

Public Administration Circular : 09/2025(I)

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Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial
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Secretaries to Ministries
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Heads of Corporations and Statutory Boards

Formalizing Solid Waste Management Activities in Government Institutions

Your attention is drawn to Public Administration Circular 09/2025 dated 02.04.2025 issued on the above matter.

02. Sub-section 2.1.2 of the said circular is hereby amended as follows:

- 2.1.2 (a) Accordingly, the purchase and use of single-use plastic water bottles in all government institutions must be completely discontinued with effect from 31.05.2026.
- (b) All heads of institutions must take necessary measures to prevent the use of single-use plastics within their institutions that have been prohibited by the following Gazettes:
- i. Gazette Extraordinary of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka No. 2341/30 dated 19.07.2023
 - ii. Gazette Extraordinary of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka No. 2034/37 dated 01.09.2017

03. Furthermore, the other provisions mentioned in the Public Administration Circular 09/2025 issued on 02.04.2025 shall continue to be in force.

04. This circular is issued with the concurrence of the Ministry of Environment.

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