



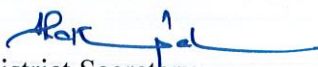



**Submission of Observations and the steps taken regarding the standing Order No.119 (4) tabled by the Parliamentary Committee on Public accounts to the Parliament**

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**District Secretariat: Batticaloa.**

<b>Shortcomings identified by the Committee</b>	<b>Action taken by the Accounting Officers</b>	<b>Present Progress</b>
Limitations imposed by parliament with regard to the respective purpose of the advance had not been complied with.	As per the PA circular No 07/2020 dated 26.03.2020 the loan recoveries had not been made from officers for two months period. Therefore the maximum limit of debit balance had been increased. Due to this situation, we had sent the application to the Ministry of Home affairs on 31.12.2020 and Secretary to the Ministry of Home Affairs sent the application with the recommendation to Budget Department on 19.04.2021 for revision the maximum limit of debit balance. But not grant the approval for revising limit that time.	We have got the approval for 2021 on time for revising the maximum limit of debit balance.
The website that is maintained by the institution does not provide an opportunity for the public to lodge complaints or to give commendations.	The opportunity for public to lodge the complaints or to give the commendation has been created in our website.	The complaint or commendation are received via google form through our website.

  
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## **Recommendation of the Secretary**

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Measures taken by the District Secretary are recommended and instructions have been given to District Secretaries to pay personal attention on the other shortcomings pointed out and to take corrective measures regarding them.



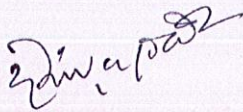
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## **Recommendation of the Minister and the Action taken**

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Instruction have been given by me to the Ministry Secretary to take necessary steps by paying special attention on the instructions given to the District Secretary by the Committee on Public Accounts, to ensure that such shortcomings may not occur again and it is expected that the such measures would enable the provable level to reach the optimum level within the year 2023.



Hon.Dinesh Gunawardena.(M.P)  
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Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs,  
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