale was transferred to the council by a Private Party and the said conveyance was made by gift of deed on 09th October 1996. But the Council had not taken any action even by 31st December 2017 to commence a Vocational Training Center. So it was observed that this land is being kept as an idle asset.</p>	<p>The Sooriarchchi Foundation donated this 20 purchase land located in Gonahena area in Adikari Paththuwa, Siyane Korale to the Council by a Deed of Gift No.56. Due to a legal matter relating to this land, a case has been taken up at the District Court, Gampaha since 26.06.2006. The Attorney General's Department by the letter No. CA/53-8/01/NYSC/IRA dated 05.02.2016 had informed that since the said land was released from the legal case, there's no legal barrier towards future development work of the said land. So, action will be taken after considering the possibility to construct a training center in the said land.</p>
4.6	Identified Losses	
	<p>The quotations were called to obtain video walls on rent basis for the Yowunpura Programme held in 2017. As per the newspaper advertisement quotations were called for 06 no. of video walls for 05 days, but only 05 no. of video walls had been used only for 04 days. An overpayment of Rs. 670,834 made without</p>	<p>Rs. 670,834.00 had been deducted through voucher No. 272 and issued a new cheque on 06.06.2018. (copy of the relevant voucher - Annexure No. 13)</p>

	considering the actual number of days the said video walls had been used.			
4.7	Resources of the Council given to other State Institutions The following observations are made.			
(a)	03 vehicles costing Rs. 24,100,000 owned by the Council had been given to the line ministry usage. Of them 02 vehicles had been used by the Ministry since 2012 and other vehicle had been used by the Ministry since 2013. A sum of Rs. 131,154 had been paid by the Council in 2017 as insurance installment.			All the vehicles of the National Youth Services Council were insured under a group insurance scheme. Since the Council has the ownership of aforementioned vehicles also, they were insured under the aforesaid scheme in the National Insurance Trust Fund in terms of the instructions of the Finance Ministry Circular, Finance Circular 4/2015.
(b)	03 officers of Senior Management level and one Assistant Youth Service Officer were attached to three outside institutions which were not affiliated to the Council in 2017. Details were as follows,			
	Post held at the National Youth Services Council	Attached to (name of the Institution)	Date on which attached to the outside institution	
	Deputy Director	ජනාධිපති කාර්යාලය Presidential Secretariat	03.02.2017	As requested by the Presidential Secretariat, the salary is being paid by the National Youth Services Council.
	Secretary	Ministry of Plantation Industries	13.06.2017	Salary is being paid subject to reimbursement by the respective Ministry.
	Assistant Director	Sri Lanka National Youth Services Co-operative Society Ltd	23.05.2017	The respective officer has been attached to the Sri Lanka National Youth Services Co-operative Society Ltd to carry out work relating to grant of loans to employees of the Council. Thus, a salary of this officer is being paid by the Council.
	Assistant Youth Services Officer	Presidential Secretariat	04.07.2017	Salary is being paid subject to reimbursement by the Presidential Secretariat.

4.8	Use of resources of other external institutions by the Council				
	13 vehicles which belong to outside institutions are being used by the council for over 03 year without following due transfer procedure.				
		Vehicle No.	Name of the Institution (outsidel)		
	01	KJ – 7551	Ministry of Economic Development	The vehicle bearing No. KJ-7551 was handed over to the National Youth Services Council by the Prime Minister’s Office upon the request of the Director General. The ownership the vehicle is held by the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs. As per the instructions of the Secretary to the Prime Minister, the relevant documents to effect the transfer of the vehicle had been handed over to the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs by the letter dated 23.02.2015. But the Ministry had not taken any action thus far regarding this transfer.	
	02	KC – 6600	} Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs	KC-6600 Peugeot Motor car registered under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports had been given to the General Manager of the Sri Lanka National Youth Services Cooperative Societies Association Ltd. and it was taken from Cooperative Societies Association to the National Youth Services Council. This car had been in use upto 2015. Since it’s not in use at present, it has been informed to Secretary, Ministry of Project Management, Youth affairs and Southern Development to receive back it.	
	03	PG – 5074			
	04	PG – 5078			
	05	PG – 4910			
	06	PG – 4897			
	07	PG – 4895			
	08	PG – 4912			
	09	PG – 4907			
	10	PG – 4908			
	11	PG – 5067			
	12	PG – 4899			It is informed that ownership of the 10 cabs under PG group does not held by the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs. It was purchased under 05 year lease from the Bank of Ceylon in 2015 and registered under the Secretary, State Ministry of Youth Affairs and given to the Council. Until the expiration of the lease period, the sole ownership of the said vehicles will be held by the Bank of Ceylon. Until the lapse of the lease period, transfer of vehicles cannot be executed.
	13	50 – 4585			Ministry of Plan Implementation

					<p>Ministry of Plan Implementation. The Project Director had informed to the National Youth service Council to transfer the ownership of the vehicle to the Council in 2016. Accordingly, relevant documents to effect the transfer were forwarded to them. But the said transfer had not been taken place properly. Therefore, the documents relevant to the transfer were referred again to the Director (Planning), District Secretariat, Moneragala in 2015. But it was not happened till 2015 and when the Council repeatedly inquired about this matter, Director (Planning) had informed us to send documents relevant to the transfer in 2015. Although relevant documents had been sent again, the transfer had not yet been made.</p> <p>The Cab is currently parked in the Sapugaskande Training Center and the engine had to be repaired as it got burned due to a defect. The body of the cab had also started decaying.</p>
4.9	Personnel Administration				
	The following observations are made.				
	Description	Approved Cadre	Actual Cadre	No. of Vacancies	
	Higher Management Level (HM)	05	04	01	
	Senior Management Level (MM)	63	59	04	
	Posts of Middle Management Level	106	61	45	
	Other	1257	1121	136	
	Total	1431	1245	186	Note : - 388 employees who have been appointed to the posts personal to the holder and later abolished were not included under actual cadre.
(b)	Three Officers have been appointed to the posts of the Higher Management Level from 18 months to 03 years on secondment basis. Ten Officers have been appointed to the four posts of the Senior Management Level on acting basis. Further 57 officers have been appointed to cover up the duties and 23 officers have been appointed				(b). 05 categories of designations – Deputy Director, Assistant Director, Warden, Internal Auditor, Engineer (Civil) under Management Category (MM 1-1) had been approved and out of that only for the vacancies existed in the post of Deputy Director, the appointments were given on acting basis subject to the approval in

<p>to attending to the duties. It is further observed that there are some officers who are attending to the duties for periods ranging from 09 months to 11 years.</p>	<p>writing granted by the National Salaries and Cadre Commission. For none of the other posts, appointment on acting basis had not been given. (Letters of Appointment and Letters of Extension of Service of the Officers appointed on secondment basis were provided in Annexure No.14)</p> <p>Appointments made on acting basis had to effect to the post of Deputy Director due to following reasons; in terms of the approved Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions of the National Youth Service Council, the said post of Deputy Director comes under Management (MM 1-1) Category Class I post and among the officers who hold the posts of Assistant Directors there were no Class I officers at present and external recruitment could not be made to the said post.</p> <p>In order to apply for the post of Assistant Director, 05 year service period in a Class I post under Junior Management Category (JM 1-1) was considered as per the approved Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions of the National Youth Service Council as at 22.11.2012. In the said Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions no officers had been working in the posts approved for the Junior Management Category (JM 1-1) and duties assigned to the said posts were assigned to officer attending to duties and they were kept in post personal to them under MA-4 category . Further these officers did not have any promotion scheme under the approved Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions and thus earlier approved Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions was amended with effective from 01.11.2016.</p> <p>Accordingly, for some vacancies existed in posts of Junior Manager level (JM 1-1), interviews were conducted and appointments were given with effective from 01.11.2016. Since those officers did not have fulfill required 05 years of experience in the Junior Management (JM 1-1) category in order to apply for the Assistant Director in Management (MM 1-1) category in approved new Scheme of Recruitment and Promotions, existed 23 vacancies in the post Assistant Director were filled by giving appointment on attending to duties basis with effective from 14.02.2017.</p>
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		Therefore, the officers who were given attending to duties on the posts had been serving in the said posts for 01 year and 05 months.
(c)	In addition to the posts approved by the Department of Management Services as at 08.11.2016, 15 posts of Deputy Director, 12 posts of Assistant Directors and 04 Middle level Officers were attached to the council on acting and covering up the duties basis. The letter no. DMS/1671- V – II dated 08 November 2016 of the Director General of Management Services regarding this matter, it has been informed that acting, covering up duties or making permanent appointment to any of the post can only be done within the approved no. of cadre. But necessary corrective action had not been taken upto 31.12.2017.	The appointments to covering-up duties had been assigned only on instances due to the exigencies of work and they were not granted any salary or allowance in this regard. The appointments to covering-up duties were made only for the purpose of achieving higher performance during various national programmes organized by the National Youth Services Council annually.
(d)	An officer had been appointed on contract basis for the post of Chief Internal Auditor of the Council, and the said post was vacant in February 2018. However upto 30 June 2018, no recruitment was made on permanent basis. Further as at 08 th November 2016, internal auditors have been reduced to two in the approved cadre.	Subsequent to calling applications for the post of Chief Internal Auditor of the National Youth Services Council through a newspaper advertisement published in 18.05.2017, the interview was held on 14.08.2017. Since it had not been able to appoint a suitable officer, again a newspaper advertisement was published in 28.01.2018 and the interview was held on 10.03.2018. Eventhough officers appeared to the interview have fulfilled the required qualifications, but due to the reason that they have not completed 15 years of service in the management level, a request has been made to the Department of Management Service to consider some concession regarding the term of Service. Upon receiving the said approval, this vacancy will be filled expeditiously. Further reducing the number of Internal Audit officers into two had not been made by the letter dated 08.11.2016 on the Approved Cadre. It was effective from the letter no, DMS/E3/36/4/224/1-1 dated 19.05.2011 on the theme “Approval to be given to the Cadre in terms of provisions in the Management Services Circular No. 30”. As a result of repeated reasoning to the department on this matter, approval had been granted to increase number of audit officers into 10.
(e)	A media advisor had been appointed on acting	The answer is given in Annexure No. 15.

	<p>basis from 30 April 2015 with a monthly allowance of Rs. 40,000/- and a vehicle with fuel for official activities. This post was not included in the Approved Cadre. As of 31 December 2017, a sum of Rs. 1,281,333 has been paid as monthly allowances.</p>	
(f)	<p>The approved cadre in the Technical and Vocational Training Division of National Youth Services Council was 176 and as at 31st March 2018 there were 61 vacancies including Director (Training) and Deputy Director (Technical and Vocational Training). Out of 61 vacancies it was observed that 59 vacancies were in the Academic Staff.</p>	<p>One of the Deputy Directors in the permanent cadre of this office had been appointed to the post of Director (Training) to cover up the duties with effective from 16.05.2016 subject to the approval of the Board of Directors and an officer had been appointed to the post of Deputy Director (Technical and Vocational Training) on the acting basis. Although the approval of the Department of Management Services to recruit to the post of Vocational Training Advisor in the Academic Staff and all other vacant posts had been obtained in writing, for the post of Vocational Training Advisor (Contract) approval of the Department of Management Service should be sought separately to professional fields, recruitment qualifications and the service minute. The letter dated 14.08.2018 making the request to obtain the said approval had been referred to the Director General of Management Services through the Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development.</p> <p>The concerned officer in an unauthorized manner has used the official seal of the Assistant Director and made a counterfeit sign and withdrew Rs. 50,000 from a Government Bank. Despite taking any disciplinary action, the subject clerk had issued the letter on vacating of the post. Accordingly a directive had been given to punish the said subject clerk in respect of negligence as stipulated in the II part of the Establishment Code, I schedule. Action has been taken in this regard.</p>
(g)	<p>The officers responsible to take disciplinary action in terms of the section 7, V Chapter against unsatisfactory service of an Assistant Youth Services Officer of the National Youth Services Council had not taken any action. The concerned officer during his tenure in an unauthorized manner has put the official seal of Assistant Director and made a counterfeit sign and withdrew Rs. 50,000 from a Government Bank. The disciplinary action in</p>	<p>The concerned officer in an unauthorized manner has used the official seal of the Assistant Director and made a counterfeit sign and withdrew Rs. 50,000 from a Government Bank. Despite taking any disciplinary action, the subject clerk had issued the letter on vacating of the post. Accordingly a directive had been given to punish the said subject clerk in respect of negligence as stipulated in the II part of the Establishment Code, I schedule.</p>

	terms of II part of the Establishment Code, Section 29,31, Chapter XLVIII had not been taken in this regard.	Action has been taken in this regard.
4.10	Vehicle Utilization The following observations are made.	
(a)	In terms of the letter No. CGO/ASM/policy/cir/01 dated 19.03.2018 of the Ministry of Finance and Mass Media on disposal of vehicles and following the instructions stipulated in the Public Finance Circular No.2015/02 dated 10.07.2015, vehicles should be disposed before 30 th June 2018 and should inform the Comptroller General's Office on or before 30 th July 2018. But, action has not been taken on 07 vehicles which were on disposal state as at 31 st December 2017. Details were as follows.	
	Vehicle No.	Description
	207 – 4654	Three-wheeler
		In 207 – 4654 Bajaj Three-wheeler, the place where chassis number is located had completely decayed. So the Examiner of Motor Vehicles has stated that as identity of the vehicle could not be proved, further action cannot be taken in this regard.
	50 – 6575	Toyota HiAce
		In 50 – 6575 Toyota HiAce, there was a discrepancy between its registration certificate and the Chassis number. The Examiner of Motor Vehicles has stated that vehicle should be produced to the Department of Motor Traffic again and amended certificate should be obtained. Accordingly Commissioner General of Motor Traffic has been informed on 26.04.2018 to issue a new registration certificate upon completing relevant official tasks. Disposal or condemning of the vehicle cannot be made until new registration certificate is received.
	53 – 5863	Isuzu Double Cab
		With respect to 53 – 5863 Isuzu Double Cab, the Examiner of Motor Vehicles has stated that permission could not be granted to auction this vehicle with its registration certificate as its chassis had been decayed and welded again. The chassis number can be cut and registration can be cancelled and thereafter can be auctioned as disposed materials or otherwise can be given to training purposes.
	29 – 6264	Tata Bus
		For the vehicles of 29 – 6264 Tata Bus, 41 –

	41 – 3420	Tata Lorry			3420 Tata Lorry, 27 – 5984 Tata Lorry and 27 – 5985 Tata Lorry being in the disposal state, the Council’s Board approval was obtained on 28.11.2015 to auction them. The vehicles were examined by the Board of Assessors on 18.03.2015. The Examiner of Motor Vehicles had stated that permission could not be granted to auction these vehicles with their registration certificates. Accordingly it is expected to cancel the registration and auction as disposed materials or otherwise can be given to training purposes. The Examiner of Motor Vehicles took action to cut chassis numbers and cancel their registrations.
	27 – 5984	Tata Lorry			
	27 – 5985	Tata Lorry			
(b)	As at 31 December 2017, 05 vehicles being owned and used by the Council, were in repairing status for many years and parked in an open area without being repaired. Details were as follows.				
	Vehicle No.	Details	Date on which removed from running	Other facts	
	50 – 4585	Cab	27.10.2011	Received from Nerada and ownership was not held by the Council.	Although the vehicle 50-4585 was handed over to the Moneragala District Office under Moneragala Integrated Rural Development Project, the legal ownership of the vehicle is held by the Secretary, Ministry of Plan Implementation. The Project Director had informed to the National Youth service Council to transfer the ownership of the vehicle to the Council in 2016. Accordingly, relevant documents to effect the transfer were forwarded to them. But the said transfer had not been taken place properly. Therefore, the documents relevant to the transfer were referred again to the Director (Planning), District Secretariat, Moneragala in 2015. But it was not happened till 2015 and when the Council repeatedly inquire about this matter, Director (Planning) had informed us to send documents relevant to the transfer in 2015. Although relevant documents had been sent again, the transfer was not yet made. The Cab was currently parked in the Sapugaskande Training Center and the engine

					had to be repaired as it got burned due to a defect. The body of the cab had also started decaying.
	52 – 0274	Cab	06.04.2 017	-	These two cabs (52 - 0274 , 52 – 0751) were not taken for use upon obtaining new cabs on lease basis in 2017 and as per registration category these are the most oldest vehicles. These vehicles will be presented to the board to be appointed in future to auction vehicles.
	52 – 0751	Cab	03.07.2 017	-	
	56 – 7968	Cab	31.08.2 015	-	The cab bearing No. 56 - 7968 had been given to the Dambulla Training Center. Since there were defects in its injector pump and injector nozzles, those parts have been brought to the Head Office and already repaired. It is scheduled to fix those repaired components back to the vehicle and make available for use.
	62 – 2258	Bus	05.01.2 016	-	This Asia Combi bus bearing No. 62 – 2258 was a product of Korea and received as a donation to the Sapugaskande Training center. It was available for running upto 2014 and its gear box is un-repairable now. Since there wasn't any local agents, there is no possibility to obtain extra parts. Even though quotations were called to obtain prices, it had not been able to buy spare parts. To make it available for running, an engine and a gear box of another make should be reinstalled. The cost to be incurred need to be assessed and approval should be obtained.
5.	Sustainable Development				
5.1	Achieving Sustainable Development Goals				Relevant awareness activities were completed and the questionnaire on preparedness to implement Sustainable Development Goals by the State Institutions was completed and sent on 04.06.2018.
6.	Accountability and Good Governance				
6.1	Procurement and Contract Process				
6.1.1	Procurement The following observations are made.				
(a)	Painting the Gampaha District Office				
(i)	Even though it is mentioned that the market price comparison was followed, when calling quotations they were not invited from registered contractors or did not follow any acceptable method,. So it was not confirmed that selection of contractor was not done in a				It has been instructed by the Director (Planning) to all the Provincial Directors through the letter dated 20.12.2016, that in respect of all the repair works of National Youth Services Council's islandwide Provincial Offices, District Offices, Training Centers and Farm

	transparent manner.	Centers, the estimates should be prepared with the assistance of Technical Officer in the relevant Divisional Office. Then, with the recommendations of Regional Engineer, Divisional Secretary and recommendations of the Provincial Director (National Youth services Council) it should be referred to Deputy Director (Construction/ Maintenance) National Youth Services Council. (Annexure No. 16)
(ii)	In terms of the items, A-1 to A3 in the Quantity Paper, the paint should be applied after removing paint in 3,000 square feet extent and damaged places should be puttied. But during the physical examination it was revealed that pillar was applied without removing previous paint.	Having considered this matter subsequent to the audited date, a request was made to the District Secretary. Instead of the Technical officer who was engaged in supervision work previously, the said tasks were completed in proper manner according to the estimate under the guidance of District Engineer R..M.A.S.Sakunthala of District Secretariat Gampaha and under full supervision of Technical Assistant, Mr.W.P.K.N.Hemachandra. The final report certified by the District Engineer had been submitted now.
(iii)	In contrary to guideline 5.4.4 of the Procurement Guideline, an advance payment of Rs. 191,369 had been made without obtaining acceptable an advance security.	Please be informed that the said quotations had been invited under the Shopping Method as stipulated in the Procurement Guideline 5.3.111. Thus bid security was not required so that bid security was not obtained.
(iv)	Technical Evaluation Committee had not been appointed in respect of this Contract in contrary to guideline 2.8.1 (a) of the Procurement Guideline.	Part payment from the total contract price was paid subject to the work report submitted by the Technical Officer recommending the payment for Contractor with respect to commencement of work and partly completed work and required wall primers, paints and ingredients such as putties had been used in the work. Please note that no advance payment had been made.
(b)	Applying paint in the Main Office –II Phase Contract Price –Rs. 8,692,720	
	With respect to selecting a contractor for applying paint in the Main Office –II Phase a contractor had been selected in contrary to 3.2.1 of the Procurement Guidelines. It has been informed that the Shopping Method had been followed without following National Competitive Bidding Procedure through submission of forged documents. Further with respect to 08 items, there had been variation ranging from 20%-167% between the Engineering Estimate and Contractors' Estimate and consideration of the Technical Evaluation Committee and the Tender Board	The Contract Agency had submitted its bill and Audit and Management Committee of the Ministry of National policies and Economic Affairs had instructed to make the payment subject to recommendation given by an external party. Accordingly, a request was made to obtain services of a Technical Officer in the Divisional Secretariat of Maharagama. But the a Technical Officer in the Divisional Secretariat of Maharagama stated that she could not make recommendation with respect to a construction

	had not been made in this regard. During the audit test checks, the contractor had stopped the work in half way and the Council had not obtained a Performance Security in this regard.	in other institution. The payment to be made to the Contract Agency had been temporarily stopped until a specific decision is received.
6.1.2	Defeciecies in Contract Adminstration The following observations are made.	
(a)	With respect to the proposed Matatra Nilawala Youth Garden as per the Cabinet Decision No. 13/0502/639/014 dated 21 May 2013, a sum of Rs. 142,810,543 was paid by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development as compensation and interest for the land owners. The National Youth Service Council had spent Rs. 7,657,349 for construction activities including Consultant Charges as at 31 st December 2015. Due to fact that allocations had not been received, the project construction work had been stopped halfway after 31 December 2014. Further there is no evidence regarding a feasibility study done in this regard. During the physical check done on 16 th October 2017, the said land was covered with growth of trees and underbrush. Accordingly, a sum of Rs. 150,467,892 incurred as payments for this project by the Line Ministry and the Council remained as an idle expenditure.	Since allocations have not been reserved in this respect to the National Youth Services Council, it has been suggested to assign future construction of this project to the Southern Development Authority.
(b)	As per the letter No. MNPEA/YAD/03/01 dated 28 th March 2017 of the Secretary to the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs, instructions had been received to include in 2018 budget estimates, a proposal to construct a hostel and a paly ground in the Hadigama, Madangahawatta land owned by the National Youth Services Council for the benefit of youths, who comes to Colombo for various needs, to provide them with short term accommodation facilities. Even though the council had incurred Rs. 2,400,601 by 18 th September 2018 for preliminary tasks such as consultation services relevant to constructions, surveying the land and soil tests etc. the construction work had not been commenced even by 30 th June 2018. Further, the audit was informed that due to an legal matter with the Consultancy Firm, the agreement had to be canceled and action had been taken to select another Consultancy Firm.	A Consultancy Firm has already been selected and engineering estimates and building plans have also prepared relevant to this project. The approval of the Urban Development Authority has also been obtained for the proposed land Further request has been made for approval of the building application. The relevant allocations required for this construction had been submitted for approval. It is expected to select a suitable Construction Firm through a newspaper advertisement, upon receiving the total allocation required for the construction purposes.

6.1.3	Dealyed Projects	
	Even though the National Youth Services Council had obtained extensions on 02 occasions in respect of 02 projects at Rs. 141,910,758 contactable value for which constructions were commenced in 2016 and was expected to finish in 2017. Even by 30 th June 2018the said construction had not been completed and sum of Rs. 87,153,099 incurred for this work.	
	Modernization and upgrading of Dambulla Swiss Training Center	Contract Period had been extended (Time Only) due to random and natural reasons. DEVECO Architects had pointed out at site discussions that contract was getting delayed continuously. Further special committee meetings held at the site with higher officials of the Council, it had been instructed to hand over the contract upon expeditious completion. The contractor had agreed to hand over it expeditiously at every instance. As physical progress of this contract was taking place at a very slow pace and the time is also wasting, the Consultancy Agency has explained to the Council the legal provisions to effect the cancelling the contract. Accordingly future course of action need to be taken.
	Modernization and upgrading of Trincomalee Love lane Training Center (II Phase)	Contract Period had been extended (Time Only) due to random and natural reasons. MDL Associates had pointed out in site discussions that contract was getting delayed continuously. Further special committee meetings held at the site with higher officials of the council, it had been instructed to hand over the contract up on expeditious completion. The contractor had agreed to hand over it expeditiously at every instance. As physical progress of this contract was taking place at a very slow pace and the time is also wasting, the Consultancy Agency has explained to the Council the legal provisions to effect the cancelling the contract. Accordingly future course of action need to be taken.
6.2	Budgetary Control	
(a)	Whilst underutilization was observed in annual allocations made to youth development expenditure and general administration	According to the reasons (1) for the variation in the page no. 129 of the financial statement, exceeding the expenditure over allocation in the

	<p>expenditure which could made direct impact on the objectives of the National Youth Services Council, the expenditure incurred by establishment division, construction division and technical and vocational training division exceeded the allocations. Thus it was observed that annual budgetary estimates had not been utilized as an adequate strategy over financial control. Details are provided in Annexure 01.</p>	<p>establishment division was Rs. 17 Mn. As a percentage it was 1%. The reason was that new recruitments were made and accordingly relevant allowances were paid.</p> <p>It is disclosed in the audit that percentage of exceeding the expenditure over allocation in the construction division was 26%. The said expenditure was made according to the requirements of the Institution.</p> <p>Even though it is pointed out in the audit that expenditure exceeding the allocation was 109% for the Technical and Vocational Training Division, 15% unused allocation of the division was disclosed in the 128th page of the financial statements. The relevant allocation in it was Rs. 26,932,845 and the said report was prepared based only on the Treasury/ Internal Income / Ministry Allocations. Accordingly expenditure incurred from that allocation was Rs. 22,964,617 and total expenditure stood at Rs. 56,289,190 inclusive of the expenditure of outside institutions.</p>
(b)	<p>When examining the schedules of budgetary variation and expenditure summary submitted along with Financial Statements, overstating of expenditure of 02 expenditure objects totaling to Rs. 4,642,281 and understating of 04 expenditure objects totaling to Rs. 37,010,655 were observed under budgetary variation.</p>	<p>Budgetary variation was corrected. Rs. 4,327,225.89 to be included as training centers expenditure was entered as an expenditure of the technical and vocational training division by an oversight.</p>
6.3	To table the Annual Reports in Parliament	
	<p>As stipulated in the Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, the Annual Report should be table in Parliament before passing of 10 months from the relevant financial year, the Annual Report of 2016 had not been table in Parliament even by 31st July 2018.</p>	<p>Action has taken to furnish the 2016 Annual Report to the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development in order to obtain the Cabinet Approval to table the said report in Parliament.</p>
6.4	Unresolved Audit Paragraphs	
	<p>Necessary action had not been taken even by the end of the year under the review in respect of the 02 audit findings in Audit Report 2015 which had made a significant impact on the financial and administration activities of the Council and 05 audit findings in the last year Audit Report. Further it had been failed to provide complete answers in respect of action taken towards 04 audit findings.</p>	<p>Please note that the answers in this regard were submitted after the last answer of this report.</p>

7.	Systems and Controls	
	Deficiencies in systems and controls observed during the course of audit were brought to the notice of the Chairman of the Council from time to time. Special attention is needed in respect of the following areas of systems and controls.	
(a)	Procurement Establishing a proper procurement process in compliance with the Government Procurement Guidelines and thereby utilizing government money efficiently, effectively and economically.	Please be informed that forthcoming action will be taken as stipulated in the Audit Report.
(b)	Budget Control In terms of instructions provided in the Public Finance Circulars, the financial statements should be made in compliance with the Action Plan prepared and performance shall be evaluated in a timely based manner and necessary amendments need to be incorporated.	Action will be taken to make the required corrections in 2018.
(c)	Accounting Maintaining a proper accounting system in a manner that financial information are being accurately reported by adopting the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards. .	This procedure is already being followed now.
(d)	Personnel Administration Recruitments, promotions and training and development are being carried out in terms of the approved cadre and the schemes of recruitment and preparation of a human resource plan in order to accomplish organizational objectives and purposes and it shall be reviewed und updated.	Please be informed that future course of action will be taken as stipulated out.
(e)	Conducting Training Courses Recruiting and making payments to the instructors for the training programmes implemented by the Institution and designing and implementing training programmes that fulfill the needs of the present youth.	Please be informed that future course of action will be taken as stipulated out.
(f)	Asset Control Maintaining proper registers to ensure security and existence of the council's assets and taking necessary action as to the facts revealed in	Preparation of registers for the assets of the council is being underway and action is being taken to make corrections to the deficiencies

	annual boards of survey in terms of financial regulations.	disclosed from the annual board of surveys.
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Annexures 4

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NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICES COUNCIL

A. Performance of the Institution

1. Provision of Allocations

Total receipts of the National Youth Services Council during the year 2017 were realized from the General Treasury and the Ministry and other state institutions in sums amounting to Rs. 1,385.9 million and Rs. 1,263 million respectively. Of it, a sum of Rs. 1,825.7 million as recurrent expenditure and a sum of Rs. 892.3 million as development and capital expenditure have been disbursed. The National Youth Services Council during the year has earned Rs. 203.27 million through its internal avenues of income.

2. Development Programmes

The National Youth Services Council under its development programmes implemented throughout the year has conducted 13,601 domestic programmes towards the skill enhancement of youth with the participation of a host of youth numbering 917,835. The amount of money spent out for these programmes was Rs. 259.84 million. The 29th National Youth Sports Festival, the 30th Youth Services Rupavahini Volleyball Tournament and the Sports Training Camp gained prominence among the youth sports development activities undertaken during the year 2017. The National Youth Awards Competition and Awards Ceremony and the National Youth Drama Festival held under the aesthetic skills development activities were also in the limelight during the year. In addition to it, the National Youth Services Council has made arrangements to conduct diploma courses in Drama and Performing Arts, Youth Drama Shows and National Cultural Programmes.

3. Technical and Vocational Training Activities

The number of students recruited for 438 full-time and part-time training courses conducted at 49 training centers by the National Youth Services Council under its Technical and Vocational Training Activities was 22,726. Of it, students numbering 16,477 or a percentage of 72.5 have completed the courses. The National Youth Services Council has spent out a sum amounting to Rs. 70.54 million for the vocational training development during the year 2017.

4. Entrepreneurial Capacity Development

The National Youth Services Council has spent out a sum to the value of Rs. 2.6 million during the year 2017 for its programmes conducted with the objective of building the national entrepreneurial skills and 671 participants have attended 21 training programmes held for that purpose.

5. Development of Farms

The National Youth Services Council during the year 2017 has maintained and carried on 18 farming centres and conducted 14 agricultural courses at 08 of such centres. 222 male and female youth have taken part in these courses.

6. International Youth Relations

As for the Youth Exchange Programmes, the Global Youth Shipping Programme and the Regional Youth Conferences and Workshops conducted during the year 2017 concerning the aspect of International Youth Relations, youth representatives numbering 434, 12 and 72 respectively have participated. The National Youth Services Council has set the international awards programme of the Duke of Edinburgh in motion and the Council has also been successful in securing the formal license of the said programme during 2017. Furthermore, Miss Tharindra Arumapperuma has been able to have herself appointed to the International Council of this Awards Foundation representing the Asia Pacific Region for the first time.

7. Youth Parliament Programme

The Youth Parliament Programme has been in operation during the year 2017 as well with a view to providing opportunities for the young community to make government policies and gain practical experience in that process. In this exercise, the 3000 Community Development Projects Programme, "Youth with Talent" has been put into practice for the purpose of identifying the various problems faced by the people in rural and urban areas and finding solutions to them. Moreover, the National Youth Services Council during the year 2017 has implemented an extravagant entertainment programme titled "Youth with Talent Show-2017" to find out the most outstanding youth with talent and dexterity.

8. Matters relating to Cadre and Development

During the year, 149 officers have been recruited to the permanent cadre of the National Youth Services Council anew. Steps were also taken to conduct 46 officer training programmes for 3,183 personnel and 06 capacity building programmes for 116,930 personnel disbursing a sum of Rs. 10.07 million during 2017.

9. Construction Work

Apart from this, the National Youth Services Council has also initiated action to implement 27 construction and renovation projects investing Rs. 900 million of Ministry provisions and 03 projects investing Rs. 80 million of provisions received under the Sectorial Programme on Skills during the year 2017.

B. Short-term and Midterm Measures

The short-term and midterm measures expected to be followed in the future for the enhancement of the Institution's performance are as shown below.

1. Short-term Measures

1. To identify the talents of officers and their due placement
2. To work in collaboration with private, governmental and non-governmental local and foreign organizations
3. To launch programmes towards the development of knowledge and skills (Sports, Artistic Talent, Vocational Training etc.) of the young generation joining hands with the National Youth Services Council
4. To provide updated training, technological knowhow and facilities required for economic empowerment
5. To foster mutual understanding and leadership development among the young generation through cultural, educational and political fields

2. Mid - term Measures

1. To develop technological systems necessary for productive employees
2. To make available training opportunities to bring forth a skilled panel of staff by way of welfare, motivational and developmental measures
3. To modernize the administrative structure
4. To modernize the ongoing programmes in tandem with the nationally and internationally introduced new programmes for the development of the young talents
5. To take necessary steps to empower the economy of the young community
6. To inculcate the Sri Lankan dignity among the youth of Sri Lanka

Annexures 5

C. Matters pertaining to Audit Queries

Measures taken and expected to be taken in the future by the National Youth Services Council for the rectification of matters pointed out by the audit queries raised in connection with the year 2017 are as follows.

Audit Query No.	Audit Query and Matters raised by the said query	Corrective Measures and Actions supposed to be taken in the future
VTY/A/NYSC/2016/05	Investigation on procurement of fingerprint machines	<p>At the time of drafting the answer to the audit query, it has been reported that 54 fingerprint machines have already been installed and another 06 machines to be installed.</p> <p>Taking into account the already installed machines, the supplier has been informed regarding non-functioning machines due to non-inclusion of software, non-functioning machines even though required software has been installed, inability to obtain attendance reports from certain machines, breakdown of machines due to thunder, other breakdown machines etc. and requested to repair them.</p> <p>The relevant officers have been advised to take remedial measures to rectify the shortcomings of the procurement process as stipulated in the audit query.</p>
අඩි/විවි.වි/06/2016/02	Internal Audit Examination Reports - 2016	Further action regarding the ten (10) internal audit examination reports stipulated in the audit query has already been completed.
VTY/A/NYSC/2016/08	Purchasing of tablet computers under Youth Parliament Programme (Cost - Rs. 15,859,500/-)	<p>An order was placed on 29.12.2015 to purchase tablet computers by utilizing allocations made through expenditure head of presents and awards of the Performance and Evaluation Division and allocations made by the Ministry for the Youth Parliament Programme in 2015.</p> <p>Instructions were given to minimize the shortcomings stipulated in respect of procurement process followed in purchasing</p>

		tablet computers.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2016/09	Audit of the Development Programmes implemented under 'Youth got Talent' Programme in Trincomalee	The Provincial Director (Eastern Province) has been informed to submit a detailed report to ascertain the expenditure incurred on projects as pointed out in the audit query. He has been further instructed to make due consideration on these aspects.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2016/10	Purchasing of T-Shirts for 'Yowun Puraya' National Programme in 2016 (Cost - Rs. 9,973,220/-)	Due to the fact that the 'Yowun Puraya' National Programme has been re-implemented after a lapse of several years, there was not sufficient time to streamline procurement requirements along with the programme schedule. There was a failure to allocate sufficient time to publish procurement notices in newspapers. With respect to the ordered 13,500 t-shirts, there had not been sufficient time to call quotations, awarding the order and completion of the order etc. Thus, it is observed that shortcomings stipulated in the audit query had been encountered.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2016/11	Procurement of computers to Training Centres of National Youth Services Council under the Sectoral Skills Development Programme (Rs.35,414,531/-)	The Shopping method was followed taken into account the time period from 13.10.2015 to the year end because the allocations made for procurement of computers under the Sectoral Skills Development Programme should have to be completed within the year 2015. Instructions were given to minimize the shortcomings stipulated in respect of procurement of computers.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2016/13	Performance relating to Sectoral Skills Development Programme	Even though approval has been granted to complete the work of 10 centres by the end of 2016 in the initial plan, modernization of only 06 centres are underway subject to the allocations provided in this regard. It has been planned to complete modernization of 04 remaining centres in line with disbursement of allocations for the said purpose.

VTY/A/ NYSC/20 16/03	Obtaining Janitorial Services	As of now, remedial action has already been taken in respect of not entering into agreements in proper manner towards obtaining services in the year 2015.
VTY/A/ NYSC/20 16/06	Audit on reporting to duty by the officer of the Cultural Division	Explanations were called from the officers concerned and advised them to not to resort such action in future.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2016/12	Financial Audit -2016	As mentioned in the audit query, action was taken to make necessary disclosures in the financial statements in terms of the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards. Action was taken to rectify the erroneous calculation of allocation for gratuity payments. Other accounting deficiencies were rectified through notes to the financial statements.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/01	Investigation on approved cadre of the National Youth Services Council and promotion procedure.	Action was taken to obtain the Ministry approval for recruiting officers to the vacant positions in the Council.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/02	Audit on the National Diploma Course on Television Programme Production Technology	Action was taken to obtain NVQ certification for National Diploma Course on Television Programme Production Technology. Accordingly, necessary action on accreditation has been completed and action has been taken to conduct courses according to the relevant curricula.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/03	Audit on the Music Diploma Course	Action is being taken to obtain NVQ certification for the music courses conducted in the Aesthetic Centres at Belwood, Maharagama and Eraminiyaya.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/04	National Diploma on Television Programme Production 2016 - Examination of expenditure incurred for teledrama	Action has been taken to resolve the matter upon obtaining explanations from the officers relevant to the matters raised in the audit query.

	production.	
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/05	Non-utilization of the land at Hadigama Madangahawatta which has been handed over to the Council.	Even though a Consultation Firm had been selected to construct a Youth Centre in the Hadigama Madangahawatta land, required allocations were not received. Action has been taken to commence it in 2018.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/07	Loss incurred to the government due to the failure of the Council on their part for not taking necessary disciplinary action against an Assistant Youth Services Officer (EPF No. 3039) for his unsatisfactory service.	Action has already been taken to rectify the calculation error.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/08	Control over the no-pay leave	Office Memo bearing No. ඊටී/1/122-1/ජ්රකා dated 29.12.2017 had been issued regarding administration of no-pay leave.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/09	Investigation on painting of the District Office in Gampaha.	Subsequent to action taken to make aware the District Engineer of the District Office in Gampaha on shortcomings in the construction work stipulated in the query, the final report was submitted upon completion of all the work pertinent to the estimate under his close supervision. Instructions were given to the officers concerned to rectify the shortcomings in the procurement process as stipulated in the audit query.
VTY/A/ NYSC/ 2017/06	Painting of the Head Office Building (Contract Value - Rs. 13,719,940/-)	Instruction has been given in order to make the payment to the bill furnished by the Contractor in respect of the contract for painting the head office building subject to the recommendations of the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs.

		<p>Accordingly, a request has been made to obtain the services of a Technical Officer at the Divisional Secretariat of Maharagama. The payment to the bill has temporarily been halted until the recommendations to be received in this regard.</p>
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