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### YEAR OF SUCCESS!!

The year 2004 has elapsed in the pages of the history remaining the memories of the struggle launched by the officers in highest ranks in public service in order to get the service minute implemented and to approve a salary scheme which would make path them to live with dignity.

No doubt, this is a fact that demands an access with a free mind. The field of management is one of the vital factors in the implementation of the development programs in a fruitful way. No matter whatever projects are launched to achieve the targets in development, the ingenuity of managers play a major role to make them reality.

The long march towards the development will be just a mere dream, as far as the government fails to absorb the best brains of the country in to the management field.

In a society where the place of god is also decided by the market system, the focal points that attract the skilled persons to the field will be existing social recognition and living standards for managers.

There should be no contradiction among us in respect of enhancing the professional qualification of our service. Keeping in mind that the role to be performed by us, let us make 2005 as the year of will power!!

- Editor

## Annual Programme - SASA -2005

(For first half year)

1. January 2005
  - 1.1 Handing over the report to the secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration & Home Affairs, prepared by the SASA, analyzing the final draft of Service Minute by December 2004.
  - 1.2 Appointing General Council and district coordinators.
2. February 2005
  - 2.1 Decide an appropriate salary scales and discuss with all relevant authorities to obtain relevant salary scheme.
  - 2.2 1st meeting of General Council to decide the date for next annual general meeting.
3. March 2005

Opening the Web site for SASA.
4. June 2005
  - 4.1 Annual get-together & Talent show.
  - 4.2 Issue a magazine

### FRIEND IN NEED

SASA, your closest friend is always waiting to help you. Please inform, your difficulties you face as a SLAS officer, to the secretary -SASA. Specially the disciplinary cases unsolved and dragged without reasonable reason.

### OUR GRATITUDE!!

The association express its gratitude to the members who are performing invaluable service at this national disaster, amidst various hardships and despite losses occurred personally

At the meantime the association owes the officers who have consented for voluntary service, a great depth of gratitude.

The association purely believes the dedication is highly commendable. At this moment where our country needs your assistance, SASA request from all SLAS officers to lend your hands in every possible mean to the victims of Tsunami tidal waves to restore their normal life as soon as possible.

### Funds

#### Member's fund

SASA intends to implement various activities to strengthen the association in order to facilitate and assist our members. It is compulsory, strengthening the financial foundation in this effort. Therefore you are kindly requested to obtain membership of the association if you haven't so far joined us. Also the present members are here by cordially invited to get their membership converted to a life membership.

#### Legal fund

It is a pleasure to inform that a legal fund has been established by the SASA to provide legal assistance in your professional matters. Fee you pay for membership today will be the protection for yours and your fellow officers tomorrow.

### Website

A website for our association is to be launched in March 2005. We kindly request information about our reputed former officers (photographs specially). Please send to editor by post or e-mail.

## Master of Public Administration (MPA)

Degree Program (2 years - Part Time)

*An invitation to senior public officers to learn how to make the system of public administration more effective in addressing national issues and serving the people of Sri Lanka*

Applicants, aged 24 years and above, and possessing a good knowledge of English, may apply if they (a) possess a bachelor's degree with at least a second class (upper division), or (b) possess a bachelor's degree/equivalent professional qualification and 3 years of post qualifying administrative work experience, or (c) are member of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service or its parallel all-island public services, with a minimum of 3 years of service.

A program of financial assistance from the Konrad Adenauer Foundation of Germany will cover 40% of the program fees of public sector candidates. The applicants chosen for the program will be sponsored by the Ministry of Public Administration/respective government organizations.

The closing date of applications is January 18, 2005. Program Calendar with application form could be obtained from the Institute.



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