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CELEBRATING " NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY" AND " NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK" IN SRI LANKA COINCIDING WITH THE " WORLD SCIENCE DAY" ON 10TH OF NOVEMBER

The World Science Day is celebrated internationally on the 10th of November of every year since 2001. By the Cabinet Decision no: අමප/17/2196/716/047 of 10/10/2017, approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted to designate 10th of November as the "National Science Day" and the following week commencing 10th to 17th November of every year as the "National Science Week" of Sri Lanka, coinciding with the International Science Day.

2. The objectives of designating a National Science Day and National Science Week coinciding with the World Science Day are to strengthen public awareness on the role of science for Sustainable Societies in relation to Sustainable Development Goals, create public awareness on Science and Technology Interventions and National Development, renew national and international commitment for the use of science and technology for the benefit of the society and share advances in science, technology and research sector between different fractions of the society towards poverty alleviation.

3. Accordingly, the 10th of November of 2017 has been designated as the "National Science Day" and the week commencing 10th to 17th November has been designated as the "National Science Week" coinciding with the "World Science Day" falling on the 10th of November 2017, under the theme "Science for Global Understanding". This "National Science Day" and "National Science Week" will be implemented henceforth as an annual programme.

4. Especially, steps should be taken to implement various programmes, based on the said "National Science Day" and "National Science week", to raise awareness among communities of every province in the country, of the practical and productive use of science and technology applications. I kindly request you to organize these programmes with the assistance of various public research institutes, Universities and Vidatha Resource Centers. It is of vital importance to identify and encourage inventors and to facilitate the promotion of their inventions.

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5. In implementing programmes at regional level with the assistance of the university or other research institute nearest to your institution. I kindly request you to also obtain the assistance of the Science & Technology Officers appointed by this Ministry, for the implementation of relevant programmes to create awareness among school students and general public through science and technology related short films, video shows, seminars and science exhibitions. The register of names of officers appointed for district coordination activities, is attached herewith as annexure 01.

6. I highly appreciate your cooperation towards the successful implementation of this national programme.

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Ministry of Science, Technology & Research

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Science Popularization Program / World Science Day - 2017 Program

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