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<u>Providing relief to officers in Grade III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service</u> <u>recruited from 01.03.2006 to 01.07.2007 for acquiring proficiency</u> <u>in Other Official Language</u>

You are hereby informed that Public Service Commission has decided to provide salary increments up to 16.10.2023 for officers in Grade III of Sri Lanka Administrative Service recruited from 01.03.2006 to 01.07.2007 disregarding their inability to acquire the proficiency in other official language (Second language) on the prescribed date as per the letter of appointment.

02. You are further informed that Public Service Commission has decided to take action in the following manner with regard to the officers, who acquire the proficiency in Tamil/ Sinhala language as per Public Administration Circular No: 22/2016 after the prescribed date.

- I. Delaying the promotions relevant to Grade II by a period equivalent to the additional period taken to acquire the proficiency in other official language (Second language) from the date prescribed in Public Administration Circular No: 22/2016, when granting grade promotions up to 31.12.2017, the date on which interim provisions of the Minute of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service come into effect.
- II. Action shall be taken considering an officer, who acquires proficiency in other official language (Second language) before 16.10.2023, as an officer who has fulfilled the relevant requirement as at 01.01.2018, when granting grade promotions after 31.12.2017, the closing date of the interim provisions of the Minute of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service.
- 03. This circular is issued with the concurrence of Public Service Commission.

Sgd/ J.J. Rathnasiri Secretary Ministry of Public Services, Provincial Councils and Local Government