My No: JSC/SEC/CIR/2020

To All High Court Judges & Judicial Officers

RE: MOTIONS FILED BY THE SRI LANKA POLICE

Having considered a letter numbered MOJ/L8/Prison/2020 dated 03.12.2020 sent by Mr.M.M.P.K.Mayadunne, Secretary, Ministry of Justice on the above subject, Judicial Service Commission directed me to publish the same on the website of the Judicial Service Commission secretariat, for your information.

Under the command of the Judicial Service Commission

Secretary

Judicial Service Commission
H. Sanjeewa Somaratne Secretary

Judicial Service Commission Colombo 12

10th of December 2020,

Office of the Judicial Service Commission secretariat,

Colombo 12.



Mr. Sanjeewa Somaratne Secretary Judicial Service Commission Colombo 12

RE: MOTIONS FILED BY THE SRI LANKA POLICE FOR GRANTING OF BAIL TO REMAND INMATES

Further to His Excellency the President's advised on the above subject matter, and in line with the Hon. Minister of Justice's request Hon. Attorney General had directed Sri Lanka Police to take necessary steps to enable granting bail to selected non-harmful accused/ suspects who are currently in the remand prisons considering the circumstances of the Covid-19 spread within the Prison premises.

Accordingly, it was noted that there are approximately 3,000 inmates who could be granted bail starting from the Monday, 7th December 2020 island wide.

Therefore, I have been instructed to request the Judicial Service Commission's assistance to inform the respective judicial officers to extend their assistance by giving priority to the motions filed by Sri Lanka Police in this regard and consider them urgent basis without restricting such hearings of motions on scheduled court dates.

I would be very much appreciated if you could bring this request to the attention of the Commission for necessary approvals and actions please.

M. M. P. K. Mayadunne

Secretary

Ministry of Justice