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Secretaries to Ministries
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**Providing relief to Public Officers considering the situation arisen due to
COVID 19**

Section 02 of Public Administration Circular 07/2020 dated 26.03.2020 issued on the above subject will be revised in the following manner as per the instructions of the Presidential Task Force appointed by an order issued by H.E. the President to ensure the supply of goods, services, and other facilities without interruption and carry out supervision and relevant follow up action, which are required to ensure that the civilian life moves on without any hindrance during the period of eliminating the COVID 19 from Sri Lanka.

“02. Action will be taken to pay the salary of April 2020 on 08th April 2020 and further the festival advance for Sinhala and Tamil New Yare will be paid only to those, who serve on casual or substitute basis, taking in to consideration the exceptional situation prevailing at present.”

02. Further Heads of all institutions should take action to pay daily wages to the employees, who were serving in Government Institutions on Casual or Substitute basis by the date on which the period of special leave has been commenced for public officers with a view to control the spread of COVID 19, only for special leave granted up to the dates, on which the salaries for April and May are to be paid to the permanent public officers, on the supposition that those employees have reported also for duty on the days declared as special leave during the said period, even though they have not reported for duty after the date of commencement of the aforesaid special leave.

03. This Circular is issued on the instructions of the Presidential Secretariat and with the concurrence of General Treasury.

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