

# Activity Report For the year 2022

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## GAMES HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



# Activity Report of the Secretary General for the year 2022

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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- 1.1** It is with great pleasure that, I as the Secretary General of the National Olympic Committee of Sri Lanka (NOC Sri Lanka) and the Commonwealth Games Association of Sri Lanka (CGA Sri Lanka), present the Activity Report encapsulating the dynamic journey of the year 2022.
- 1.2** This year unfolded against the backdrop of unprecedented challenges arising from the post-COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent economic and social disturbances in Sri Lanka. However, I am pleased to report that despite these adversities, NOC Sri Lanka not only withstood the challenges but emerged with notable achievements.

It is a crowning achievement of the year was that our success at the Commonwealth Games, where our exceptional athletes secured medals, proudly raising the Sri Lankan flag on the global stage. Throughout the year, the unwavering commitment of NOC Sri Lanka remained evident as we actively engaged in both implementing new projects and sustaining our regular programs. The development of our strategic plan proved to be transformative, guiding the committee towards a new trajectory and solidifying our position.

The strategic plan development of NOC Sri Lanka marked a transformative phase, propelling the committee into a new direction and providing a robust framework for our future endeavors. Additionally, our commitment to environmental sustainability found expression in our participation in the S4CA Climate Change Webinars facilitated by the International Olympic Committee, underscoring our dedication to global initiatives addressing climate challenges. However, amidst our triumphs, we encountered challenges with the decamping of athletes / officials during overseas tournaments. This issue demands our immediate attention, and we are dedicated to finding effective solutions to ensure the well-being and stability of our athletes / officials.

Despite facing difficulties in securing sponsors as initially planned due to the country's economical situation, our gratitude extends to the International Olympic Committee, Olympic Council of Asia, Commonwealth Games Federation, and other organizations. Their unwavering support has been the backbone of our endeavors, enabling us to navigate the financial landscape and focus on our mission of promoting and fostering sports in Sri Lanka. I extend my deepest gratitude to

the entire NOC Sri Lanka team; not only my Executive Board also the staff and other volunteers, for their unwavering support, which has been instrumental in driving our success in 2022. Especially the Finance Committee (FC) made a good effort on keeping financial procedures of NOC Sri Lanka in an accurate manner.

However, it is with a heavy heart that we acknowledge the sad demise of Her Excellency Queen Elizabeth II, a moment that cast a somber shadow over the Commonwealth sport family.

As we reflect on the triumphs and challenges of the past year, we look forward with renewed determination and optimism, building on the foundation laid in 2022. Together, we shall continue our journey towards excellence and make meaningful contributions to the world of sports.

## **2. STRUCTURE & ORGANISATION**

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### **2.1 EXPANSION**

There were no new inclusions to the membership. Therefore the affiliation of membership was remained in 31 for the year ended 2022.

#### **Suspension of AIBA by IOC**

The suspension of the AIBA by the IOC was continued in 2022 and the coordination of Boxing was done by Special Task Force under the IOC guidance.

### **2.2 THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

With the resignation of Mr. Neel Perera from the post of Committee Member, Mr. Rifdy Fahmy was appointed by the Executive Board and he was ratified at the AGM.

President	:	Mr. Surendran Subramaniam
Secretary General	:	Mr. Maxwell de Silva
Vice Presidents	:	1. Mrs. Niloo Jayathilaka
		2. Mr. Joseph Kenny
		3. Mr. Suranjith Premadasa
		4. Mr. Kanchana Jayarathna

Treasurer : Mr. Gamini Jayasinghe  
Assistant Secretary : Mr. Chandana Liyanage  
Assistant Treasurer : Mr. Shirantha Peiris  
Committee Members : 1. Mr. Ruwan Alahakoon  
2. Mr. Sarath Hewavitharana  
3. Mr. Rifdy Fahmy  
Representative of Athletes' Commission: Mr. Niluka Karunaratna

### **2.3 HONORARY MEMBERS OF NOC SRI LANKA**

Honorary Life President of NOC Sri Lanka : Mr. Hemasiri Fernando  
Honorary Life Member : Mr. Prema Pinnewale

### **2.4. MEETINGS**

Executive Board (EB) meetings were held on a monthly basis in physically and virtually. Accordingly, 12 Executive Board meetings were held during the year 2022.

Furthermore, sub-committee meetings were regularly conducted during the year. The Activities conducted by Sub-Committees have been included into the report.

The Annual General meeting for the year 2021 was held on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

### **2.5 MEETING WITH IOC, NOC AND HON. MINISTER OF SPORTS**

A meeting was to be held with the Ministry of Sports, IOC and NOC to discuss on the amendments to the Sport Law / regulations but it was cancelled.

### **2.6 SUB-COMMITTEES**

The following Sub-Committees were formalized and functioned during the year 2022.

I. Gender Equity Committee Chairperson – Ms. Niloo Jayathilaka

- Complaints Committee members of the Safe Sport Policy are;

1. Ms. Jayanthi Kuru- Utumpala (Chairperson)
2. Ms. Dillai Joseph Rodrigo
3. Ms. Sharanya Sekaram
4. Ms. Diordre Croos Moraes
5. Ms. Caryll Tozer
6. Ms. Preethi Adhihetty
7. Ms. Nedra Wickremasinghe
8. Ms. Sabrina Esufally
9. Ms. Shyamala Gomez
10. Dr. Nihal De Silva

II.	<u>Finance Committee</u>	Chairman – Mr. Joseph Kenny Co-Chairman - Mr. Lalith Withana
III.	<u>Media Committee</u>	Chairman – Mr. Surendran Subramaniam
IV.	<u>Marketing &amp; Sponsorship Committee</u>	Chairman – Ms. Shirantha Peries
V.	<u>High Performance Committee</u>	Chairman – Mr. Surendran Subramaniam
VI.	<u>Ethics Committee</u>	Chairman - Dr. Harsha Cabral
VII.	<u>Medical Committee</u>	Chairman – Dr. Eshan Jayaweera
VIII.	<u>Education Committee</u>	Chairman - Mr. Maxwell de Silva
IX.	<u>Constitution Committee</u>	Chairman – Maj. Gen. (Rtd) Dampath Fernando
X.	<u>Procurement Committee</u>	Chairman – Mr. Chandana Liyanage
XI.	<u>Infra-Structure, Maintenance &amp; Environment Committee</u>	Chairman –Mr. Suranjith Premadasa
XII.	<u>Junior Development Committee</u>	Chairman - Mr. Shirantha Peries
XIII.	<u>Olympic Competition Committee</u>	Chairman – Mr. Joseph Kenny
XIV.	<u>Disciplinary Committee</u>	Mr. Kanchana Jayaratne

## 2.7 ‘OLYMPIC HOUSE’

- a. The Gymnasium of the Olympic House which was outsourced to Ultimates Sports (Pvt) Ltd and its agreement was renewed in 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and agreement is valid till 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- b. The agreement with the ‘Fortune Boat’ restaurant which was renewed on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 was continued till 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and it was renewed.
- c. The Media Committee of NOC Sri Lanka continued to publish the e-newsletter of ‘GoodSport’ magazine in each week.

d. **Service Agreement Renewals**

The service contacts of Lift - AG MELCO Elevator Company Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Fire Protection - Southern Fire (Pvt) Ltd and the CCTV - Certis Lanka Technology & Consultancy (Pvt) Ltd was renewed.

**2.8 International achievements of office bearers**

a. In the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)

The following office bearers of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka continued their appointments at the OCA Standing Committees for the term of 2019 / 2023.

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Mr. Hemasiri Fernando            | - Honourary Vice President         |
| 2. Mr. Surendran Subramaniam        | - Member, International Relations  |
| 3. Mr. Maxwell de Silva             | - Vice Chairman, Education         |
| 4. Mr. Senaka Ranasinghe            | - Member, Peace through Sports     |
| 5. Wg. Cdr. (Rtd) Chandana Liyanage | - Member, Information & Statistics |
| 6. Maj. Gen (Rtd) Dampath Fernando  | - Member, Sports & Environment     |
| 7. Ms. Niloo Jayatilake             | - Member, Women & Sports           |

b. Invitation to Speak at Host City 2022

I was invited to address at the Host City 2022 programme held in Glasgow, Scotland from 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022. This was a unique opportunity to address at a Host City programme.

c. Appointment of a member of ANOC Culture & Education Commission

The appointment of Mr. Maxwell de Silva, Secretary General of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka as a member of the ANOC Culture & Education Committee, at its Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019, was continued in the year 2022 as well.

d. Appointment as Honorary Life Member of CGF

Immediate Past President Mr. Hemasiri Fernando who is also the Honorary Life President of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka was appointed as Honourable Life Member of the Commonwealth Games Federation at its Annual General Meeting held in Birmingham on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

### 3. TASKS

#### 3.1 SIGNING OF MOUS

##### a. NOC Sri Lanka - Crysbro Next Champ

Aiming to identify talented athletes, the NOC Sri Lanka launched a special programme with Farms Pride (Pvt) Ltd (Crysbro) in 2020 and this programme was called NOC Sri Lanka – Crysbro Next Champ in 2020. The following athletes were benefitted under this programme from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

S / No.	Name of the athlete	Sport	Amount given during 2022
1	Kanas Kumar Danushan	Golf	504,000.00
2	Amandhika Amarasinghe	Shooting	564,000.00
3	Madabavitage Tehan Sanchith Rayman	Boxing	564,000.00
4	Sudhdhathcharige Nethmi Nimthera	Boxing	564,000.00
5	H.H. Ravindu Sithum Jayasundara	Athletics	504,000.00
6	D.M.T.D. Tharushi Karunarathne	Athletics	504,000.00
7	W. Deshan Kapila Kumara	Weightlifting	504,000.00
8	R.L.Sachini Rajika Laksarani	Weightlifting	504,000.00
9	Pitiyage Don Senura Dilanka Silva	Table Tennis	564,000.00
10	A.D. Nadila Nethviru	Gymnastics	504,000.00
11	U.L. Tharinda Mandara Premakumara	Taekwondo	564,000.00
12	M. Senori Sasadara Fernando	Taekwondo	504,000.00
13	Kaluarachchige Sithuli Sodithya	Athletics (High Jump)	504,000.00
14	W.A. Ishara Samanmalee	Athletics (Long Jump)	504,000.00
15	T.O. Vinod Ariyawansa	Athletics(400m Hurdles)	504,000.00
16	M.D. Madushika Premarathna	Weightlifting	504,000.00
17	H. Anju Minuwandana de Silva	Weightlifting	504,000.00
18	Bimandee Bandara	Table Tennis	504,000.00
19	D.A. Wenuka Kithnula	Tennis	529,000.00
20	P. Nethmi Ahinsa Fernando	Wrestling	504,000.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>10,405,000.00</b>

The Coaches of the selected athletes were given token of appreciation. The names of the Coaches are;

S / No.	Name of the athlete	Sport	Amount given during 2022
1	Mithun Perera	Golf - Coach	60,000.00
2	Sunethra Karunanayaka	Athletics – coach	60,000.00
3	M.S. Fernando	Athletics - coach	60,000.00
4	R. S. Chanaka Ruwan Kumara	Weightlifting - Coach	120,000.00
5	W. Rangana Tharanga	Gymnastics - Coach	60,000.00
6	S.A. Upul Susitha Fernando	Taekwondo - Coach	60,000.00
7	K.K.D.Nipuna Nirmal Kumara	Athletics (High Jump) - Coach	60,000.00
8	U. A. Uduwelaarachchi	Athletics (Long Jump) - Coach	60,000.00
9	Janaka Wasantha Kumara	Athletics (400m Hurdles) - Coach	60,000.00
10	Rukshan Gunathilaka	Weightlifting - Coach	60,000.00
11	Rajiu	Weightlifting – Coach	60,000.00
12	Buddhika Dikkumbura	Table Tennis - Coach	60,000.00
13	Sudantha Soysa (from January to July 2021)	Tennis - Coach	35,000.00
14	Suranga Kumara	Wrestling – Coach	60,000.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>875,000.00</b>

Under the NOCSL/ Crysbro Next Champ, these 20 athletes and their coaches were sponsored to cover their monthly training related expenses. Seneca Gunaratne and Milka Gehani were selected under co-opted scholarship.

**b. Signing an MOU with SL Army**

The MOU signed with the SL Army, as recommended by the President of NOC Sri Lanka to support athletes and to train athletes in the army centers continued in 2022.

**3.2 GAMES**

**3.2.A XXII COMMONWEALTH GAMES – BIRMINGHAM 2022**

The Games were held in Birmingham, UK from 28<sup>th</sup> July to 08<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Our team consisted of 110 athletes and 50 officials representing 17 sports disciplines as follow making it one of the largest teams that participated in a Commonwealth Games festival.

a) Queens Baton Relay



The Queen's Baton of the Birmingham 2022 Games was welcomed to Sri Lanka on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 to Bandaranaike International Airport, arriving from the Maldives and sent it off to Bangladesh on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 after special events celebrated by NOC / CGA Sri Lanka based in Colombo, Kandy, Hatton. Accordingly, the Baton spent two days exploring the beauty of the country, including visits to the Victoria Dam, Ranabima Royal College, Kandy to the Kirkoswalk Tea Estate, Ceylon School for Deaf and Blind in Ratmalana and as well as to the British High Commission.

b) CGA Open Day of Birmingham 2022

The CGA Open Day of the Birmingham 2022 was held from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 physically at Birmingham, UK and virtually. The meeting was attended by approximately 92 delegates representing 54 Commonwealth Nations and the Chef de Mission Maj. Gen. (rtd) Dampath Fernando represented Sri Lanka at the CGA Open Day togetherwith Mr. Surendran Subramaniam and Mr. Maxwell de Silva.

c) Pre-Delegation Registration Meeting (Pre-DRM)

Pre-DRM of the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Commonwealth Games was held from 11<sup>th</sup> April to 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022, virtually.

d) Press Conference of the Birmingham 2022

The Press Conference of the B2022 games was held 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at the 'Hemasiri Fernando' auditorium of NO Sri Lanka.

e) Team Size Calculator

	<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>Official</b>	
Open Allocation Sports				
Aquatics – Diving	1	-	1	2
Aquatics – Swimming	1	1	1	3
Athletics	3	3	2	8
Badminton	4	2	2	8
Boxing	5	3	2	10
Gymnastics – Artistic	3	4	2	9
Gymnastics – Rhythmic	-	1	-	1
Judo	3	2	2	7
Squash	2	2	1	5
Wrestling	2	4	2	8
Qualification Sports				
Table Tennis		-		
Weightlifting	6	4	3	13
Basketball 3x3	4	4	2	10
Beach Volleyball	2	2	2	6
Cricket T20	-	15	6	21
Rugby Sevens	13	13	6	32
Para Sports				
Para Athletics	1	-	1	2
	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>145</b>

	<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>Total</b>	
Chef de Mission	1		1	
General Team Manager (Deputy CDM)	3		3	
Medical Personnel	6		6	
Press Attaché	1		1	
Other Mission Personnel	2	2	4	
	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>160</b>

The Table Tennis team was officially qualified to take part in the Birmingham Commonwealth Games 2022. However, the team could not take part in the games as two of the team players left the country (Sri Lanka) for training in the USA avoiding taking part in the Birmingham games. The rest of the two players were unable to take part in the event due to this reason.

f) Key Officials

1. Maj. Gen. (rtd) Dampath Fernando – Chef de Mission
2. Mr. Amal Edirisooriya – General Team Manager
3. Mr. Gamini Jayasinghe – General Team Manager
4. Wg. Cdr. (rtd) Chandana Liyanage – General Team Manager
5. Dr. Himan De Silva – Covid Liaison Officer
6. Mr. C.A.B. Tennakoon - Security Liaison Officer
7. Dr. Asela Ratnayake - Medical Personnel
8. Dr. G L K Ekanayake - Medical Doctor
9. Ms. Hansika Wijayagunasekara – Administrator
10. Ms. Hiruni Munasinghe – Administrator
11. Mr. Gobinath Sivaraja – Administrator cum Safe Guarding Officer
12. Mr. S R Pathiravithana – Press Attaché
13. Mr. Gihan Kuruppu – Analysis for Weightlifting
14. Mr. B.L.H. Perera – Official

NOC Officials

Mr. Surendran Subramaniam attended the Games in the capacity as the President of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka.

Mr. Lalith Withana – Co-Chairman of the Finance Committee attended the Games as Guest of NOC Sri Lanka.

g) Sponsorships

The Hirdaramani sponsored for Birmingham 2022 with team clothing and competition uniforms.

h) Team Performances

Our hopes of making a reasonable showing at these Games were successful as few athletes was able to make history. However our medal hope in Weightlifting athletes from whom much was expected were not upto the mark as we unfortunately had to confined to one medal in Weightlifting. Yet with the performances in Athletics and Wrestling, Sri Lanka secured a Silver medal and three Bronze medals as below;

Name	Sport	Event	Place
H.G. Palitha Bandara	Athletics & Para Athletics	F42-22/61-64 Men's Discus Throw	2nd place
A.M. Yupun Priyadarshana Abeykoon	Athletics & Para Athletics	100m Men's	3rd place
Y. Dilanka Isuru Kumara	Weightlifting	55kg - Men's	3rd place
P. Nethmi Ahinsa Fernando	Wrestling	57kg - Women's Freestyle	3rd place

<b>Other Merit Places</b>			
<b>Name</b>	<b>Sport</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Place</b>
M.D. Chamodya Keshani,	Weightlifting	53kg - Women's Freestyle	4th Place
K.A. Keshani Hansika	Boxing	Over 48kg - 50kg (Light Flyweight) - Women's	5th place
R.A. Nadeeka Pushpakumari	Boxing	Over 45kg - 48kg (Minimumweight) - Women's	5th place
P.A. Rukmal Prasanna	Boxing	Over 51kg - 54kg (Bantamweight) - Men's	5th place
M.P. Sajeewani Srimali Cooray	Boxing	Over 54kg - 57kg (Featherweight) - Women'	5th place
J.A. Chathuranga Lakmal	Weightlifting	67kg - Men's	5th place
S.P. Shriyanthika Niroshani	Wrestling	50kg - Women's Freestyle	5th place
U.K. Nilani, Rathnayaka	Athletics & Para Athletics	3000m Steeplechase - Women's	7th place
R. Chamara Nuwan Dharamawardhana	Judo	73kg - Men's	7th place
Chathurika Priyanthi Balage	Weightlifting	87kg - Women's	7th place
W. Chamari Mendis Warnakulasuriya	Weightlifting	55kg - Women's	7th place
W. Sachini Umanga Silva	Wrestling	62kg - Women's Freestyle	7th place
D.M. Srimali Samarakoon	Weightlifting	49kg - Women's	8th place
H.W. Thimali Nethmini Bhagya Janani Haputhenna	Weightlifting	87+ kg - Women's	8th place
W.P. Ushan Charuka	Weightlifting	109+kg - Women's	8th place
W. Suresh Chanaka Fernando	Wrestling	86kg Men's Freestyle	8th place
Sachin Dian / Thilini Hendaheva	Badminton	Mixed Doubles	5 <sup>th</sup> place
Sachin Dian / Buwaneka Goonathilake	Badminton	Men's Doubles	5 <sup>th</sup> place
Malintha Yapa / Ashen Rashmika	Beach Volleyball	Men's team	5 <sup>th</sup> place
Deepika Bandara / Chathurika Madushani	Beach Volleyball	Women's team	5 <sup>th</sup> place

i) Media

The NOC Sri Lanka sponsored 3 media personnel, namely; veteran Journalist Mr. Prince Gunasekara of the Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited - Dinamina, Mr. G.W. Susil Premalal of the Wijeya Newspapers – Daily Mirror and Mr. Neville Victor Anthony of Express Newspapers (Ceylon) (Private) Limited and 2 from GoodSport magazine of NOC Sri Lanka for Mr. I.G. Kandula Gimhana Yatawara and athletes motion analyst Mr. K.A.D. Gihan Kuruppu to cover the Games.

j) Trainings and Scholarships

The following athletes were benefited targeting the Birmingham 2022.

i. 'GAPS' Programme

In connection with the 22<sup>nd</sup> Commonwealth Games, the Commonwealth Games Federation in collaboration with the host Organising Committee and other authorities conducting various programmes to enhance the athletes and officials performances.

Accordingly, 'GAPS' Camp was held from 21<sup>st</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022 to gather with the regional classification events – 2022 NSW Athletic Open held from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and Classification event held on 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at Sydney Olympic Park.

H.G. Palitha Bandara, a para-athlete in Para Athletics and his coach-Mr. U.P.D. Perera were invited to attend the 2022 GAPS Camp in Birmingham from the 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> of April 2022 as part of the CGF GAPS Global programme. The camp was hosted at the University of Birmingham.

ii. Team Preparation

NOC / CGA Sri Lanka arranged the below mentioned training programmes targeting Birmingham 2022 under the auspices of CGF and IOC – OS.

- Diver - Dulanjan Fernando, has been financially assisted with USD 500/- for his monthly trainings targeting Birmingham 2022 from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022. He was an athlete based in Melbourne, Australia.
- Three wrestlers and one coach, namely; P. Nethmi Ahinsa Fernando, Keshani Chamodya, Niroshani Perera and coach - Mr. Suranga Kumara were sent for training in Budapest, Hungary targeting the CWG 2022. The training was granted to them as a result of negotiations and discussions with the United World Wrestling. The United World Wrestling is covering the

training cost in Hungary while CGA Sri Lanka covers their travel and other related costs. Training was conducted from 8<sup>th</sup> June to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022.

- Judo – Judoka Chamara Dharmawardhana was sent to Kosovo for training targeting CWG 2022 from 5<sup>th</sup> June to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022.
- The Athletic athlete – long jumper Sarangi Silva underwent a special training together with the Qatar National Pool in Turkey, with the permission of Qatar Athletics Association, under the Coach – Mr. Przemyslaw Radkiewicz. She trained in Turkey for Birmingham 2022 games from 10<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022. She was financially assisted with LKR 254,100/-.
- The Athletics Athlete – High Jumper – Ushan Thiwanika Perera was assisted to cover training related expenses from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 targeting the Birmingham 2022 games. He was assisted with USD 500/- monthly and a total of LKR 939,230/- has been given to him during this period.

- Following Weightlifters financially assisted targeting the games.

Name of the athlete	Sport	per month (LKR)	Start Date	End Date	Total Distribution (LKR)
D.M. Srimali Samarakoon	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
W.M.C. Warnakulasooriya	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
V. Arshika	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
Chaturika Priyanthi Balage	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
W.T.N.J.B. Haputhanna	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
W. Ushan Charuka Pathirana	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.04.2022	31.07.2022	200,000.00
Y.D.I.Kumara	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.05.2022	31.07.2022	150,000.00
D.K.T.W.K. Palagasinghe	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.05.2022	31.07.2022	150,000.00
J.A.C. Lakmal	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.05.2022	31.07.2022	150,000.00
Chinthana Geethal Vidanage	Weightlifting	50,000.00	01.05.2022	31.07.2022	150,000.00

k) Decamping of Athletes and Officials

It was very unfortunate that NOC / CGA Sri Lanka had to face the situation of decamping of some of participated athletes and officials. 12 persons (10 athletes and 02 Officials including one NOC Sri Lanka Cameraman) decamped during the games period. The details of decamped personnel are;

1. Sanjeeva Bandara Rajakaruna – Athlete – Boxing
2. Niklas Vittalis – Athlete – Boxing
3. Jeewantha Wimukthi Kumara – Athlete – Boxing
4. Chamila Dilani Marappulige – Athlete – Judo
5. Duminda Asela De Silva – Official – Judo

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|---|------------------------------|
| 6. Suresh Chanaka Fernando                | – Athlete – Wrestling        |
| 7. Shanith Chathuranga Pedige             | – Athlete – Wrestling        |
| 8. Shriyanthika Niroshani Pedige          | – Athlete – Wrestling        |
| 9. Sashimal Malintha Yapa                 | – Athlete – Beach Volleyball |
| 10. Ashen Rashmika Liyanage               | – Athlete – Beach Volleyball |
| 11. Chaminda Kumara Mallawaarachchi       | – NOC Guest                  |
| 12. Ihala Gedara Kandula Gimhana Yatawara | – Photographer               |

### **3.2.B WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES – BEIJING, CHINA**

The Winter Olympic Games were held in Beijing, People’s Republic of China from 4<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Sri Lanka could not take part in these games since none of athletes got qualified as per the world rankings.

### **3.2.C THE WORLD GAMES**

The World Games was held from 10<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 in Birmingham in Alabama in United States. The IOC informed that Mr. M.I. Thaha, one of Billiard & Snooker athletes got qualified for the World Games and he was to accompany Mr. B.M. Nirranjan Abeyasena. But both could not attend due to visa issue.

### **3.2.D SAUDI GAMES, RIYADH**

The Games were held from 28<sup>th</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and Mr. Surendran Subramaniam, President and Mr. Maxwell de Silva Secretary General of NOC Sri Lanka attended the Opening Ceremony of these games on the Invitation of Saudi Arabia.

### **3.2.E 19<sup>TH</sup> ASIAN GAMES**

a) The Games to be held in 2022 and was postponed to 2023 due to the Covid 19 pandemic in China.

b) Fun Run was postponed to 2023

c) Art Competition

800+ applications were received for the registration. –Out of the 200+ paintings received 50 drawings were selected by lecturers, Ms. Lanka de Silva and Mr. Asitha Amarakoon from University of Kelaniya and Mr. B.L.H. Perera. Prior to the final round a guideline was shared in a workshop via zoom on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022 for the final 50 contestants. Final round was held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022. The selected top 10 paintings (5 boys and 5 girls) were sent to China. And the winners were awarded with prizes. The Olympic Council of Asia allocated USD 3,000/- for this activity.



The top 10 winners of the paintings are;

1. J. A. Sanuli Vidunika Jayasinghe - KU/Maliyadeva Balika Vidyalaya
2. Danuli Hansara Balasooriya - Asian Grammar school
3. Sithumlee Risnidi Ediriweera - Anula Vidyalaya, Nugegoda
4. H. M. Losandu Minhas Fernando - Wp/Jy/Ananda Sastralaya Kotte
5. Yevinya Himandi Welengoda - Kottawa North Dharmapala Vidyalaya
6. D. M. Dasithi Hesara Dissanayake - WP/ HR/ Taxila Maha Vidyalaya
7. Sehas Ransilu Kuruwitage - Prince College, Ratnapura
8. Samiru Sasvidu Wijewardana - Dharamaraja College, Kandy
9. Vihan Yuthmira Buddhakorala - G/P De S Kularathne College, Galle
10. G. V. Kenuka Sayul Vidanage - Mahinda College, Galle

- d) Targeting the Asian Games the NOC Sri Lanka arranged a special training –to Amasha De Silva in Trinidad & Tobago. Initially the training was for a period of one month and her training was extended till 2023 on the recommendation of the High-Performance Coach in Trinidad & Tobago. Approximately LKR 6,740,723/- has spent for the training in 2022.

### **3.2.F 7<sup>TH</sup> CHILDREN OF ASIA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS IN VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA IN 2022**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Children of Asia International Sports Games festival was to be held from 27<sup>th</sup> July to 8<sup>th</sup> August 2022 in Vladivostok in Russia. However, NOC Sri Lanka could not attend these games due to the IOC sanction imposed on Russia & Belarus.

### **3.2.G POSTPONEMENT / CANCELLATION OF OTHER GAMES IN 2022**

#### **1. 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Indoor & Martial Art Games, Bangkok & Chonburi province, Thailand**

The 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games were supposed to held from 10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022 in Bangkok & Chonburi Province in Thailand. However, the OCA notified that the games are to postpone to 17<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and thereafter again postponed to 2023.

#### **2. 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Beach Games – Sanya, Peoples Republic of China**

6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Asian Beach Games which was to be held in Sanya has been postponed until further notice.

#### **3. Asian Youth Games, Shantou, China**

The Games were to be held from 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and it was postponed to held from 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022. And due to the pandemic situation of COVID-19 in China, the Olympic Council of Asia and the Shantou Games Organising Committee decided to cancel the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Asian Youth Games.

### 3.3 Assistance to National Federations / Athletes

#### I. Annual Grant for the year 2022

25 NFs out of 31 NFs claimed the NOC / CGA Sri Lanka annual grant of Rs. 200,000/- for the year 2022.

- Wrestling Federation of Sri Lanka
- Roller Skating Association of Sri Lanka
- Sri Lanka Equestrian Association
- Yachting Association of Sri Lanka
- Sri Lanka Volleyball Federation
- National Shooting Sport Federation of Sri Lanka
- National Association for Canoeing and Kayaking, Sri Lanka
- Sri Lanka Triathlon
- Sri Lanka Judo Association
- Sri Lanka Badminton
- Amateur Rowing Association of Sri Lanka
- Sri Lanka Athletics
- Ski & Snowboard Association of Sri Lanka
- Modern Pentathlon Federation of Sri Lanka
- National Association for Climbing & Mountaineering in Sri Lanka
- National Association of Fencing Sri Lanka
- Sri Lanka Aquatics Sport Union
- Sri Lanka Archery Association
- Sri Lanka Basketball Federation
- Sri Lanka Golf Union
- Sri Lanka Hockey Federation
- Sri Lanka Rugby Union
- Sri Lanka Taekwondo Federation
- Sri Lanka Tennis Association
- Sri Lanka Weightlifting Federation

II. The Wrestling Federation of Sri Lanka was financially assisted with LKR 1,000,000/- to cover accommodation cost of the U23 Wrestling World Championship held in Spain.

III. Sri Lanka Judo Association was financially assisted to conduct the Judo NOVICE Championship 2022 with LKR 500,000/-

- IV. Sri Lanka Judo Association was assisted with LKR 170,750/- to conduct the Judo training course of Trainers Grading.
- V. Hockey Federation of Sri Lanka was financially assisted with LKR 500,000/- to conduct the Men's Senior National Hockey Championship which was held from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
- VI. Amateur Sepaktakraw Association of Sri Lanka was financially assisted with LKR 500,000/- to conduct the National Sepaktakraw (Junior & Senior) Championship which was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 in Kandy.
- VII. Sri Lanka Equestrian Association was financially assisted with LKR 500,000/- to conduct the Equestrian Championship Sport Event. However, the Association returned the funds since they could not held the event as planned.
- VIII. Sri Lanka Taekwondo Federation was allocated a sum of LKR 406,400/- to cover the expenses of the National Taekwondo Championship 2022 which was held on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> December 2022.
- IX. Sri Lanka National Roller-Skating Association was supported with a sum of LKR 500,000/- for the Novice's National Championship.
- X. Sri Lanka Weightlifting Federation was supported with LKR 1,000,000 to purchase shoes for the athletes taking part in the Birmingham 2022. However, the Federation returned the funds as they could not purchase the shoes.
- XI. Sri Lanka Weightlifting Federation was supported to renew the referee license of Mr. M.L.I. Fernando with USD 200/- (LKR 60,500/-.)
- XII. On the request of the School Athletics Association, a sum of USD 1,500/- was allocated to conduct a training programme via zoom with expertise from Germany. However, the programme was postponed to 2023.
- XIII. Journalist - Ms. Kumari Manel of Sri Lanka Rupavahini Cooperation was assisted with USD 300/- (LKR 108,300/-) to cover the Asian Netball Tournament held in Singapore.
- XIV. Journalist – Mr. Namal Pathirage was supported with air ticket to travel to Singapore to cover the Netball Asian Championship. The ticket cost was LKR 212,800/-

XV. Journalist – Mr. Asanka Gammanpila was financially assisted with LKR 150,000/- to cover the 3<sup>rd</sup> Leg of Asia Rugby Sevens Series held in UAE.

3.4 The following athletes were given financial assistance targeting the games in 2022.

**3.4.A IOC – OS | Olympic Scholarships for Athletes – Paris 2024**

The NOC Sri Lanka offered following athletes, under the recommendation of the respective NFs, the IOC – OS | Olympic Scholarships for Athletes targeting Paris 2024.

	Name	Sport	Start Date	Per month grant USD	Total Distribution upto date	
					USD	LKR
1	Indika Dissanayake	Weightlifting	01.01.22	850.00	10,200.00	3,718,104.00
2	Rajitha Pushpakumara	Judo	01.01.22	1,000.00	12,000.00	4,374,240.00
3	Ishara Madurangi	Table Tennis	01.01.22	1,000.00	12,000.00	4,374,240.00
4	Thilini Hendahewa	Badminton	01.01.22	500.00	6,000.00	2,187,120.00
5	Dilshi Kumarasinghe	Athletics	01.01.22	1,000.00	12,000.00	4,374,240.00
6	Ranitham Liyanage	Badminton	01.05.22	500.00	4,000.00	1,462,520.00
7	Nethmi Ahinsa Fernando	Wrestling	01.09.22	1,150.00	4,600.00	1,666,580.00
8	Chalinda Sampath Liyanage	Taekwondo	01.08.22	1,700.00	20,400.00	Paid to German Centre by OS

The athletes – Dilmi Dias of Badminton was initially recommended and thereafter she was withdrawn since the Sri Lanka Badminton has informed that she is not training with the pool and also has not taken part in the Commonwealth trials. Therefore, the Association requested to replace Dilmi with Ranithma Liyanage as she was young athlete with potential.

Also, the Wrestling Federation of Sri Lanka requested to change the scholarship holder – Hashintha Dunuhinga who was initially nominated to Nethmi Fernando due to poor performances since award the scholarship and not attending training / competitions.

**3.4.B** The Gymnast - Milka Gehani continued her training after the Tokyo 2020 in Japan under the full sponsorship of the Japan Olympic Committee.

**3.4.C OCA Asian Diving Youth Camp - Kuala Lumpur**

The OCA in coordination with the International Olympic Committee – Olympic Solidarity and Olympic Council of Malaysia (OCM) hosted the 2022 OCA/OS Diving Asian Youth Camp (1m & 3m Platform) from 12<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 at the National Aquatic Centre Bukit Jalil, Kuala

Lumpur in Malaysia. Under the recommendation of the Sri Lanka Aquatics Sports Union, following athletes and officials attended this Camp.

	<b>Family Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Position</b>
1	Kankanamge	Vinudi Dahamsa	Female	Athlete
2	Jayaweera	Dihein Mikhail	Male	Athlete
3	Galpihillage	Kasun Warnaka De Silva	Male	Coach
4	Brahmanage	Aruna Chinthaka Perera	Male	Judge

- Mr. B.L.H. Perera was also attended this camp on the invitation of OCA to conduct OVEP education workshop for the Youth Camp attendees.

#### 3.4.D IOC - OS Youth Athlete Development Programme - Option 3

The Badminton World Federation (BWF) in cooperation with Olympic Solidarity, invited Sri Lanka Badminton team (Mixed) to the World Junior Championship at Santander, Spain which was held from the 17<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The IOC – OS supported with USD 8,000/- to BWF to take care of all logistical aspects related to Sri Lanka team participation at this event.

3.4.E On the recommendation of the President NOC Sri Lanka, the Golfer Nadaraja Thangaraja was assisted to cover the air ticket to take part in Golf tournaments. Accordingly, the NOC Sri Lanka has supported him with air tickets a sum of LKR 490,800.00 for the following events in 2022 and the athlete paid a sum of LKR 371,292.05; 10% of the prize money back to NOC Sri Lanka.

<b>Tournament</b>	<b>Ticket Cost by NOC</b>	<b>10% prize money in Indian Rupees</b>	<b>10% prize money received to NOC in LKR</b>
Kapil Dev-Grant Thornton Golf Invitational 2022 presented by DLF Golf & Country Club - 27-30 September	172,600.00	9,292.50	41,011.42
TATA Steel PGTI Players Championship 2022 - 04-07 October		19,042.40	84,041.53
Pune Open Golf Championship 2022 from 19-22 October		16,757.90	73,959.14
Golconda Masters 2022 - 9-12 November, 2022	134,600.00	5,640.30	24,892.84
Dream Valley Group presents Vooty Masters 2022 - 24-27 November		7,101.80	31,343.01
SSP Chawrasia Invitational 2022 presented by TAKE - 14-17 December	183,600.00	27,427.40	116,044.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>490,800.00</b>	<b>85,262.30</b>	<b>371,292.05</b>

3.4.F The President NOC Sri Lanka recommended to donate 50 pair of shoes from the 'Hope for Shoes' which were received by NOC Sri Lanka to Kalaimahal Vidyalayam, Ambalanthorai in Batticaloa.

**3.5** The Badminton athletes – Thilini Pramodika Hendaheewa and Ranthushka Sasindu Karunathilaka were supported by CIC through the sponsorship programme arranged by Dr. Rohantha Athukorala who was the Chair of the Marketing & Sponsorship Committee in 2018/2022. They were supported with LKR 70,000/- per month. Thilini Pramodika Hendaheewa and Ranthushka Sasindu Karunathilaka have supported with a total of LKR 840,000/- each during the year 2022.

### **3.6 Training for Wrestlers in Mongolia**

The NOC Sri Lanka arranged a training programme for 2 Wrestlers and 1 Coach in Mongolia targeting the Birmingham 2022 games, after the Senior Wrestling Championship. However, the athletes return early since one of the athlete got injured during the Championship and other team members did not have basic communication skills. This is so unfortunate and NF needs to groom the national level athletes with those soft skills as well.

### **3.7 OCA Athlete Centered Project Fund**

The Athlete’s Commission of NOC Sri Lanka launched a program called ‘Education for Athletes’ Career’ under the auspices of OCA to educate athletes to think about their post athlete-career opportunities. The programme was conducted at Hemasiri Fernando Auditorium at NOC Sri Lanka on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 as a one-day seminar.

### **3.8 IOC – OS | Team Support Grant**

Applications were sent to IOC – OS for the consideration to get support for Basketball – women’s team and Beach Volleyball – men’s team (only one gender each maximum two sports) under the IOC – OS Team Support Grant and approved a total of USD 50,000/- each for the duration of 2021/2024.

Federation	Category	Approved amount (USD)			
		2021	2022	2023	2024
Sri Lanka Basketball Federation	3x3 Women’s	-	22,500.00	17,500.00	10,000.00
Sri Lanka Volleyball Federation	Beach Volleyball – Men’s	2,537.00	19,463.00	14,000.00	14,000.00

### 3.9 IOC – OS | Development of National Sport System (DNSS)

#### i. Development of National Sport System – Badminton

Sri Lanka Badminton was offered a Development of National Sport System in Badminton under the auspices of IOC and BWF through the NOC Sri Lanka. Several online meetings were held between the Sri Lanka Badminton Federation, the World Badminton and the NOC Sri Lanka and thereafter the final programme was sent to IOC – OS for funding. The total budget allocation of USD 34,641/- was approved by IOC – OS for the project. However, due to the country uncertainty prevailed in 2022, the programme was postponed to 2023/ 2024.

### 3.10 IOC – OS | Technical Course for Coaches

#### i. Wrestling

The Wrestling Federation of Sri Lanka was offered an IOC – OS Technical Course for Coaches. The Federation initially planned to conduct a Coaching course and a Referee course, parallelly. Unfortunately, the referee course was postponed to later part of the year since the foreign expert was caught with COVID-19. A total of USD 14,827.20 was approved by the IOC – OS.

The Coaching Course – for Level I coaches was conducted under the expertise of Mr. Mohamed Abdelfattah Mohamed Ibrahim of Egypt from 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2022. It was attended by total of 22 participants of whom 3 were women coaches.

The Referee course – Introductory referee Course theory sessions was held from 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022 and the practical session was held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022 under the expertise of Mr. Ashok Kumar of India. The referee course was attended by 16 participants (14 men and 2 women)



### 3.11 IOC – OS | Olympic Scholarships for Coaches – International Coaching Course

Mr. S.B.M. Shivantha De Silva of Fencing was selected for the International Coaching Course conducted by the Hungarian University of Sports Science in Budapest to undergo Sports Science training from 3<sup>rd</sup> October to 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Mr. De Silva was offered assistance under IOC – OS | Olympic Scholarship for Coaches with a total of USD 10,499/- to cover tuition fee and NOC Sri Lanka supported the coach with a sum of LKR 159,857.49 since he had to stay in India to obtain Hungary visa.

### 3.12 OCA Development Programme for Coaches and Referees Stage 2

The OCA invited the Asian NOCs for the OCA Development Programme for Coaches and Referees “Stage 2” for Central and South Asian NOCs, as part of the Continental Programme’s Special Projects in collaboration with the National Olympic Committee of Uzbekistan. The programme was held from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan. The OCA notified to nominate only 2 Coaches and 2 Referees/Sport in Boxing, Judo, Swimming, Weightlifting and Wrestling. The OCA borne all expenses for full board accommodation and air tickets (Economy class airfare) for 2 Coaches & 2 Referees/Sport/NOC, a total of 10 coaches and 10 referees. The OCA specially considered the level of English proficiency of the nominees. Accordingly, having called for nominations through the respective NFs and following were selected comparing their level of communication in English and gender balance and one allocation was given for NOCSL Athletes Commission.

#### Coaches

Swimming - P. Thejaka Nandika De Silva & H.M. Shenali Samadara Herath  
Boxing - M.G. Dhanushka Bandara Ariyaratna & Hansika Nelum Kumari Gamage  
Judo - M.M. Mohomed Shamsul Muiez & M.A. Harshani Kanchana Perera  
Weightlifting - V. Chinthana Geethal Vidanage & M.G. Nadika Ranjana Bandara

#### Referees

Swimming - R.K. Sunil Ratnayake & Nihal Keerthi Rathnasiri Bamunuarachchi  
Boxing - A.K.G. Kamal Sameera & A.A. Chinthana Priyadarshani Weerasinghe  
Judo - K. Miron Nilanka Perera & H.M. Harshani Kumari Herath  
Weightlifting - Chamath Silva Kulakulasooriyage & Dineja Jeyarad Joicey Payas

### 3.13 IOC Diploma in Mental Health in Elite Sports (Distance Learning)

Dr. Himan De Silva, member of NOC Sri Lanka Medical Committee had directly applied for the IOC Diploma in Mental Health in Elite Sport which was commenced on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The NOC Sri Lanka supported him offering the IOC – OS assistance to cover the course fee of GBP 2,700/- (USD 2,906.33).

### **3.14 IOC Sports Nutrition Diploma (distance learning)**

Ms. Shalika Harshani, Head of Department, University of Sabaragamuwa was nominated for the IOC Nutrition Diploma (distance learning) on the recommendation of Programme Director, Mr. B.L.H. Perera. Ms. Harshani was awarded IOC – OS scholarship to cover the course fees, as well. The programme held from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### **3.15 IOC Certificate : Safeguarding Officer in Sport**

Mr. S. Gobinath successfully completed the IOC Certificate: Safeguarding Officer in Sport which was started on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 to 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022, virtually. Mr. Gobinath was nominated for this programme on the recommendation of Ms. Niloo Jayathilaka, Chairperson of the Gender Equity Committee. The programme was sponsored by the IOC – OS to cover the course fees. The Graduation Ceremony of this programme was held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

### **3.16 IOC Prevention of Manipulation Competition**

For the Sport Ambassadors of Prevention of Manipulation Competition, Ms. Reshika Udugampola, Secretary of AC and Ms. Kaushalya Danthanarayana from NOCSL was nominated.

### **3.17 ICECP – International Coaching Enrichment Certificate Programme**

The Sri Lanka Aquatics Sports Union (SLASU) recommended Mr. Akila Sineth, a young coach, for the ICECP programme. This year programme was held virtually due to the pandemic restrictions by the University of Delaware and U.S. Olympic Training Centre. The programme started on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 and Mr. Sineth successfully completed the programme on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022. The IOC approved and sponsored for the programme fee which was USD 400/-.

### **3.18 12th Edition of the International Coaching Enrichment Certificate Programme (ICECP) – 2019/2022**

The 12th edition of the ICECP was to be completed in 2020. However, the course had to continue till 2022 due to the pandemic situation. Mr. Navindra Dayan of Weightlifting who was nominated and accepted for the 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Coaching Enrichment Certificate Programme (ICECP) which conducts in conjunction with the United States Olympic Committee and the International Olympic Committee – Olympic Solidarity. The programme involved 4 modules of which 2 were conducted during the year 2019 at the University of Delaware and at the U.S. Olympic Training Centre in Colorado Springs, Colorado and the third module was held from 26<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 in Lausanne, Switzerland. The final and fourth module of the International Coaching Enrichment Program (ICECP) was held in Lausanne, Switzerland from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

This program is offered through a partnership between the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee and Olympic Solidarity, a department of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Participating coaches are beneficiaries of an IOC Olympic Solidarity scholarship. Consequently, all costs associated with the airline travel, ground transportation, accommodation and meals while in Switzerland was covered by Olympic Solidarity as part of the scholarship

### **3.19 Strategic Plan**

Strategic plan (Application has been sent to Olympic Solidarity (OS) which was prepared by Mr. S. Gobinath & Ms. Hansika Wijayagunasekara in consultation with the Secretary General of NOC Sri Lanka – Mr. Maxwell de Silva and Prof. B.L.H. Perera was sent to IOC – OS.

## **Educational Programmes**

### **3.20 8<sup>th</sup> Advanced Sport Management Course 2021/2022**

The 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the ASMC which was started on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 successfully completed on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022. 24 participants from different organizations at different levels of sport operational environments were selected and 19 participants completed all the seven sessions. Due to the pandemic followed by the economic and social disturbances, it got two months delay to complete the course. The composition of the final 19 recipients were 3 from NOC Sri Lanka and NOC Sri Lanka affiliated NFs, 1 from Nepal Olympic Committee, 6 from Sri Lanka Armed forces and 9 from other sport organizations.

The Award Ceremony for the above recipients was held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at the ‘Hemasiri Fernando’ auditorium of NOC Sri Lanka. The undermentioned 19 recipients were awarded Diplomas.

1. Ms. M.A. Hiruni Udara Munasinghe – NOC / CGA Sri Lanka
2. Ms. Supriya Wickramasekare – Gateway College
3. Ms. Madhubashi Yasasvi Wijerathne – Gateway College
4. Mr. Shirantha Peries – National Shooting Sport Federation of Sri Lanka
5. Mr. Trevor Gerard Reckerman – Sri Lanka Badminton
6. Mr. Thilina Samith – Sri Lanka Life Saving
7. Mr. Rabi Rajkarnikar – National Olympic Committee of Nepal
8. Mr. Jayantha Amarasinghe – Sri Lanka Air Force
9. Mr. Wipula Chandrasiri – Sri Lanka Army
10. Mr. Samila Dharmaawardana – Sri Lanka Air Force
11. Mr. B.W.D.M. Manjula Dissanayake – Sri Lanka Navy
12. Mr. D.M.T.C. Dissanayake – Sri Lanka Army
13. Mr. K.G. Sasheen Divanjana – University of Rununa
14. Mr. Nadeera Ginige – Singhe Sports Club

15. Mr. H.M.D. Ashan Alexis Jayasinghe – St. Joseph’s College, Colombo
16. Mr. K.M.M.P. Karunathilake – Sri Lanka Navy
17. Mr. Ted Hiran Muttiah – Ceylonese Rugby & Football Club
18. Mr. W.M.A.S. Wijekoon – Mercantile Athletics Federation
19. Mr. Thanura Navodya Wijewickrama – Dialog Axiata PLC



### 3.21 9<sup>th</sup> Advanced Sport Management Course 2023/2024

The 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the Advanced Sport Management Course 2023/2024 was scheduled to commence on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023 under the auspices of IOC – OS. Accordingly, the candidates selection process was started in 2022.

### 3.22 National Courses for Sport Administrators - Advanced Sport Management Courses - Programme Directors (ASMC Programme Directors Training)

Ms. W.S. Eranga Chrishanthi Fernando and Ms. L.H. Hansika Madushani Wijayagunasekara were nominated to train and assist PD candidates to hold ASMC. Six countries had nominated candidates for this programme and Programme Directors Training and Programme Directors Refresher (3<sup>rd</sup> session) was held online on 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> September by the Olympic Solidarity. Prof. Leigh Robinson and Prof. Tracy Taylor, two editors of the MOSO book facilitated the sessions. The programme will continue till 2023.

### 3.23 XXV MEMOS

Mr. Nishanthe Piyasena of Modern Pentathlon Federation of Sri Lanka was nominated for the 25<sup>th</sup> edition of the Executive Masters in Sports Organizations Management which is called XXV MEMOS. The programme is to conduct in four sessions. The first session of the programme was held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in Lausanne, Switzerland.

### **3.24 Programmes conduct by the International Olympic Academy**

1. 62<sup>nd</sup> International Session for Young Olympic Ambassadors

Ms. Upeksha Anjalee and Mr. Mevan Induruwa were nominated for the 62<sup>nd</sup> International Session for Young Olympic Ambassadors of the International Olympic Academy which was scheduled to be held in Athens and in the IOA premises in Ancient Olympia from 11<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022. However, they were unable to attend due to the delay in receiving visas from the Greece Embassy in New Delhi.

2. IOA/University of Peloponnese (Greece) – Master in Olympic Studies – 2022/2024

The programme was to held from 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 in Olympia, Greece. Ms. Dinkey Bandara, the CGF Equip Intern was nominated for the Masters programme and accepted by the IOA, supported to cover the programme fees under the IOC – Olympic Solidarity.

The 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the Master’s Degree Programme was held from 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2022 to 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of the programme commenced on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023 and it will be end in 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### **3.25 Olympic Day Celebrations – 2022**

The NOC Sri Lanka organized the Olympic Day Celebrations at its headquarters for the year 2022. The theme of Olympic Day Celebrations 2022 (ODC2022) was Olympic Values as the key for a better tomorrow - Let’s make it #Together. With the support of several personalities and facilitators, we successfully brought the concept of Olympic values for a better tomorrow. By focusing on specific objectives, we planned a few different kinds of sessions to celebrate this memorable moment. Several activities and celebrations were organised according to the motto of Olympic Day: Move, Learn and Discover . Also, Olympic values were also shared and commemorated during the special event such as a reception at the residence of His Excellency Eric Lavertu, the Ambassador of France to Sri Lanka.

All the participants of the celebrations were given certificates, complementary caps and t-shirts.

### **3.26 TAFISA World Walking Day 2022**

The annual celebration of the TAFISA World Walking Day were held on 3 October around the globe. Sports activities and a parade were held with the participation of students and teachers of the Modara Central College. The event took place on Crow Island. Students actively participated in games and the NOC SL donated equipment and stationery to the school. Mr. Gamini Jayasinghe and Mr. Chandana Liyanage attended the event representing the NOC Sri Lanka.

### **3.27 Olympic Solidarity Sport Administrators Course 2022 – 1<sup>st</sup> Session**

The first Sport Administrators Course 2022 was scheduled initially to be conducted from 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Due to Cpt. Hussain's visit to Sri Lanka during the scheduled period, was postponed to 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022. 23 applications were received and they were interviewed by the national course directors - Mr. B.L.H. Perera, Grp. Cpt. Nalin de Silva and Mr. S. Gobinath on April 9, 2022. 22 candidates were selected to pursue the course of five sessions for a total of 30.5 hours of online delivery. All selected 22 candidates successfully completed the session and they represented various universities, national federations and tri-forces – Army, Navy and Air Force. This time, six-course directors comprising three National Course Directors - Mr. B.L.H. Perera, Group Captain Nalin De Silva and Mrs. Olivia Gamage and Provisional National Course Directors - Rear Admiral (Dr.) Shemal Fernando, Major General Dampath Fernando and Mr. Gobinath Sivarajah, conducted the course.

### **3.28 Olympic Solidarity Sport Administrators Course 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Session**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sport Administrators Course for the year 2022 was held from 29<sup>th</sup> June to 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 virtually via zoom covering 30 number of hours. The course was successfully completed with 16 participants of whom 10 were male and 6 were female. It was conducted by National Course Directors Mr. B.L.H. Perera, Group Capt. Nalin de Silva, Mr. Maxwell de Silva and Ms. Olivia Gamage together with provisional National Course Directors Mr. Gobinath Sivarajah and Rear Admiral Dr. Shemal Fernando.

### **3.29 Olympic Solidarity - National Course Directors Programme**

The National Course Director (NCD) Training was conducted from 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at the Mandarin Hotel in Colombo 03 by Mr. B.L.H. Perera, as an initiative undertaken by the NOC Sri Lanka to supplement the Olympic Solidarity Sport Administration Courses (OSSAC) in Sri Lanka and the Asian Region. The broad aim of the NCD Training is to further strengthen NOC Sri Lanka efforts to enrich with good administration practices in sport organizations by developing and enhancing the service quality, quantity and NCDs to support NOC Sri Lanka efforts to meet the growing demand for the OSSAC in Sri Lanka.

The NOC Sri Lanka invited interested individuals to apply for the training through its web page. A total of 08 applications were received and thereafter selection interviews were conducted through a virtual platform for the above applicants to confirm their eligibility. 01 applicant withdrawn his candidacy himself. In addition to the above, the NOC Sri Lanka nominated 02 candidates considering their contributions to NOC Sri Lanka. Apart from the above NOC Sri Lanka invited three PNCDs appointed through previous NCD training to attend this NCD training and only one PNCD accepted that offer. The Olympic Solidarity nominated four

participants from the Asian region; 02 from Mongolian National Olympic Committee (MGL) and 02 from Bhutan Olympic Committee. All together there were 14 participants completed the training programme.

The recommendation given by the National Course Director – Mr. B.L.H. Perera is as follows;

- Mr. Gobinath Sivarajah – NCD
- Ms. Hansika Wijayagunasekara – Provisional NCD
- Ms. Eranga Fernando – Provisional NCD
- Mr. Abdellah Yusuf – Provisional NCD
- Ms. Lakna Hewawaravita – Provisional NCD
- Ms. Shalini Dissanayake – Provisional NCD
- Mr. Shamrath Fernando – Intern NCD
- Brother Joseph Jeyakanthan – Intern NCD
- Ms. S.P. Danushki Pabasara Maharachchi – Intern NCD
- Mr. T. Denzil Darling – Intern NCD
- Mr. Chimeddorj Amarsanaa of Mongolian Olympic Committee – NCD
- Mr. Gombodorj Zorigbaatar of Mongolian Olympic Committee – NCD
- Mr. Jigme Thinley of Bhutan Olympic Committee – NCD
- Mr. Dechen Lhundup of Bhutan Olympic Committee – NCD



### 3.30 Olympic Solidarity Sport Administrators Course – 3<sup>rd</sup> Session

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sport Administrator Course 2022 was held from 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at the Olympic House. The course was successfully completed by 18 participants consisted of 16 men

and 2 women. National Course Directors - Mr. B.L.H. Perera, Group Capt. Nalin de Silva, Ms. Olivia Gamage and Mr. Gobinath Sivarajah together with Rear Admiral Dr. Shemal Fernando provided their contribution as a resource person in this course.

### **3.31 Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions webinar series**

Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions webinar series was held in the month of November 2022. Accordingly, SafeSport webinar for the MoraSpirit was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 under the expertise of IOC resource person.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022, the webinar was held virtually for EB members of NOC Sri Lanka and NF officials under the expertise of IOC resource person.

29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – in House OCA Education Programme for Athletes was held on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competition.

### **3.32 National Olympic Academy – 2022**

The National Olympic Academy for the year 2022 was successfully conducted from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022 in Bandarawela with the participation of South Asian Regional NOCs.

The programme was attended by 29 participants of whom 14 male and 15 female from local universities and other South Asian NOCs.



### **3.33 2022-2023 Dream Together Master (DTM) Programme – Seoul National University**

Ms. Laksara Mahanama of Ministry of Sports staff was nominated for the Seoul University DTM and she was selected by the University to follow the master's degree programme.

### 3.34 Commonwealth Sport Women's Leadership Programme

Mrs. Irangani Rupasinghe, former athlete in athletics was accepted by the CGF for the Commonwealth Sport Women's Leadership programme and she was granted a scholarship of £5000.00.

### 3.35 NOC / CGA Sri Lanka Internal Development

a. Continuation of Ms. Susanthika Jayasinghe

The contract of Mrs. Susanthika Jayasinghe as the Director of the High Performance committee was renewed from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

b. Recruitment of NOC Staff

Contracts of Mr. S.R. Pathiravithane, Mr. N. Ranjith and Mr. R.R. Perera were renewed during the year 2022 for another one year period.

With the resignation of Ms. Salini Kulathunga, the service of Ms. Swasha Fernando, Attorney at Law was obtained as the Legal Officer for NOC Sri Lanka on the recommendation of Mr. Dilshan Jayasuriya at per month charge of LKR 85,000/-.

The CGF intern -Ms. Dinkey Bandara's contract was renewed for 6 months.

Ms. T.W.A. Nipuni Darshika who was the CGF intern under the eqUIP programme was recruited to NOC Sri Lanka after the completion of her internship on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022.

c. Ambassadeurs Génération 2024

Under the Ambassador's generation Volunteer programme of Paris 2024, Mr. Alexis Ebrard rendered his service for 1 year of period at NOC Sri Lanka from 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022. His expenses on travel, accommodation, and food was borne by the Paris 2024 programme.

Although Mr. Bilel Khessouma, of 23 years old was nominated as the next volunteer he could not come.

d. Commonwealth Sport Youth Leadership eqUIP Internship Programme

The Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) introduced the Commonwealth Sport Youth Leadership equip Internship programme amongst its member

Commonwealth Games Associations (CGAs) in order to develop sustainable capacity in CGAs in partnership with universities, CGAs and CGF. The goals of this programme are engaging and supporting young leaders from cross the Commonwealth, supporting CGAs to build their human resource capacity and capability, team preparation and other CGA projects and providing the youth of the Commonwealth with professional development and career opportunities etc. As such, on the recommendation of Mr. B.L.H. Perera, Academic Programme Director of NOC Sri Lanka, the National Olympic Committee (NOC) / Commonwealth Games Association (CGA) of Sri Lanka selected Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka to introduce and execute this internship programme in Sri Lanka in 2020 / 2021. However, expanding the opportunities for other Universities.

Having called for applications, Mr. Mohamed Nahtheer was selected for the CGF internship under the eqUIP programme from 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

## 4. INFORMATION

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### 4.1 Government Interference – Sri Lanka Rugby

Sri Lanka Rugby was suspended by the Minister – Namal Rajapaksa on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April before he resigned from the post. It was informed to the IOC and OCA. The OCA and Asia Rugby informed the Ministry of Sports to conduct the election of Sri Lanka Rugby within one month period.

### 4.2 Sri Lanka Rugby Team participation at the Asia Rugby Series under NOC Sri Lanka Flag

Due to the suspension on the Sri Lanka Rugby by the Asia Rugby Union, on the special request made by the NOC Sri Lanka, the Asia Rugby approved Sri Lanka Rugby teams (Men and Women) took part in the Asia Rugby Sevens Series – Leg. 2 in South Korea and Leg 2 in UAE under the flag of NOC Sri Lanka and Mr. Gamini Jayasinghe was nominated as the NOC representative / CDM to accompany the teams to the tournaments. The men's team Manger at the 2022 Asia Rugby Sevens Series – Round 2 held in Republic of Korea on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and Round 3 – UAE 7s which was held in Al Ain – UAE on 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022 was Mr. P.A. Sanath Kumara

Pitigala and women's team Manager at the 2022 Asia Rugby Sevens Series – Round 2 held in Republic of Korea was Dr. Samantha Nanayakkara.

Ministry of Sports did not grant approve for the Women's Rugby team to take part in the tournament in UAE since team captain – Dulani Pallikondage decamped during the tournament in Korea which caused Sri Lanka Rugby to pay a USD 10,000/- of penalty.

**4.3** The Education Committee conducted a forum for the EB members of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka and for NFs on the strategic planning and other educational activities on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

**4.4** Finance Committee had its monthly meetings regularly.

**4.5** Mr Maillet, the DHoM of the French Embassy in Colombo had a fruitful discussion with Mr Surendran Subramaniam, President of NOC / CGA Sri Lanka during his visit to NOC Sri Lanka on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022.



**4.6 Visit of Dr. Hussain Al-Musallam to Sri Lanka**

FINA President Hon. Dr. Hussain Al-Musallam visited Sri Lanka on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022. This is the very first occasion that a FINA higher official visited Sri Lanka in history. During his stay, he met the Lankan swimmers and attended a press conference on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2022.



**4.7** The Junior Development Committee conducted an awareness programme for NFs on Youth Awakening 2026 – a plan to move forward was held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

**4.8** The Gender Equity Committee did a remarkable work for the benefit of especially, athletes during the year 2022. The Committee signed an agreement with Family Health Bureau (FHB) enabling our athletes to reach FHB for counseling.

**4.9** On the recommendation of the President, the Ministry of Sports was donated with LKR 1 MN for the Welfare Fund.

- 4.10** During the year 2022 the Akbar Brothers sponsored NOC / CGA Sri Lanka with Tea to distribute with other NOCs and delegates.
- 4.11** Mr. S.H. Jayasuriya father of Tennis athlete – Savini Disanka Jayasuriya made a complain at Right to Information Commission requesting details on the Asian Games 2018 and her daughters entries which was sent through an Court Order after the deadline. Having brought to notice by the lawyers that the NOC Sri Lanka is not a Public Authority which falls under RTI act, the Commission and the appellant have agreed to seize the case subject to provide some information. The case ended in 2022.
- 4.12** The Amateur Baseball / Softball Association of Sri Lanka and Cycling Federation of Sri Lanka had not settle the outstanding amounts to NOC Sri Lanka during the year 2022, as well.

#### **Nomination for Awards**

**4.13 7th Sheikh Fahad Hiroshima-Asia Sports Medicine and Science Award**

On the recommendation of Medical Committee, Dr. Chaturanga Ranasinghe one of the members of the Medical Committee, was nominated for the 7th Sheikh Fahad Hiroshima-Asia Sports Medicine and Science Award (Sheikh Fahad Hiroshima-Asia Sports Fund).

Dr. Chathurange Ranasinge was selected as a recipient by the organisers and he was awarded a plaque and supplementary certificate of JPY 300,000/- during the OCA General Assembly in Cambodia on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

#### **Participation of International Meetings, Conferences & Forums**

**4.14 Association of Sports Institute of Asia**

13<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Sports Sciences, ICSSRI 2022 was held, virtually, from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Mr. Gihan Kuruppu and Mr. Suranjith Premadasa joined the Congress.

#### **4.15 TAFISA GA in Slovenia**

27<sup>th</sup> TAFISA World Congress took place in Portoroz, Slovenia from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and the TAFISA General Assembly took place on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Only members who have paid membership fees for 2021 and 2022 were allowed to vote.

#### **4.16 41<sup>st</sup> OCA General Assembly**

The 41<sup>st</sup> OCA General Assembly was held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and it was attended by Mr. Surendran Subramaniam – President and Mr Maxwell de Silva. Mr. Suranjith Premadasa was attended the Assembly as the third delegate.

#### **4.17 OCA Gender Equity Seminar**

The OCA Gender Equity Seminar in collaboration with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) was held on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> October in Bahrain. Ms. Niloo Jayathilaka, Chair of the Gender Equity Committee and Mr Maxwell de Silva attended the seminar.

#### **4.18 XXVI ANOC General Assembly**

The ANOC General Assembly was held from 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 in Seoul, Republic of Korea and Mr. Surendran Subramaniam – President and Mr Maxwell de Silva attended the Assembly. As nominated by Ms. Niloo Jayathilka – Chair of the Women’s Committee, Ms. Deepika Wahigaldeniya attended as the woman delegate.

#### **4.19 Saudi Games – Riyadh**

The games was held in Riyadh from 28<sup>th</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and the Organisers invited Mr. Surendran Subramaniam and Mr Maxwell de Silva attended the Opening Ceremony.

#### **4.20 OS / OCA Regional Forum for East and Southeast Asian NOCs – Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

The OS / OCA regional forum was held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to educate on the Paris 2024 Games and 19<sup>th</sup> Asian Games and 6<sup>th</sup> Indoor & Martial Art Games. Ms. Hansika Wijayagunasekara and Ms. Kaushalya Danthanarayana attended the Forum.

## 5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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- 5.1 Our thanks are due to the Hon. Minister of Sports and the Officials of the Ministry on the cooperation and support they have given to the NOC in every aspect of its work.
- 5.2 Our thanks are also due to the President - IOC, the President - OCA and various officials of these institutions which have been of great assistance to us during the year. The cooperation and assistance given by the staff of the Olympic Solidarity division of the IOC must be specially mentioned.
- 5.3 Also we are grateful the President and the Executive Committee of CGF for the support extended to CGA Sri Lanka.
- 5.4 Our grateful thanks are also due to those institutions that helped us through sponsorships for various programmes and projects.
- 5.5 Our thanks are once again due to members of the media.
- 5.6 Our thanks also go toward those institutions and individuals who rendered yeoman service to the NOC. We are most grateful to them.

**Maxwell de Silva**  
**Secretary General**  
**NOC / CGA Sri Lanka**