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இදල්, කුමසම්පාදන සහ ආර්ථික සංවර්ධන අමාතාාංශය මහලේකම් කාර්යාලය (3 වැනි මහල), තැ.පෙ. 277, කොළඹ 00100, ශුී ලංකාව நிதி, திட்டமிடல் மற்றும் பொருளாதார அபிவிருத்தி அமைச்சு செயலகம் (3 ஆம் மாடி), த. பெ. இல. 277, கொழும்பு 00100, இலங்கை Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

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03rd February 2025

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Auditor General, National Audit Office
Chairmen / All Independent Commissions
Chief Secretaries / All Provincial Councils

Attn: Officer In-charge of Foreign Trainings

Dear Sir/Madam

## Australian Awards Scholarships (AAS) – Intake for Academic Year 2026

The Government of Australia has invited applications from eligible Government officials of Sri Lanka for the above scholarship programme for the academic year 2026.

The objective of the AAS is to enhance and strengthen the capacity of human resources in the public sector by providing knowledge, skills and qualifications and thereby improving the quality services for the general public while enhancing the economic growth of Sri Lanka. Scholarships are awarded on condition that participants should actively engage in development activities of Sri Lanka.

The eligible applicants with experience and ability to contribute for the development in the sectors of Sustainability and Resilience, Stability, Inclusion, and Governance and Economic Development will be considered for AAS.

Therefore, well qualified and committed personal who can acquire wider knowledge and benefits from this programme and make use of them for the development of the country in an effective manner can be nominated for the programme.

The following points are highlighted for your kind attention;

- Applicants must complete their application online on or before the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025 (11.59PM AEST).
- Public sector applicants who are selected for an Australia Award Scholarship must submit a copy of the completed application form together with letter of Ministry approval and the "ERD form" once they are selected.
- Applicants are strongly advised to apply online well before the closing date via <a href="https://oasis.dfat.gov.au/">https://oasis.dfat.gov.au/</a>
- All relevant details on the programme is attached (Annex 1) and applicants are strongly advised to carefully go through the annex 1 prior to applying for the scholarship.

We would highly appreciate if you could kindly circulate this letter among all the agencies which are coming under your preview and encourage qualified officials to apply for this Scholarship programme.

Your early response in this regard is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

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Deputy Director / Technical Assistance

for Director General