

Public Administration Circular: 8/2015

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Ministry of Public Administration,  
Provincial Councils, Local  
Government and Democratic  
Governance  
Independence Square  
Colombo 07  
30.03.2015

All Secretaries of Ministries  
Heads of Departments  
Heads of Provincial Councils and Local Government  
Heads of State Corporations and Statutory Boards

**Special Committee for Investigation into Malpractices in Public Service  
related to Elections**

The special committee mentioned above has been appointed by Hon. Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance with the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers to investigate into malpractices in public service related to election which have been reported before and after Presidential Election 2015.

02. A specimen of a notification prepared for making aware the people in this regard and also granting an opportunity for them to submit their information to the Committee is attached herewith. You are hereby requested to display the above notification on a notice board at your office preparing it in the size of 15''X20''.

03. You are kindly requested to provide following facilities to the members of the above committee or investigation officers serving under the committee enabling them to obtain relevant information, if they visit your institution to investigate into a certain complaint.

I. Issuing the copies of certain documents in a file maintained at your office certifying them by a staff officer indicating the words "True Copy" in case where they are required.

II. Taking necessary actions to ensure the protection of the files investigated as mentioned in I above

III. Providing relevant files by making a written entry in this regard in case where it is necessary for the Committee members and investigation officers to take a certain file, maintained under the institution, under their custody.

IV. Providing required facilities to record a statement of an officer serving under your institution regarding a certain matter wherever it is necessary.

V. Providing required facilities to the committee members/ investigation officers for site inspections at your institution in connection to the investigations wherever it is necessary.

04. You are kindly requested to take necessary actions for making Heads of all institutions under you aware of the provisions indicated in this circular.

05. Cooperation extended by you to make the role of the Special Committee for Investigation into Malpractices in Public Service related to Elections a reality and also to ensure the environment for free and fair elections is highly appreciated.

Sgd/ J. Dadallage  
Secretary  
Ministry of Public Administration, Provincial Councils,  
Local Government and Democratic Governance

## Notification

**“Let us shoulder the responsibility to ensure a free and fair election for the benefit of the people”**

A special Committee has been appointed by the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance with the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers to investigate the complaints in connection with the following matters reported before and after the Presidential election.

1. Misuse of government resources by public institutions for propaganda activities
2. Misuse of public property for election activities
3. Misuse of public money for the election
4. Making public officers engaged in political activities and self engagement in the same
5. Other malpractices in relation to the above election

You can submit information, if any, with regard to any of the matters mentioned above to the following address on or before 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

Chairman

Special Committee for Investigation into Malpractices in Public Service related to Elections

Investigations and Operations Division

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