

Department Circular: - 10/2018

My No. DCA/06/03/03/01 Podu
Department of Cultural Affairs
8th Floor, Sethsiripaya
Battaramulla.
30.10.2018

Through

District Secretary/Divisional Secretary

All District Cultural Officers/ Cultural Development Assistants/ Development Officers

Divisional Cultural Officers/ Cultural Development Assistants/ Development Officers

Making payments for Kalayathana- 2020(Assistance to Kalayathana)

01. Financial Assistance is given annually by the Department of Cultural Affairs to the private arts institutions (Kalayathana) which contribute to promote arts of Sri Lankan culture, with the object of performing the mandatory duty of the Department to usher in a nation replete with cultured, subdued and disciplined people.
02. In this process the following matters should be adhered to:-
 - 02.1 Financial assistance is given for the year 2019 based on the grading for making payments in 2017. It is mandatory to send the duly filled survey reports relevant to the year 2018/2019 to make payments for 2020.(as per Annex1).
 - 02.2 The duly filled survey report No. DCA/06/03 issued by the Department of Cultural Affairs should be sent with the recommendation of the Divisional Secretary to reach the Department of Cultural Affairs before 31.03.2019 after the Kalayathana is inspected by the Cultural Officer/ Cultural Development Assistant/ Development Officer on its activities in the year 2018.
 - 02.3 After the reports are compared with that of the documents in the Department to ascertain the veracity, steps will be taken to make the payments if the recommendation is given by the Divisional Secretary.
 - 02.4 In case an arts school fails to obtain the minimum marks during a single year, such arts schools are not entitled to obtain financial assistance.
 - 02.5 The Marking Scheme to be used in completing the form for the grading of Arts Institutions given by the Department is indicated in Annex 2.

02.6 A note in the log book should be made to certify the visit of the Cultural Officer/ Cultural Development Assistant/ Development Officer for supervision of the Kalayathana and the recommendation for financial assistance.

03. Grading is done only under the following three categories

03.1 Super Grade

03.2 Best Grade

03.3 General Grade

04. Financial Assistance is given as follows for the year 2019.

03.1 Super Grade Rs. 10,000

03.2 Best Grade Rs. 6,000

03.3 General Grade Rs. 4,500

(The amounts indicated in the above statement 04 may be subject to change on the provision allocated annually)

05. In case where the payments cannot be made to the recipients, the balance money should be sent through a cheque in favor of the Director of Cultural Affairs before the commencement of the next financial year adducing the reasons thereof.

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