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All Secretaries to the Ministries  
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**Collecting Data and Information Relevant to the Gender-Based Budgeting and Establishment of “Gender Focal Point” in each Ministry**

The social, economic and education status of the Sri Lankan women is higher than that of the women in other countries and various health and socio economic indicators are as par with the developed countries. This progress was achieved through the free education and health policies and also related programs implemented after the independence in our country.

02. The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals No 05 of 2030 for which Sri Lanka too has agreed, indicates the requirement of achieving gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls. Accordingly, as an initiative, to localize the Sustainable Development Goals, 12 key performance indicators which are directly required to achieve such Goals were introduced with the budget call 2018. As such, you are kindly requested to furnish the progress of those 12 key performance indicators which relates to your ministry to the Department of National Budget before 30.06.2019.

03. Several basic proposals have been proposed by the Hon. Minister of Finance in his 2019 Budget Speech to empower women both economically and socially by paying attention to the Sustainable Development Goals and the women in vulnerability. Accordingly, under the paragraph no 160 of the budget speech of the year 2019, it has been proposed to establish a Focal Point on Gender in each ministry to facilitate collecting relevant data and information for gender based budgeting, formulation and implementation of policies. Hence, these gender

and Dry Zone Development. Accordingly the gender focal point of your ministry should maintain a gender disaggregate database and information system in relation to the projects and programs implemented as per the duties and functions of your ministry. For example, Health, Education, Welfare Programmes and Beneficiaries lists etc. which are being implemented under each Ministry, Departments should be maintained separately. Further, you are kindly requested to take steps to submit such information to the Ministry of Women & Child Affairs and Dry Zone Development before 31<sup>st</sup> of July in each year.

04. Projects and Programmes developed by all the Ministries as per their duties and functions should focus on broadening socio - economic opportunities of the Sri Lankan women and minimize social- economic issues of them through such programmes.

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