### Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation - 2019

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### 1.1 Qualified Opinion

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The audit of the financial statements of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation ("Corporation") for the year ended 31 December 2019 comprising the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019 and the statement of income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with provisions of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 and Finance Act No. 38 of 1971. My comments and observations which I consider should be furnished to the Parliament appear in this report.

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in the paragraph 1.5 of this report, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Corporation as at 31 December 2019, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

### **1.2 Basis for Qualified Opinion**

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My opinion is qualified based on the matters described in the paragraphs 1.5 and 1.6 of this report. I conducted my audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). My responsibilities, under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

# **1.3** Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

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Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Corporation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Corporation's financial reporting process.

As per Section 16(1) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the Corporation is required to maintain proper books and records of all its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities, to enable annual and periodic financial statements to be prepared of the Corporation.

### 1.4 Auditor's Responsibility on the Financial Statements

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My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Corporation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

The scope of the audit also extended to examine as far as possible and as far as necessary the following;

- Whether the organization, systems, procedures, books, records and other documents have been properly and adequately designed from the point of view of the presentation of information to enable a continuous evaluation of the activities of the Corporation and whether such systems, procedures, books, records and other documents are in effective operation;
- Whether the Corporation has complied with applicable written law, or other general or . special directions issued by the governing body of the Corporation;
- Whether the Corporation has performed according to its powers, functions and duties; and
- Whether the resources of the Corporation had been procured and utilized economically, efficiently and effectively within the time frames and in compliance with the applicable laws.

#### 1.5 **Financial Statements**

### 1.5.1 Non-Compliance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standard

Non Compliance with the reference to the Management Comment particular Standard Contrary to the section 32 of the Sri Both debit and credit Provisions shown (a) Lanka Accounting Standards 1, the entries are included in the in the Accounting

- debit balances arisen due to agency accounting errors amounting to account because Rs.5, 955,978 had been set off is account payable against the agency commission of Rs. 101,782,470 and as a result, the payable balance of the net value agency commission had been shown in the financial statements asRs.95. 826,492.
- Contrary to the section 9 of the Sri (b) Lanka Accounting Standards 2, stocks amounting to Rs. 204,516,673 had been shown at the cost in the financial statements without estimating the net realizable Actions will be taken to value. A balances of unusable stock remove of toner of Rs.346,198 and nonmoving stock of CDs and toner

commission this followed. a control account. Hence the debit or credit balance appear as

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Recommendation

Standard should be

This stock was only for Provisions shown consumption and therefore in the Accounting Standard should be not net followed.

amounting to Rs. 80,432 had been included in the said stock.

- Although 10 cases had been filed in (c) the Courts by different parties requesting compensation ofRs. 844,120,000, it had not been disclosed in the financial statements as per the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards 37.
- Contrary to the paragraph 118 (C) (d) of the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards 38, net value of the intangible assets had been shown in the financial statement instead of the cost of those assets and cumulative amortization value had not been disclosed as well.
- According to the Sri Lanka (e) Accounting Standards 39. investment made in the Lanka Puwath Ltd. amounting to Rs. 1,104,000 had been shown at the cost in the financial statements and actions had not been taken to identify the increase or decrease of the investment and to make relevant adjustments in the financial statements.
- (f) According to the Sri Financial Reporting Standards 13, actions had not been taken to revalue and show the fair value of the assets which had been purchased at Rs. 3,315,949,586 and fully depreciated but still in use, in the financial statements.

disposal activities taken place in future.

The number of cases and Provisions shown the value were shown under the note 3.11 contingent liabilities in the followed. page 12.

details These were shownunder the No. xxxviii of the schedules in the pages 157 and 158 of followed. the financial statements and it was done in order to submit the financial statements summarily.

The value of the investment was shown under the historical cost method because the Lanka followed. Puwath is not in operation at present and the investment could not be calculated to the fair value.

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Provisions shown in the Accounting Standard should be followed.

### **1.5.2** Accounting policies

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# Audit Issue

Although a sum of Rs. 100 million had been received to the Corporation as financial grants in November 2018, it had not been amortized in that year and vehicle valued at Rs. 11.5 million which had been received in the year 2016 as grants had been amortized since the date of which it was received. Policies followed by the Corporation for amortization of grants had not been disclosed in the notes to the financial statements and as a result, accuracy of amortization could not be examined.

### Management comment

-----Vehicles valued at Rs. 11.5 million was received as grants in the year 2016 and it was amortized in that vear. However the sum of Rs. 100 million received in the year 2018 was for purchasing assets and such assets should be purchased from foreign institutions. It will take some times to follow the methodology in this regard. Therefore such assets were amortized in the year 2019.

### Recommendation

Accounting policy for amortization should be disclosed and amortization should be done accordingly.

### **1.5.3** Accounting deficiencies

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# Audit Issue

- Transactions of a bank savings (a) belong to account the Corporation had been shown as an investing activity in the cash flow statement. As a result a deference of Rs.1.097.793had been observed between the bank and cash balance of the financial position statement and the cash and cash equivalent of the cash flow statement as at the end of the year under review.
- (b) Cheques over 6 months valued at Rs. 14,380,324 had not been cancelled. As a result the overdraft balance of the cash book had been overstated by Rs. 14,380,324 and the balance of creditors had been understated by the same amount.

## Management Comment

Being shown the value remained in the bank savings account as a deposit since number of years under the investment of the cash flow statement of the financial statements.

# Recommendation

This error should be corrected because bank account balances are considered as cash and cash equivalent when preparing cash flow statement.

Not replied

Relevant cheques should be cancelled and the balance of the cash book and the creditors should be revised. (c) Equipment valued atRs. 75,167,126 had been purchased by the Corporation during the year 2019 for Rehabilitation Channel using the Government Grant ofRs. 100 million which had been received to the Corporation in the year 2018. However amortization had been made on the total Government Grant of Rs 100 million instead of calculating amortization on the value of equipment purchased. As a result, other income had been overstated by Rs. 13,454,279 and the Government Grant had been understated by the same amount.

When purchasing assets and equipment, the tax free value of them was capitalized as the value of assets and equipment. However amortization had been done to the relevant value of the total grant received.

Only the value of equipment should be capitalized and amortization should be calculated on that amount.

### **1.5.4** Unreconciled Control Accounts or Records

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Audit Issue	Management Comment	Recommendation
According to the financial statements the accumulated depreciation was Rs.	Not replied	Adjustments should be done after verifying
3,613,433,155 and according to the subsidiary records it was Rs. 3,600,481,742. Thus a difference of Rs. 12,951,413 was observed.		reasons for the difference

### 1.5.5 Going Concern of the Organization

Audit Issue		
The net assets of the Corporation had		
decreased continuously from the year		
2015 to 2017 and increased in the		
year 2018 and decreased in the year		
2019. Therefore it was observed that		
the going concern of the Corporation		
without a financial assistance of the		
Treasury or Government is uncertain.		

Management Comment

Not replied

Recommendation

A favorable financial management should be implemented.

Item	Amount Rs.	Evidence not available	Management comments	Recommendation
a) Agency Commission payable	95,826,492	Age Analysis	It can be submitted in the next year	Confirmation should be supplied as evidence.
b) Unrecoverable balances of debtors	80,062,377	Confirmations to be proved that it could not be recovered.	Not replied	Reasons to identify debtors as non- recoverable should be mentioned clearly.
c) Investments in Lanka Puwath)	1,104,000	Share Certificates	Not replied	Share certificates should be submitted.

### **1.5.6** Documentary Evidences not made available for Audit

### **1.6** Receivable and payable Accounts

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## **1.6.1** Receivable Accounts

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### Audit issue

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- (a) According to the credit policy of the Corporation, even though the period of credit is one month, the balance of debtors exceeding such period of time was Rs. 414,301,517 represented 80 per cent of the total debtors. Out of that, the debtor balance exceeding 5 years was Rs. 83,401,301 represented 16 per cent of the total debtors.
- (b) Out of the total balance of debtors as at 31 December 2019, a sum of Rs. 260,810,285 representing 50 per cent had consisted with 24 agreements entered into with 14 debtors valued over 5 million. Out of the said balance, even though legal actions had been taken to

# Management comment

Although the credit recovery period was mentioned as a one month, other competitors in the field are given a period more than two months for recovering debts. Hence the corporation had to follow such a method.

The matter in connection with recovering of Rs. 10 million was referred to the instructions of the Department of Attorney General and instructions were received to have a solution through a

# Recommendation

Actions should be taken to make recoveries from debtors without delay, to enact fines on the delayed period and to take legal actions without delay.

Actions should be taken to recover the debt without delay.

recover Rs. 10 million which should be recovered from the National Savings Bank relating to an agreement entered into with in the year 2014, it was observed that the recoverability is uncertain due unavailability to of formal agreement.

discussion because the both institutions are government institutions. Accordingly actions were taken to refer to the Ministry of Mass Media for further actions. In the meeting headed by the Secretary to the Ministry of Mass Media, a higher officer of rank the Savings Bank had told that, payments could not be done because this activity had not beendone with a written approval of the Bank.

- (c) Legal actions could not be proceededin connection with 05 debtors valued at Rs. 1,382,015 due to unavailability of formal agreements and customers and their addresses could not be found. Hence 100 per cent impairment had been done during the year under review.
- (d) Out of the debtor balance of Rs. 518,315,788 recoverable as at 31 December of the year under review, the balance of which five years had exceeded was Rs. 83,401,301 and legal actions had been taken to recover only Rs. 21,590,763 represented 25 per cent.
- A sum of Rs. 21,461,907 which (e) was approved by the Board of Directors to write off due to the institution was closed, fact that, there was not enough amount to be recovered, it has expired or over scheduling was included in the

Not replied

should Actions be taken to recover the debt without delay.

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Special attention will be Actions should taken to recover the paid to recover the debts further. debt without delay.

Actions will be taken to Necessary actions inquire from the should be taken to Department of Public settle the balances. Enterprises again.

debtor balance of Rs. 518,315,788 as at 31 December 2019. The permission of the Department of Public Enterprises had been requested for writing off the said balance on 24 August 2016 and however follow up actions had not been taken in this regard.

- (f) According to the Section 11 of the Prescription Act No: 68 of 1969, even though the period of 6 years had expired, actionshad not been taken to proceed legal actions to recover a sum of Rs. 72,679,947 from 114 debtors before the debt transactions expires.
- (g) Balance confirmations had not been called from the debtors to confirm the balance of Rs. 518,315,788 as at 31 December 2019.

Sending confirmation letters was delayed a bit to confirm the balances as at 31 December 2019 and those letters were sent already at the

moment.

Not replied

Actions should be taken to recover the debt without delay.

Balance confirmations should be called for all debtors.

### **1.6.2** Payable Accounts

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### Audit Issue

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A credit balance of Rs. 3,520,954 relating to contra deal for the years 2014 and 2015 had been included in the credit balance of Rs. 19,598,603 as at 31 December 2019. Agreements had not been signed with the clients relating to the said transactions and those clients could not be able to claim. The ability of taking such amount to the revenue had not been considered.

### Management comment

Actions will be taken to credit such balances to the revenue after expiring 06 years because the legal rights to claim will loss. Actions should be taken to credit the balances which loss the right to claim to

the revenue.

Recommendation

Reference to Laws, Rules, Regulations and Management Decisions etc.		Non - compliance Rs.	Management comment	Recommendation	
(a)	<ul> <li>Financial Regulations of the Democratic Socialist republic of Sri Lanka</li> <li>(i) F.R. 155</li> <li>Replies had not been received for 26 audit quires issued during the period from the year 2016to the year 2019.</li> <li>(ii) Section (2) (b) of Financial Regulation 371 amended by the Public Finance Circular No.03/2015 dated 14 July 2015</li> </ul>		Actions will be taken as soon as possible to reply all audit queries which were not replied.		
	• Ad hoc imprests had been given in 12 instances exceeding the maximum imprest limit of Rs. 100,000 which can be given in one instance.	6,944,462	C		
	• Advances issued in 12 instances amounting to Rs. 3,075,650 for the programme of Sirilakapiriaurudusiri had been settled in a delay of 02 to 192 days.	3,075,650	Although the maximum amount of advances which can be given in one instance was Rs. 100,000 as per the Public Circular, it has to be issued		

## 1.7 Non - compliance with Laws, rules, Regulations and Management Decisions etc.

		advances exceeding the said limit due to the nature of the work of the Corporation. The approval of the Board of Directors was obtained in this regard and it was referred to the General Treasury for approval.	
(iii) F.R. 396 When the validity period of a cheque is expired thatcheque should be cancelled and the amount should be taken into accounts as a payable credit. However actions had not been taken accordingly in connection with cheques cancelled relating to the period from the year 2013 to the year 2019.	44,388,037	The value of suchcheques was mentioned under the current liabilities of the financial position statement as a total.	taken as per the
Public Enterprises Circulars (i) Circular No. PED/04 dated 01 January 2003Circular No. PED/58 dated 29 April 2011 and Circular No. PED 03/2015 dated 17 June 2015			
Without considering the provisions of the circular, in addition to the	3,223,064	It was observed that the monthly allowance of the	taken as per the

(b)

Chairman was not Circular.

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had been approved by the Board Decision No. 759.07.00 (i) for the Chairmen of the Corporation since 07 September 2010 and it had been paying monthly up to now since then.		30,000 is being paid since 01.10. 2010 with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Corporation.	
<ul><li>(ii) Circular No. PED 01/2015 dated 25 May 2015</li></ul>			
• Paragraph 2.3 Transport and fuel allowanceshad been paid for 137 officers who were in MM and JM categories and not entitled to the fuel and transport allowances	10,208,104	This privilege had been received since the commencement of the Corporation and it was paid continuously. Action will be taken to obtain the proper approval after having a discussion with the General Treasury.	taken as per the provisions of the
<ul> <li>Paragraph 3.2 Without a proper approval, fuelhad been obtained as3547 liters by the Chairperson and the Director General and 447 liters by Working Director and the Director (Marketing)employ ed in the Corporation in the year 2019.</li> </ul>	645,422	Board of Directors	provisions of the

- Public Administration (c) Circulars
  - (i) Circular No. 26/90 dated 18 May 1990 Although liquor should be served not at Government functions, a cocktail reception had been conducted in the programme of NawyakaranayeAbhiman galya held in Colombo Hilton Hotel.Further the Government procurement Procedure had not been followed for selecting the hotel for the programme.

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(ii) Assets and Liabilities Act of National State Council No. 01 of 1975 amended by the Act No.74 of 1998.

Expresses of assets and liabilities had not been given by 11 executive officers who should submit express of assets and liabilities for the year 2018/2019.

conducted as а media institute when competing with other competitors in the same field.

Functions had to be Actions should be taken as per the provisions of the Circular.

Out of 11 officers. Actions should be 3 officers had taken to resigned from the obtainExpresses of service and assets and reminders were liabilities per the sent other Act. to officers.

#### 1.8 **Cash Management**

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### **Audit Issue** \_\_\_\_\_

The approved overdraft limit had been exceeded relating to two bank conducted accounts by the Corporation and a sum of Rs. 36,540,437 had been paid as interests for overdrafts during the year under review.

### **Management Comment** -----

It is mentioned that the interest for overdraft had to be paid for the overdraft balance remained in the bank and not for the balance shown in the cash book.

### Recommendation

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Bank overdraft should be maintained as not to be exceeded the limit.

### 2. Financial Review

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## 2.1 Financial Results

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The operating result of the year under review was a loss of Rs. 501,164,672 and the corresponding profit in the preceding year was Rs. 188,800,669. Therefore a deterioration amounting to Rs. 689,965,341 of the financial result was observed. The Grant amounting to Rs. 479,000,000 received from the Government for the previous year had mainly effected to this deterioration.

### 2.2 Trend Analysis of major Income and Expenditure items

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When analysing the financial results of the year under review and4 proceeding years, eventhough the loss for the year 2015 had decreased gradually and had become to a profit of Rs. 188,800,669 in the year 2018, it had become to a loss of Rs. 501,164,672 in the year 2019. However after adjusting the personal emoluments, Government taxes and depreciation for non-current assets to the financial result, the contribution of the Corporation for the year 2018 was Rs. 1,325,002,743 and it had decreased downto Rs.870, 837,284 that by 34 per cent as at the end of the year under review.

### 2.3 Ratio Analysis

Ratio	2019	2018	2017	2016
Gross profit ratio (percentage)	1	13	17	17
Net profit ratio(percentage)	(27)	11	(10.9)	(13.6)
Current ratio (turns)	1	2	1.67	1.98
Quick ratio (turns)	1	1	1.40	1.62

It was observed that the gross profit ratio and the net profit ratio of the Corporation had decreased in the year under review and the current ratio was decreasing gradually.

### 3. **Operational Review**

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### 3.1 Management Inefficiencies

	Audit Issue	Management comment	Recommendation
(a)	The legal right of the high valued building and land 8 acers in extent located in BouddhalokaMawatha Colombo 7 of which the head	to the Ministry to take actions according to the	obtained and that value should be taken into

office of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation is conducted in about 38 years since its establishment of the year 1982 had not been transferred to the Corporation and actions had not been taken to disclose the value of the said property in financial statements.

regard by letters dated 24.02.2016, 09.05. 2018 and 16. 07. 2020, the said discussion was not conducted up to now. Hence further actions could not be taken.

- (b) Seventeen cases had been filed by external parties against to the Corporation due to the reasons such as violation of human rights a live programme being as stopped in halfway, tax payable to the Ministry for telecasting tele dramas not being paid, a drama being stopped after a few episodes telecasted were etc. The compensation requested by the plaintiff relating to 10 cases out of that was Rs. 844.120.000. A sum of Rs. 6,465,670 had been paid as at 31 December 2019 as lawyers charges regarding these cases.
- The Corporation had filed suits (c) against 12 debtors as at 31 December 2019 and expected to be recovered a sum of Rs. 25,093,207 and a sum of Rs. 1,521,750 had been paid as lawyer's fees as at 31 December 2019.
- Two individuals had filed a case (d) against to the Corporation requesting a sum of Rs. 1,000,000 as compensation mentioning that human rights had been violated because telecasting of live programme namelv "Ira andurupata" had been stopped

Not replied

Actions should be taken as losses are not to be occurred to the Corporation.

The Corporation had filed Actions should be taken cases in several courts for recovering a sum of Rs. 25,093,207 from client debtors as at 31 December

as losses are not to be occurred to the Corporation.

It is informed that lawyers charges mentioned in the observation arefor all trials since the year 2009.

Actions should be taken as losses are not to be occurred to the Corporation.

halfway on 04 November 2008. A sum of Rs. 1,608,150 had been spent as legal charges as at 31 December 2019 exceeding the amount of compensation which had been requested.

### **3.2** Operating Inefficiencies

### -----Audit Issue

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Although the monopoly power (a) for telecasting the lottery draw conducted by the National Lotteries Board and the Development Lotteries Board was owned by the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation, the air time for telecasting the lottery draw had been reserved by the said 2 Institutes through private agencies. Hence a commission of 15 per cent of the revenue received to the Corporation from the Lotteries Board had to be paid to an intermediate party and in addition to that commissions had to be paid to the Marketing Executives of the Corporation. The revenue earned by the Corporation during the year under review from National Lotteries Board and Development Lotteries Board was Rs. 687,561,590 and based on that revenue, a sum of Rs.103,134,239 andRs. 11,278,668 had been paid as agency commission and the marketing executive's commission respectively.

### **Management Comment**

The lottery draw is given to the Sri lankaRupavahini Corporation by the National Lotteries Board and the Development Lotteries Board through agencies. Therefore the Sri Lanka RupavahiniCorporation could not intervene in this regard directly.

Further actions were taken to send letters to both lotteries board on 07.07.2020 in order to have full amount directly to the Corporation without agencies.

# Recommendation

Actions should be taken to obtain the telecasting of lottery draw directly to the Corporation without intervention of agencies.

(b)	According to the powers vested the Minister as per the section 31 of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini	Not replied	Required directives should be prepared for monitoring
	Corporation Act No .06 of 1982,		television channels.
	directives should be prepared for		
	monitoring television channels.		
	However such requirements had		
	not been fulfilled even up to		
	June 2020.		

- (c) Any income had not been Not replied received to the Corporation for 100 hours and 45 minutes of air time for programmes which should be charged but telecasted free of charge during the year 2019. The value of such programmes was Rs. 27,889,000.
- (d) Air time revenue of Rs. Not replied 103,550,000 which should be recovered for the advertisement programme of Gam Udawa Model villages to be vested in people organized by the Ministry of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs had not been recovered even up to June 2020. It had not been entered into a proper agreement with the Ministry of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs in connection with telecasting advertisements and even though several parties made requests had for telecasting those advertisements from time to time, formality of such requests was problematic.
- (e) According to an agreement Not replied entered into with a private institution, the project of "Earth

Immediate actions should be taken to recover the charges relating to programmes.

Immediate actions should be taken to recover the charges relating to advertising programmes.

Feasibility study should be done before commencing

Watchman" had been commenced without the approval of the Board of However only the Directors. opening ceremony had been held and the project had been given up after incurring a sum of Rs. 1,720,035 by the Corporation. The sponsorship received to the project was only Rs. 1,250,000. The project had commenced without been carrying out a proper study and as a result a loss of Rs. 470,035 had occurred to the Corporation.

#### 3.3 **Human Resources Management**

### Audit issue

- -----The total number of approved (a) cadre for the Corporation was 1,049 including 1,041 permanent and 8 contracts. However the actual permanent cadre employed in the service as at that date was only 898 and the officers who had been recruited as at that date on casual and contract basis were 32.Accordingly there were 159 vacancies in various permanent posts. Further 05 posts had been filled on acting basis.
- (b) Twenty permanent nine employees, thirteen employees under contract basis and threeofficers under assignment basis had been recruited for 15 posts which had not been included in the approved cadre approved for the Corporation by the letter of the Director General of the Services No. Management DMS/E4/37/4/231/1-1dated 30 June 2011.

### **Management Comment**

-----The approved cadre for the Corporation was 1041 permanent and 08 contract. The cadre then was 898 permanents, 19 contracts and 13 assignments. Five acting posts were given on the requirement of the service. One acting post was terminated.

Recommendation

-----Recruitments should done for the be approved cadre.

Recruitments should done for be the approved cadre.

projects and the loss should be surcharged responsible from parties.

## Not replied

## 4. Accountability and Good Governess

### 4.1 Internal Audit

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### Audit Issue

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The post of Chief Internal Auditor had been vacant since 01 October 2018 and actions had not been taken to fill the said post even up to September 2020.

### **Management comment**

## Although applications were called in June 2019, recruitmentwas delayed due to the announcement of presidential election and the general election after that.

### Recommendation

Actions should be taken to fill vacancies.