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1.0 Introduction.

1.1 Brief History

The Department of Social Welfare, North East Province was established in 1989 under the Ministry of Finance and Social Welfare. In 1992, Department comprised two sections which were the Social Services and Probation & Child Care Services under one programme came under the Ministry of Rehabilitation, Reconstruction, and Social Welfare, Agriculture and Lands. From 1996 it was shifted to the Ministry of Health and Woman Affairs. Again from later part of 1996 it was brought back under the Ministry of Rehabilitation, Reconstruction, Social Welfare, Building and Women Affairs. Then it was continued till the de-merger of the North and East Province.

1.2 Present Status

Even though after the de-merger of the North East Provincial Council, the Department of Social Welfare, and Department of Probation & Child Care Services were functioned as one department. After the number of initiatives taken by the Head of Department and the Secretary, Ministry of Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, the Hon. Governor has granted approval for these two departments to function as two separate entities from January 2008 onwards. Even though the two departments were functioning separately since the Hon. Governor's order, till mid of June 2008, both departments were headed by Director, Social Services, Eastern Province. From 29th May 2008 onwards the Commissioner was appointed to look after the functions of the Department of Probation and Child Care Services. Since then the Department of Social Services is functioning as an independent body with the chairmanship of the Provincial Director of Social Services under the purview of Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medicine.

Since its creation, the Department of Social Services, Eastern Province covers the devolved functions of Social Services as per the 13th amendments to the constitution.

2.0 Mandate of the Department

a) Vision

“To work with and provide competent and coordinated effective services to all vulnerable members of the community that supports their spiritual, intellectual, economical and social well-being”.

b) Mission

“To join with the community in providing Social Services that meet essential needs, promote self-sufficiency and enhance the quality of life of the vulnerable community members“.

c) Objectives

1. Improving the livelihood of the poor.
2. To assist the Persons With Disability (PWDs) with physically and mentally affected personnel.

d) Functions

1. Payment of Public Assistance Monthly Allowance (PAMA)
2. Supporting families living under the poverty line with self-employment grant to a maximum amount of Rs. 10,000 per family
3. Providing Assistive Devices to the Persons With Disability (PWD) and Children With Disability (CWD)
4. Providing vocational training to the Person With Disabilities and other department beneficiaries
5. Assisting people suffering from contagious diseases such as T.B., leprosy, cancer and thalasimiya
6. Provision of Maintenance Grant and Ad-hoc Grants for Elder’s Homes and Home for Persons With Disability run by NGOs and Volunteer Service Organizations
7. Compensating families living under poverty line whose properties and belongings damaged by accidents or natural disasters such as fire, cyclone, wild elephants etc. with a maximum amount of Rs.20,000/=

3.0 Organization and Management

The organizational chart and the cadre position of the Department are annexed as **Annexure I** and the **annexure II** which illustrate the institutions registered under the department.

3.1. Staff

As a result of separation of Department of Social welfare into two departments, the cadre strength has also reduced as half of the earlier strength. The present approved cadre details as shown in **annexure III**.

As the cadre is not revised for last couple of years, the present staff is working with the grate commitment to cover all the works as there is a need for more staff.

a) Staff appointments and Transfers

1. Mr.N.Manivannan S.L.A.S.III has been appointed as Director to this department with effect from 14.05.2008.
2. Miss.J.Jayatharshini S.L.Ag.S II/II has been appointed as Accountant to this department with effect from 01.09.2008.
3. Two Management Assistants, two Programme Assistants and a Data Entry Operator were newly appointed to the Department. The following table gives the full picture of the new appointments of subordinate officers.

S.No	Name	Designation	Date of Appointment
01	Mr.M.Vijendran	Management Assistant	09.01.2008
02	Mrs.S.Premachandran	Management Assistant	01.07.2008
03	Mr.R.D.N.P.Rajapaksha	Programme Assistant	09.01.2008
04	Miss.T.M.D.S.Thennakoon	Programme Assistant	14.01.2008
05	Miss.A.Vadivampikai	Data Entry Operator	23.05.2008

4. In addition to the above appointments the following Social Service Officers also appointed during the year

Newly Appointed Social Service Officers details are given below:

S.No	Name	Appointment Date
1	Mr.R.M.U.C.K.Rajapaksha	01.02.2008
2	Mr.M.H.P.L.Munasinha	01.02.2008
3	Mr.V.Naverathan	01.02.2008
4	Miss.S.Jeevarani	01.02.2008
5	Mr.Rifa Wadood	12.03.2008
6	Mrs.S.Sivanayagam	01.02.2008
7	Mr.A.Najeem	01.02.2008
8	Mr.A.Sabesan	01.02.2008
9	Mr.T.Vivegarajan	01.02.2008

Some officers were left the service and joint with some other department / services.
Those details are appended below

S.No	Name of the Officer	Designation	Date left
1	Mr.V.Naverathan	Social Service Officer	28.12.2008
2	Mr.Rifa Wadood	Social Service Officer	03.02.2009
3	Mr.R.M.U.C.K.Rajapaksha	Social Service Officer	15.07.2008
4	MR.A.S.M.Yaseer	Programme Assistant	06.08.2008
5	Miss.K.Thavatharhini	Programme Assistant	12.09.2008
6	Miss.R.Tharpana	Programme Assistant	01.08.2008
7	Miss.M.A.Sithy Sharmila	Programme Assistant	01.08.2008
8	Miss.M.M.Misriya	Programme Assistant	10.09.2008
9	Mr.S.Lingatharan	Programme Assistant	01.08.2008

b) Staff transfers

Some staff got transferred from the departments while a few were transferred to our department. Those who were transferred from and to were scheduled below:

1. Officers transferred to the department.

No	Name	Designation	Date	Transferred From
1	Mr.T.Sothy	Driver	12.02.2008	DS Kuchchaveli
2	Mr.T.Kuruchandran	MA	12.03.2008	DCS Finance

2. Officers transferred from the department.

No	Name	Designation	Date	Transferred To
01	Mrs.K.Kavitha	PA	01.07.2008	Nilaveli Pradesiya Shaba
02	Mrs.R.Nithyalechumy	MA	08.06.2008	Western Provincial Council

3.2. The following officer was gone on retirement in year 2008.

No	Name of the officer	Designation	Date of Retirement
01	Mr.T.Saravanapavashathasivem	District Social Service Officer	14.08.2008

3.3. Performance appraisal

As same in the previous years, all the performance appraisals of the staff have been completed for the year 2008.

3.4. Buildings

The department was newly constructed a Vocational Training centre at Uppuveli with the financial assistance of the line Ministry. The works was started last year and ended in 2008. Two blocks namely, dromedary and Kitchen blocks were constructed. The total budget for this project is Rs. 8.564 million.

In addition to the above work the departments has put up the fence at the Varothaya Nagar land which going to be use for the purpose of rehabilitation centre. The total estimated cost of this project is Rs. 2.717. Till December, 2008

Rs1.0 Million were spent. Due to the financial restriction the work has brought forward for the year 2009.

3.5. Machinery and Equipment

The following equipments were purchased during the year 2008.

No	Furniture & Equipment	Quantity	Amount
1	Cabinet	04	64,520.00
2	Steel table	04	66,600.00
3	Steel Almera	04	54280.00
4	Plastic Chair	35	25,300.00
5	Fan Cealing	04	15,200.00
6	Hand Phone	01	15,600.00
7	Telephone line	01	23,000.00
8	Intercom System	01	56,920.00
Total		54	321,420.00

3.6. Vehicles

By the end of the year the department had two vehicles; a lorry with the registration number **EP JR 9775** and a pickup with the registration number **EP PA-7596**. As the Department of Probation and Child Care Services was separated from the Department of Social Services, the vehicle bearing No EP PA 7596 has transferred to the Department of Probation and Child Care Services. As a result of this transfer of vehicle, and the request made by the director to the Secretary, the Department of Social Services has got a used vehicle (car) bearing No EP 19 – 5030 on 02.09.2008 for the official running.

4.0 Training programmes

- **Training Programme on TOT in Early childhood Development**

The above programme was conducted by the Singapore government for a period of two weeks started from 05.11.2008 to 18.11.2008 at Singapore. The Director, Mr.N.Manivannan has applied for this programme and, Hon. Governor has grant approval to participate. Director has departure the country on 04.11.2008 and returned on 19.11.2008. By attending the above training programme the director

has gained knowledge on how to develop early childhood activities in Eastern Province.

- **Training on Community Development, Mobilization and Project Proposal Writing**

In year 2008 the department has organised series of training programmes to enhance the working knowledge of the Social Services Officers and Programme Assistants (Social). The total estimated budget for these programmes is 1.726 Million. The funding supports were extended by NECORD. Under this programme all three districts in the Eastern Province were covered. These programmes were organized as residential programmes and MDTD has provided such facilities to the participants. The department has hired the Management Development Training Department (MDTD) and Centre for Information Resource Management to conducted these training programmes. By the end of the programme, the fully participated participants were awarded with certificates. It was expected that at the end of the programme, participants would get required skills knowledge and attitude to maximise the service provision to the general public. Till end of December, 2008 we were able to completed 03 programmes out of 10. The balance will be completed in the year 2009.

The schedule below depicts the expenditure and the beneficiaries:

No	Name of Programme	Date	No. of Participants	Expenditure Rs.
1	Capacity Building for SSO & PA (Socials)	18,19,20.10.2008 30,31Oct, 01Nov 2008	60	184,005
2	Training programme on TOT in Early childhood development	05.11.2008 18.11.2008	01	54,533
Total			61	238,538

5.0 Financial Expenditure for the year

5.1 Expenditure Statement.

a) Financial Statement

No	Name of Programme	2008 Allocation Rs.	Actual Expenditure Rs.	Progress in %
1	Recurrent Expenditure	127,582,000.00	110,966,027.00	87%

b) Capital Expenditure

(i). PSDG

No.	Name of Programme	2008 Allocation	Actual Expenditure	Progress in %
1	Maintenance Expenditure	16,900,000.00	6,000,000.00	35.5%

Note: Out of the total allocation, the dept has received only 6 million for the capital works in year 2008.

(ii). CBG

No	Name of Programme	Allocation Rs.	Expenditure Rs.	Progress in %
1	Capital Expenditure	900,000.00	821,855.00	91%

5.2. PSDG & CBG Programmes

❖ The breakdown of the capital expenditure for the year 2008 is tabulated below.

No	Description of Work	Allocation	Expenditure	Financial Progress
1	Const. Of Boundary wall for rehabilitation centre at Varothayanagar, Trincomalee	3,900,000	1,000,000.00	25.64%
2	Const. building for Onthachchimadam Elders home	3,500,000	1,222,461.09	34.93%
3	Ozanam Center for mentaly retired children,Sathurukondan	3,000,000	1,903,985.13	63.47%
4	Const .building for East Ceylon Islamic physically Handicapped Welfare Center, Kattankudy	3,000,000	747,347.87	24.91%
5	Const. of a building for Sarana Eldes Home, Sadunpura.	2,500,000	1,126,205.01	45.05%
Total		16,900,000.00	6,000,000.00	

❖ The works implemented under CBG are listed below.

No	Description of Work	Allocation	Expenditure	Financial Progress
1	Furniture & Office equipment	365,000	343,020	93.98%
2	Machinery	135,000	106,835	79.14%
3	Building repair	400,000	372,000	93%
Total		900,000	821,855	

5.3 Financial Auditing

Regarding the audit query for the year 2008, received and replied queries are listed below.

Query Type	Received	Replied
1. General Audit Queries	02	02
2. Internal Audit Queries	02	02

5.4 Board of Survey.

Board of Survey up to December 2008 has been carried out.

6.0 Functions of the Department of Social Services.

6.1. Payment of Public Assistance monthly Allowance (PAMA)

Poor people/families with no means of earning livelihood are paid a monthly allowance as follows;

<u>Beneficiaries</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chief Occupant	100/=
One Dependent	120/=
Two Dependent	150/=
Three Dependent	180/=
Four Dependent	210/=
Five Dependent	250/=
Five Dependent & above	300/=

As a result of the economic and political situation of the Province the poverty level has continued to rise with more people falling below the poverty line margin. This has led to the majority of the population seeking assistance from the department.

The continued conflict and civil war in the Eastern Province left thousands of already financially vulnerable people in more desperate situation leading to an overwhelming increase of people in need of support. Department has taken action to assist the most vulnerable members of the society. However 40,488 recipients were benefited from this allowance in last year with over **Rs 66.14 million**, being spent according to the reports received from the DS offices all around the Province. (Please See [Annexure IV](#) for further details)

6.2. Rehabilitation of Families under Poverty Line

Poor families, who have the ability to do a particular self-employment business but could not due to lack of resources, were assisted to start income generating activities. The maximum amount could be granted is Rs **10,000** per family, which experienced the amount is not sufficient to start a sound income generating activity. Therefore, the Department has requested the Ministry to increase the amount up to Rs.20,000 to enable the beneficiaries to start a sustainable business to get more benefit from the project. Further the department has take steps to negotiate with NGOs to provide further assistance in addition to the department's support. During the year **419 families** were benefited by spending **3.74 million**. (Please See [Annexure V](#) for more details)

6.3. Payment of Sick Persons Allowance

Based on the recommendations of the health officials, assistance is normally given to all patients suffering from a myriad of contagious diseases such as TB, Cancer, Thalasemiya and Leprosy in order to control the spread of these diseases as well as support the families who are unable to look after the patients due to the existing poverty in their family. The payment is normally made on a monthly basis and the brake down is listed as follows:

	Ailments	Monthly Payment	Additional amount for dependents
1	T.B.	Rs.250 per patient	Rs. 50
2	Leprosy	Rs 250 per patient	Rs 50
3	Cancer	Rs 250 per patient	Rs 50
4	Thalasemiya	Rs. 500 per patient	

The total number of beneficiaries benefited from the sick persons allowance for the year 2008 was recorded as follows; *(Also see Annexure IV for further details)*

	TB	Leprosy	Cancer/ Thalasemiya	Total
No. of beneficiaries	133	86	593	812
Financial assistance given	480,550	352,500	3,849,779	4,682,829

7. Action for Rehabilitation of Person with Disabilities (PWDs)

The supports extend to Person with Disabilities (PWDs) through;

- a) Providing assistive devices / equipments.
- b) Providing vocational trainings
- c) Supporting rehabilitation centres and homes

Assistive devices / Equipments

Assistive devices for Person with Disabilities such as spectacles, wheelchairs tricycles, hearing aids, crutches, artificial limbs, and white canes were provided based on the requirements. Basically these equipments / devices were issued based on the recommendation of the medical professionals. (Please see **Annexure-VI**) The support equipment provided for the year 2008 is shown below;

S.No	Equipment	No. of Beneficiaries 2008
1	Wheel Chair	89
2	Try Cycle	39
3	Spectacles	38
4	Hearing Aids	64
5	Crutches	07
6	White Cane	02
7	Reading Glasses	200
Total		439

7.2 Vocational Training for the Person with Disabilities.

The main objective of the department is to assist the person with disabilities by the way of rehabilitating them by providing suitable vocational training to enable them to seek their own livelihoods. This is through harnessing the talent from these people and providing training that will be suitable to their needs. This will help them to be independent through starting self employment or looking for employment opportunities in the relevant areas.

Unfortunately, there is no any department owned Vocational Training Centre for the beneficiaries in the whole of the EP. Hence the available VTCs in other provinces also conduct their courses in Sinhala medium which discourage those who cannot speak sinhala language to apply. Therefore most of the persons with disabilities in the EP do not have access to specialized vocational training courses which could help them a lot.

As a result of the above situational analysis the department has identify the need for the vocational training centre where as the department is currently constructing a Vocational Training centre at Uppuveli which will be completed by end of March, 2009. After its completion the centre will provide services to person with disabilities in the Eastern Province especially in the field of small scale business development and management courses. These courses will travel in par with the self-employment grants provided by the department to the beneficiaries to make their business effective and success.

7.3. Assistance to Victims of natural Disaster

In order to alleviate the suffering of most poor people and families after natural calamities such as fire, wild animals, cyclones they are given financial/material assistance to repair their damaged houses, belongings and utensils. The victims would be compensation with maximum amount of **Rs. 20,000** as compensation for the damages. During the year under review over **599** families were assisted with the amount of **Rs. 4.025 Million** being spent. (See [Annexure VIII](#) for detailed breakdown.)

7.4. Supporting Rehabilitation Centres and Homes

Most of the families do not have adequate facilities to look after their children who have disabilities due to poverty and various other reasons. As such the responsibility has been shouldered to Government and NGOs to take care and support these people. This leads the increase of number of caring homes. Unfortunately there are no state owned rehabilitation centres for person with disabilities in the EP. But fortunately there are some registered homes which run by the voluntary service organizations with the support of department and well wishers.

These homes are run under the supervision of the Social Service Officers. With their recommendations of the SSO as well a Divisional Secretary, the maintenance grants as well as Ad-hoc grant are paid annually. The maintenance grant is paid at the rate of **Rs.500/-** per inmate on a monthly basis. Ad-hoc grant is given for equipping and maintaining the facilities at the home. For this purpose the homes receive a maximum amount of **Rs. 115,000/-** per year. (See [Annexure VII](#) for detailed breakdown)

No	Home	No. of Beneficiaries	Maintenance Grant	Ad Hoc Grant	Total
1	Al Ameen Disabled Day Care Center, Sainthamaruthu, Ampara.	25	32,500.00	-	32,500.00
2	Sarana Disabled Children Home, Uhana.	30	180,000.00	-	180,000.00
3	Vazhvosai School for Hearing Impaired, Batticaloa.	68	245,048.00	30,150.00	275,198.00
4	Osanam Centre for the Mentally Retared Children, Batticaloa.	36	191,000.00	-	191,000.00
5	Dharisanam school for the Visually Handicapped, Kallady, Batticaloa.	25	125,533.34	75,000.00	200,533.34
6	Eastern Islamic Disabled Welfare Association-Kattankudy, Batticaloa.	35	114,500.00	30,377.00	144,877.00
7	School for Hearing Impaired, Trincomalee.	22	80,100.00	-	80,100
	Total	241	968,681.34	135,527.00	1,104,208.34

7.5 Care for Elders and Destitute

Due to the prevailed war situation in the EP many families have been rendered homeless and they compelled to live in temporary shelters. As a result people especially the aged people cannot afford a suitable residence while they moving from one temporary shelter to the other when the circumstances demand. As such most of the families have their elderly members of their family's put in elders' home where at least life is much more bearable. This has led to the rise of elderly people seeking admission at the few existing elder's homes.

As a result there is need to put up more facilities for the elderly in every district as well as day care centres in every division in order to meet the demands of the affected target group. The department has therefore been appealing to the voluntary organizations that can afford to set more elder's homes in order to cater for the large numbers that need the services of the homes.

However the assistance provided by the Government to these voluntary organizations is not adequate to enable them admit more people in the existing homes. Nevertheless the department spent more than **Rs. 915,065.00** as Maintenance Grant and Ad-hoc Grant to the elder's homes and the number of elders who benefited out of this money was **178**. The maintenance grant for the elders is normally paid at the rate of **Rs. 500/-** per person per month. (See **Annexure IX detailed** break down)

No	Home	No. of Beneficiaries	Expenditure 2008			
			Maintenance Grant	Ad Hoc Grant		Total
			Rs.500/- per each	Repair of Building	To buy furniture/ Cloths/Kitchen utensil	
1	Sarana Elders Home, Uthalapura, Sadunpura, Dhiyathakndiya	18	78,000.00	-	-	78,000.00
2	Sarana Elders Home, Dharmapala Mawatha, Ampara.	28	-	75,000.00	80,000.00	155,000.00
3	St.Joseph Elders Home, 96 Trinco Road, Batticaloa	80	467,065.00	-	-	467,065.00
4	Onthachchimadam, Planet	10	-	-	-	-
5	Kattankuidy Elders Home, Elders Home Road, Kattankudy	20	100,000.00	-	-	100,000.00
6	St.Joseph Elders Home, Uppuveli, Trincomalee	22	115,000.00	-	-	115,000.00
Total		178	760,065.00	75,000.00	80,000.00	915,065.00

7.6. International Day Celebrations

The department gave each Divisional Secretariat **Rs. 1500** in order to organize the International Elder's Day and the Day for Persons With Disability celebrations in their respective divisions. Various competitions were organized among the school children and awards being presented at the functions organized at Divisional Secretariat level.

7.6.1. Elders Day and Day for Persons With Disability Celebrations – 2008

The Provincial level Elders Day celebration was held at Thevanayagam Hall, Batticaloa on 04.10.2008. It was presided by Mr.N.Manivannan the Director, Social Services. To mark this event we have conducted number of competitions among School Children and Elders in the Eastern Province.

Chief Minister of Eastern Provincial Council Honourable Sivanesathurai Chandrakanthan and the Minister of Health Honourable M.L.A.M.Hisbulla were the Chief Guests for this event, who awarded the gifts and prizes of the winners of the competitions. Most of the elder's society members of the Eastern Province have participated in this event. Our department has arranged a trip to Batticaloa by the assistance of Handicap International for the elders of Trincomalee district to enable them to participate in this event. Dramas and cultural events were staged at Thevanayagam Hall by the elders societies make this ceremony more colourful and enjoyable. Participants from all three districts were participated is a special feature in this event.

To make this function remarkable the Department has organized a medical camp at Batticaloa on 03.10.2008 for the aged population with the collaboration of Government Agent, Batticaloa and Helpage International, Battcoloa. Nearly 250 elderly people were benefited from this medical camp.

Further the International Day for Persons With Disability was conducted on 06.12.2008 at Trincomalee. The function was organized with the collaboration of NGOs who are working in the filed of disability in Trincomalee district. This celebration was chaired by Trincomalee District Social Service Officer, Mrs. Prigala. The High Court Judge, Hon. Elanchceliyan and Northern Province PDHS Dr. Nanthakumar were invited as the Chief Guest and Special Guest respectively for this functions. Disable Person Organizations, Hearing Impaired School, Linga Nagar, Schools and other societies have arranged number of cultural programmes and staged those on the stage. The chief guest and special guest have distributed the gift items to the participants. NGOs were sponsored for the gifts.

7.7. Vaharai Mobile Service.

Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medicine has organized a mobile service at Vaharai division, in Batticaloa district which was held on 30.08.2008. The whole departments come under the Ministry of Health participated in this mobile service.

The Chief Minister of the Eastern Provincial Council Honourable Sivanessathurai Chandrakanthan and the Minister of Health, Eastern Province. Honourable M.L.A.M.Hisbulla were the chief guests for this event. Director Social Services and department staff participated and extend the maximum effort to bring success for this mobile service. We have distributed the following assistance to the beneficiaries. The Hon. Chief Minister, Eastern Province, Hon. Health Minister, Eastern Province, Secretary to the Ministry, Government Agent, Batticaloa have distributed the assistances among the selected beneficiaries.

01. Wheel chair	- Rs. 71,400.00
02. Try Cycle	- Rs. 405,000.00
03. Self Employment Grant	- Rs. 120,000.00
04. Causal Relief Assistance	- Rs. 71,500.00
05. Reading Glasses	- Rs. 22,000.00
06. Crushers	- Rs. 11,400.00
07. Sewing machine	- 10 Numbers
	(Sponsored by Offer Lanka, Batticaloa)
08. Bicycle	- 10 Numbers
	(Sponsored by ASM & TDDA, Trincomalee)

8.0. Constraints Faced by the Department

8.1. Office space

Presently the department of Social Services and Department of Probation and Child Care Services have shared one building which is located next to the Provincial Council Building at Inner Harbour Road, Trincomalee. As these departments shared a limited space both departments have face difficulties to perform efficiently. However, our department staff is manage to working in the limited space.

8.2. Revision of Cadre

The department cadre has not revised last couple of years. The cadre of the Director of Social Services should be upgraded to class I of SLAS as in other Provinces in order to coordinate the work with the Divisional Secretaries.

Further it is necessary to get the cadre approval for the District Social Service Officer. Again the above cadre should be up graded as Assistant Directors (Non-SLAS) in each district to coordinate all the works at the district level.

8.3. Financial Provision

Another limitation face by the department is lack of financial provision. Respective higher authorities should take necessary action and should ensure that the enough provision is allocated for the department for its efficient and effective functions.

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A vigorous campaign to have all the voluntary organizations that are engaged in social welfare activities registered with the department as required by law under Act **No 31 of 1980** gives the department the power to compel all the organizations working under it to register or be prosecuted for operating illegally.

By the close of the year more than **26** voluntary organizations were registered with the department. The department staff and divisional secretary normally carry supervisory as well as monitoring role to these organizations to make sure they abide by law while conducting their activities

7.7 Elders Day Celebrations – 2008

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8.0 . Constraints Faced by the Department

8.1 Office

The department moved to its old office building next to the Provincial Secretariat at Inner Harbour Road which is much more spacious than the previous one. The staff are able to use their computers since there is more space than in the previous office. This has encouraged the staff very much since they

are now able to work in a much more relaxed environment unlike the previous office accommodation which was too congested to offer any comfort for the staff.

Though the department has received over 100 new staff in 2006 through the Graduate Trainees Programme, they have been unable to operate effectively because of lack of office accommodation in their respective stations.

As a way of solving some of the problems pertaining to staffing and office accommodation the department has set up district management structure with a senior SSO as the District Coordinator overseeing the activities of the whole district and relaying back to the headquarters what needs to be addressed there.

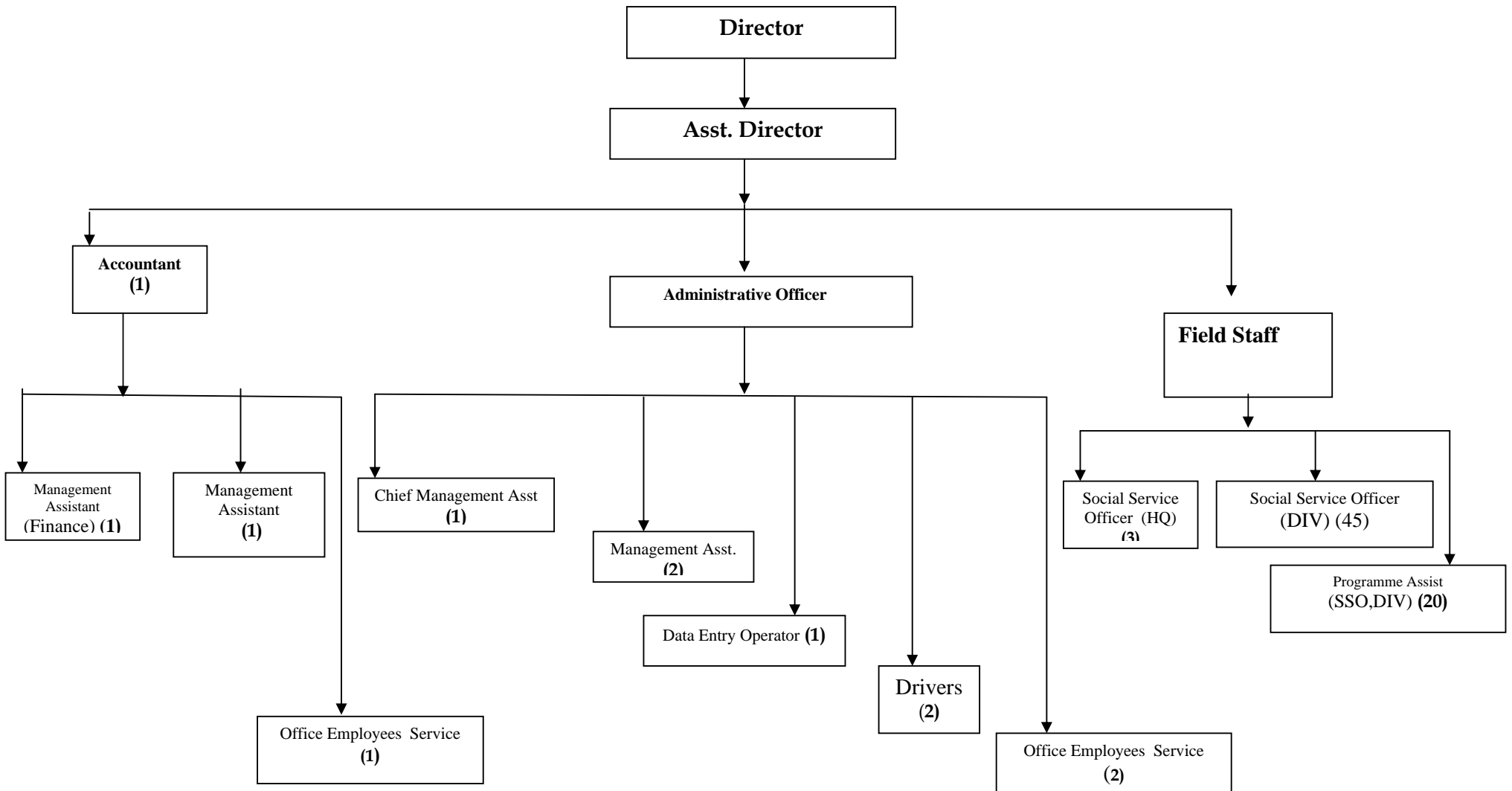
Nevertheless as earlier suggested regarding some of the problems facing the department, the following should be considered;

1. The cadre of the Director of Social Services should be upgraded to class 1 of SLAS as in other provinces in order to coordinate the work with the Divisional Secretaries.
2. To create the cadre for SSO Class 1 officer in each district as Assistant Director for Social Services Department to coordinate all the work at the district level.

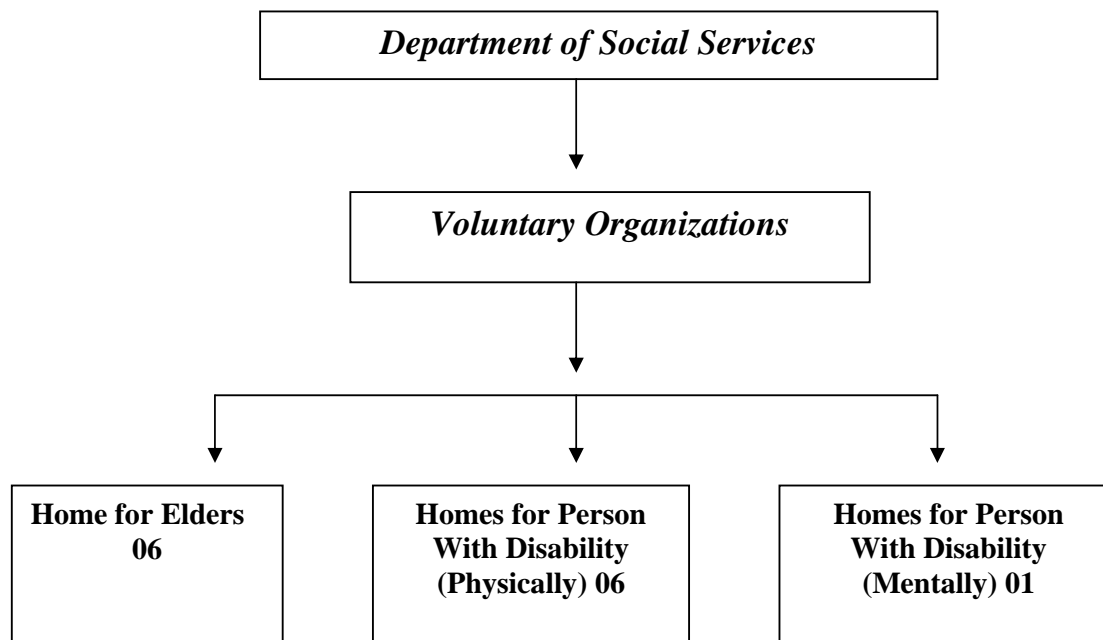
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Organization Chart

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE



Institutions Department of Social Services, EP.



Department of Social Services, EP.
Cadre Details

No	Post	Services	Grade	Approved Cadre	Present Strength	Vacancies
1	Director	SLAS	II	1	1	0
2	Asst. Director	SLAS	III	1	1	0
3	Accountant	SLACC	II/II	1	1	0
4	Administrative Officer	MAS	Supra	1	1	0
5	District Social Service Officer	-	-	-	3	0
6	Social Service Officer	-	-	46	36	10
7	Programme Assistant	-	-	22	14	8
8	Programme Assistant(Tharunaaruna)	-	-	-	2	-
9	Translator	-	-	1	0	1
10	Management Assistant	MAS	I	1	0	1
11	Management Assistant	MAS	II,III	4	6	-2
12	Data Entry Operator	-	-	1	1	0
13	OES	OES	III/II/I	3	3	0
14	Watcher	OES	II	0	-	-
15	Driver	-	IIB/IIA	2	2	0
16	Sanitary Labour	OES	III	0	1(Casual)	-
Total				84	71	18

Annexure IV

BENEFICIARIES & EXPENDITURE DETAILS OF THE ASSITANCES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT - 2008

District	PAMA		TB		Leprosy		Cancer		Casua Relief.		Reha. To PAMA Recipients		Assistive Divices	
	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure	Beneficiaries	Expenditure
Ampara	14,230	26,637,844	57	230,800	42	192,950	308	1,971,720	192	1,641,600	79	705,000	65	397,750
Batticaloa	19,655	26,049,685	44	157,550	30	108,500	212	1,346,981	72	627,500	218	2,029,815	76	1,021,650
Trincomalee	6,603	13,451,860	32	92,200	14	51,050	73	531,078	236	1,993,900	122	1,005,000	98	1,175,250
Total	40,488	66,139,389	133	480,550	86	352,500	593	3,849,779	500	4,263,000	419	3,739,815	239	2,594,650

Annexure V

Paid Particulars of Self Employment Grants - 2008

District	D/S Division	Beneficiaries	Amount
Ampara	Alayadivembu	2	20,000.00
	Akkaraipattu	11	100,000.00
	Ampara	19	140,000.00
	Dehiyathakandiya	3	25,000.00
	Damana	23	210,000.00
	Sainthamaruthu	2	20,000.00
	Kalmunai[M]	2	20,000.00
	Karaitivu	12	120,000.00
	Ninthavur	2	20,000.00
	Uhana	1	10,000.00
	Navithanveli	2	20,000.00
Sub Total		79	705,000.00
Batticaloa	Eravur town	7	65,000.00
	Chenkalady	40	389,815.00

	Kathankudy	29	280,000.00
	[K.P]Valaichanai	33	280,000.00
	Oddamavadi	12	60,000.00
	Arayampathy[M.M.P]	15	150,000.00
	M.M.North	11	110,000.00
	Kaluwanchikudy[M.S]	10	100,000.00
	Vaharai	7	70,000.00
	Koralaipattu Centre	8	80,000.00
	Pattippalai	19	175,000.00
	Vavunativu[M.W]	8	80,000.00
	Vellaveli[P.P]	8	80,000.00
	Kiran	11	110,000.00
	Sub Total	218	2,029,815.00
Trincomallee	Padavisiripura	12	120,000.00
	Seruwela	2	20,000.00
	Kanthalai	21	180,000.00
	Kinniya	20	200,000.00
	Kuchchaveli	11	

			110,000.00
	Moraweve	1	10,000.00
	Muthur	16	115,000.00
	Thampalahamam	7	50,000.00
	Town&Gravets	20	200,000.00
Sub Total		110	1,005,000.00
Grand Total		407	3,739,815.00

Distributed Assistive Devices and Expenditure - 2008

District	Tri Cycle	Wheel Chair	Spectracles	Hearing Aids	Crutches	White Cane
Ampara	3	16	26	19	1	-
Batticaloa	27	6	6	34	3	-
Trincomalee	9	67	6	11	3	2
Total	39	89	38	64	7	2
Total Exp.	877,500	1,059,100	20,900	616,500	18,150	2,500

Disbursement of Assistance for Homes for Persons With Disability

Annexure VII

District	Division	Home	Approved No.	No. of Beneficiaries	Expenditure 2008 (Rs)		
					Maintenance Grant	Ad-Hoc Grant	Total
Ampara	Sainthamaruthu	Al Ameen Disabled Day Care Center	25	25	32,500.00	-	32,500.00
Ampara	Uhana	Sarana Disabled Children Home, Sarana Lama Nivasa, Uhana.	50	30	180,000.00	-	180,000.00
Batticaloa	Manmunai North	Vazhvosai school for Hearing Impaired	53	68	245,048.00	30,150.00	275,198.00
Batticaloa	Manmunai North	Osanam Centre for the Mentally retarded children, Sathurukondan, Batti	24	36	191,000.00	-	191,000.00
Batticaloa	Manmunai North	Dharisanam school for the visually handicapped, Kallady	25	25	125,533.34	75,000.00	200,533.34

Batticaloa	Kattankudy	Eastern Islamic Disabled welfare associasion-Kattankudy	36	35	114,500.00	30,377.00	144,877.00
Trincomalee	Town & Gravets	School for Hearing Impaired, Linganagar, Trincomalee	45	22	80,100.00	-	80,100
Total			258	241	968,681.34	135,527.00	1,104,208.34

Paid Particulars Of Casual Relief - 2008

District	D/S Division	No of Beneficiaries	Amount
Ampara	Addalachchanai	15	132,500
	Akkaraipattu	3	25,000
	Ampara	8	73,000
	Dehiyathakandiya	8	74,750
	Damana	46	359,500
	Alayadivembu	15	145,000
	Sammanthurai	1	20,000
	Karaitivu	4	40,000
	Thirukovil	2	17,800
	Mahaoya	22	170,000
	Ninthavur	6	66,000
	Pathiyathalawa	8	74,500
	Sainthamaruthu	4	40,000
	Uhana	6	50,500
	Irakkamam	23	221,000
	Navithanveli	6	57,000
	Sub Total		177
Batticaloa	Eravur town	4	65,000
	Chenkalady	21	170,500
	[K.P]Valaichanai	5	50,000
	Oddamavadi	4	43,000
	Vaharai	6	60,000
	M.M.North	4	35,000
	Kaluwanchikudy[M.M.S]	2	20,000
	Paddippalai	1	10,000
	Vavunativu[M.M.W]	1	7,000
	Kattankudy	1	10,000
Kiran	5	47,000	

<i>Sub Total</i>		<i>54</i>	<i>517,500</i>
Trincomalee	Gomarankadawela	47	308,000
	Kanthalai	23	294,300
	Kinniya	21	187,500
	Kuchchaveli	7	83,500
	Moraweva	9	56,000
	Muthur	32	321,500
	Padavisiripura	13	120,000
	Eachilampathu	11	110,000
	Seruwela	8	76,000
	Thampalahamam	23	220,500
	Town&Gravets	10	164,000
<i>Sub Total</i>		<i>204</i>	<i>1,941,300</i>
Grand Total		435	4,025,350

Disbursement of Assistances to Elder's Homes - 2008

Annexure IX

No	District	Division	Name of the Home	Approved No.	No. of Beneficiaries	Expenditure 2008			Total
						Maintenance Grant	Ad Hoc Grant		
							Rs.500/- per each	Repair of Building	
1	Ampara	Dehiyathakandiya	Sarana Elders Home, Uthalapura, Sadunpura, Dhiyathakandiya	30	18	78,000.00	-	-	78,000.00
2	Ampara	Ampara	Sarana Elders Home, Dharmapala Mawatha, Ampara.	50	28	-	75,000.00	80,000.00	155,000.00
3	Batticaloa	Batticaloa	St.Joseph Elders Home, 96 Trinco Road, Batticaloa	100	80	467,065.00	-	-	467,065.00
4	Batticaloa	Kaluwanchikudy	Onthachchimadam, Planet	25	10	-	-	-	-
5	Batticaloa	Kattankudy	Kattankudy Elders Home, Elders Home Road, Kattankudy	40	20	100,000.00	-	-	100,000.00
6	Trincomalee	Town & Gravets	St.Joseph Elders Home, Uppuveli, Trincomalee	35	22	115,000.00	-	-	115,000.00
Total				280	178	760,065.00	75,000.00	80,000.00	915,065.00

