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Proclamations &c., by the President

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA



MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA.

TO all to whom these presents shall come I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Head of the state, Head of the Executive and of the Government and Commander- In- Chief of the Armed Forces.

Since it is my desire to award a medal to all ranks of the Police Service and Police Reserve Service in the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka in commemoration of Golden Jubilee of Independence day anniversary in Sri Lanka, I now hereinafter formulate order and establish rules and regulations that should be complied with as inviolate in order to control such activity.

- Firstly* : Proper name and introduction - This medal shall be prescribed to the Cited as Commemorative Medal of 50th Anniversary of Independence.
- Secondly* : Definition- The Medal should be designed in round shape from Cupric Nickel and its front side should represent by bar relief the rise of new era in the country by radiating sun with three circles of sun rays and in the centre of the radiating sun there should be three circles to represent the Major ethnic group and minor ethnic groups. On South East direction of radiating sun no 50 should be indicated to symbolize 50 years of sovereignty and on the reverse of the Medal should represent state emblem of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.
- Thirdly* : Ribbon - It is ordained that the Medal Shall be worn on the left breast suspended from a ribbon 3 cm. in length of which the center part from the left shall consist of three stripes of the colour of saffron, dark blue and light blue of 01 mm. in width respectively, with two dark red stripes of 02 mm. in width placed on either side with two gold coloured stripes on either side of the dark red stripes.

- Fourthly* : Eligibility - The Medal shall be awarded to all ranks of the Police officers including Reservist Police Officers who were in active service as at the fourth day of February, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Eight and who are recommended by the Inspector General of Police.
- Fifthly* : Registration- It is ordained that the names of all those whom the Medal is awarded shall be published in the Police Gazette and register of such names shall be maintained under the direction of the Inspector General of Police.
- Sixthly* : Order of Wear- It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which orders Decorations and Medals shall be worn, the 50th Independence Anniversary Commemoration Medal shall be worn after all awards for gallantry and Distinguished conduct.
- Seventhly* : Miniatures-It is ordained that reproductions in miniature known as Miniature Medals which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be approximately half the size of the award and a sealed pattern of the Miniature Medal shall be kept in the Police Headquarters.
- Eightly* : Forfeiture and Restoration - It is ordained that His Excellency the President may cancel and annual the award of the Medal to any person, but it shall be competent for him to restore an award so forfeited under the Regulations hereinafter made. The notice of cancellation or restoration of every case shall be published in the Police Gazette.

Given at the President's house on 01st August, 2007 under the Public seal of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

By order of His Excellency the President,

Lalith Weeratunga,
Secretary to the President.

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Government Notifications

COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL OF 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDANCE

AS described in the Provisions in the President's instrument regulations made by His Excellency the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka relating to award, deprivation, re-award of Commemorative Medal of 50th Anniversary of Independence and other matters connected therewith.

By order of His Excellency the President,

Lalith Weeratunga,
Secretary to the President.

Colombo,
01st August, 2007.

Regulations Pertaining to commemorative Medals of the 50th Anniversary of Independence

1. This medal shall be awarded to all rankers of the Police Service and Police Reserve Service who had been engaged in the active service as at the fourth of February One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Eight and recommended as eligible for the award of medal by the Inspector General of Police.

2. The following categories of persons in the Police Service and Police Reserve Service are not eligible for the award of medals.

- (a) Those who had been absent without leave and had vacated their posts as at 04th February, 1998.
- (b) Those who had been lethargic, had caused self injuries by themselves or neglected duties deliberately.

3. In case of award of medal for a dead person, only the lawful next of kin of the awardee or a person nominated by such next of kin shall receive the medal.

4. Number, rank and full names of the person recommended shall be furnished with every recommendation.

5. The names of the awardees of medals shall be published in the Police Gazette.

6. Every officer who has been discharged or dismissed from the Police Service or Police Reserve Service or who has been ordered to resign or retire from Police Service shall forfeit the medal awarded unless otherwise directed by His Excellency the President.

7. All rankers of the Police Service or Police Reserve Service who have been dismissed disgracefully and discredibly shall forfeit the medal unless otherwise directed by His Excellency the President.

8. If a Police Officer who has been awarded the medal is found to be guilty of any offence referred to hereafter, viz., in an instance where officer is found to be guilty of a disgraceful offence as a result of misconduct under the Police Disciplinary Code and if he has vacated his post or has been convicted of any offence under the Criminal Procedure Code, he shall be deprived of the medal unless otherwise directed by His Excellency the President.

9. His Excellency the President at his discretion may re-award the medal to any person who has been deprived of it.

10. Every deprivation or re-award shall be published in the Police Gazette.

11. If it is expected to obtain a new one for a lost medal, such loss shall be complained to the police. such complaint made to the O.I.C. at Police Station together with the circumstances under which the medal was lost. He shall report this complaint to the DIG through SP of the respective Division. If the reasons adduced for the loss one accepted as satisfactory, a new medal can be obtained on payment of money.

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