

SF's security officers complain to SC of illegal arrest, detention

by Chitra Weeraratne

Eight security officers of Sarath Fonseka have complained to the Supreme Court of illegal arrest and illegal detention by the Criminal Investigations Department.

They have said that while serving at Fonseka's office at the Rajakeeya Mawatha, Colombo 7, office, they were arrested arbitrarily on January 29, 2010 and detained at the Terrorist Investigations Unit.

They are being detained in a small room where about 40 persons are held, they have complained.

The petition requested Court to direct the DIG of the CID to release the petitioner and others from mala-fide custody, forthwith.

As interim relief, they requested the Court to direct the respondent authorities to revoke the purported detention orders, issued on these petitioners.

The eight petitioners are L. H. L. J. de Silva, retired Air Force Corporal, H. Indunil Susantha Pudaligama, retired Army Officer, D. M. U. Senarath Dissanayake, K. S. P. Anura Kalgan, D. S. N. K. Mallikaarachchi, Vijitha Heastan, Ranjith Devapriya and Egodage Lalith Ananda.

They have alleged that they were not informed of the reason for their arrest.

Sri Lanka still top cinnamon supplier

Sri Lanka continues to enjoy its status as the top cinnamon supplier in the world by providing 80 percent of the requirement, the Ministry of Export Development and International Trade says.

According to Ministry sources, several measures have been taken to consolidate this position. The Export Development Board has taken steps on the guidance of Minister Prof. G.L. Peiris to modernise production

units by introducing a procedure known as 'Good Manufacturing Process' which is hygienic and efficient. Financial aid and guidance will also be provided for modernising all processing centres.

The Minister handed over three million rupees to several production units for construction and procuring machinery for processing, in Talduwa, Karadeniya, Telwatta and Kosgoda.

The Export Development Board will provide funds from the allocations made for agricultural export zones in the 2009 Budget.

Twenty factories will be modernised in the first phase.

The Minister said that once the new techniques were implemented, Sri Lankan cinnamon would obtain international quality certificates and receive more international orders.



Rector of the People's Friendship University in Moscow, Prof. I. Philipov presents a memento to President Mahinda Rajapaksa after the President and the Sri Lankan delegation had attended the university's 50th anniversary celebration followed by a cultural show at the University auditorium on Sunday (7). The delegation comprised First Lady Shiranthi Rajapaksa, Ministers Rohitha Bogollagama, Anura Priyadarshana Yapa, Susil Premjayantha, Prof. G.L. Peris, Mahindananda Aluthgamage, Secretary to the President Lalith Weerathunga, Sri Lankan Ambassador in Russia Udayanga Weerathunga, Coordinating Secretary Foreign Affairs to the President Vas Gunawardana, MP Wimal Weerawansa, and Director General Hospital, Colombo Dr. Hector Weerasinghe.

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LOST SHARE CERTIFICATES

The Following Certificates are reported not received, misplaced or destroyed

Name of Shareholders	Certificate Nos.	No. of Shares	Distribution Nos.
Mr. Wimalasumaweera Herath	28728	1,000 (Ordinary Voting)	3365331-3365330
Ms. Jayal Fernando & Wimalasumaweera Herath	35440	250 (Ordinary Voting)	26555405-2655547
Ms. Eshwari Fernando	40105	150 (Ordinary Voting)	32071624-32071773
Ms. Mahipala Jayasinghe	47544	165 (Ordinary Voting)	33653225-33653244
Ms. Mahipala Jayasinghe & Mr. Thero	35225	70 (Ordinary Voting)	33653255-33653264
Ms. Nandana Senarath	355	100 (Preference)	1605701-1605700
Ms. Mahipala Jayasinghe	3556	4000 (Ordinary New Voting)	40577220-40577121

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that if within 14 days from the date of publication of this notice, no claims or representations are made to the Company, the Directors will proceed to issue Duplicate Share Certificates to the above shareholders the Originals of which will be deemed to have been cancelled and not valid.

By Order of the Board
(M.S.) M. R. S. Gunasekera
Company Secretary

Cbo power distribution to be modernised

The Ministry of Power and Energy has taken steps to modernise the power distribution network in the City of Colombo.

The ministry will incur an expenditure of Rs. 6,070 million on this programme and be assisted by the Japanese Bank.

According to Ministry sources, the entire power distribution network is due to be developed and a new 11-kilowatt power line will be laid in addition to the development of the existing 11-kilowatt network.

Visiting celebrities add spice to Sri Lankan I-Day celebrations

DOHA: Sri Lankans turned out in large numbers to a packed house at the Doha Cinema on Friday to witness a spectacular evening of culture and pageantry to celebrate the country's 62nd Independence Day which fell on February 4.

Sri Lankan Ambassador to Qatar Vijayasiri Padukage was the chief guest. Popular artists, actors and actresses in Sri Lanka such as Damitha Abeyratne, Himali Sayurangi, Umayangana Wickramasinghe, Sanath Wimalasiri, Mahendra Perera, Asela Jayakody and Giriraj Kaushalya together with the band Ridma and students of Seraphs and Dinu Rangayathanaya performed a variety of traditional dances.

Proceedings began with the lighting of the traditional oil lamp by Ambassador Vijayasiri Padukage, Minister-Counselor A Tharmakulasingham, sponsors and office bearers of the Sri Lanka Coordinating Committee (SLCC) and the Sri Lankan Community Benevolent Fund (SLCBF).

Addressing the community, Ambassador Padukage lauded the SLCC for their efforts in organising Independence Day celebrations for the fourth successive year.

The ambassador also thanked the artists for their presence at these celebrations and said that this Independence is more meaningful for all Sri Lankans due to the end of the 26 year conflict and praised the security forces and all those who were instrumental in bringing peace to the country.

To mark the occasion Ambassador Padukage unveiled a colourful souvenir titled "Nidahas Udanaya 2010" (Dawn of Independence 2010). The SLCBF handed over three air tickets to the Ambassador to repatriate three Sri Lankans who were detained at the deportation centre.

The programme was sponsored by Vodafone, while the co-sponsors were SriLankan Airlines, Commercialbank and Al Bateel Security. The media sponsor was Lankadeepa Middle East published by Al Sharq. (Peninsula)

Upper Kotmale work on target

Sixty five percent of the construction work on the Upper Kotmale hydropower project has been completed, project director Shavendranath Fernando said.

He said the remaining work is expected to be completed soon.

The construction work had been delayed for several years. The power generated by the plant will be added to the national grid in August next year.

Sri Lanka seeks Haryana's help to organise crafts fair

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Representatives of Sri Lanka Sunday said that their government is planning to organise a crafts fair in Colombo on the lines of Surajkund Crafts Mela.

Nihalsomawaree, secretary in Sri Lanka's ministry of rural industries, Sunday urged Haryana Chief Secretary Urvashi Gulati to impart the required know-how and also to send craftsmen from Haryana to participate in the proposed Colombo fair.

'We have sought consultancy services from the Haryana government through the (Indian) ministry of external affairs for organising a craft fair in Colombo,' said Nihalsomawaree, who uses only one name.

Nihalsomawaree is heading a delegation of senior Sri Lankan officers and 24 national award winning craftspeople from Sri Lanka to 24th Surajkund Crafts Mela.

The fair is annually organised Feb 1-15 in Surajkund town in Faridabad district, some 20 km from south Delhi.

'The motive of our visit to the Surajkund mela is to study the functioning and set-up of the mela and also to explore the possibilities for organising such art and crafts fair in Colombo. We are amazed to see the diversity of the mela. Our mela will be of similar nature, sometime in July,' Nihalsomawaree said.

The Haryana government and the Surajkund Crafts Mela authority have extended full support to Sri Lankan delegation.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON PLC

Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC (Reg. No. PQ 116) under Section 4 of the Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) Act No. 4 of 1990.

Loan Account Nos. 361680, 364463

METIYAMPOTHA GEDARA DON JOHNA PPU, MUTHUKUDA HERATH HIMUDIYANS ELAGE WOLET NIRMALA JAYASUNDARA

At a meeting held on 16th September 2009 the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC resolved specially and unanimously as follows:

WHEREAS METIYAMPOTHA GEDARA DON JOHNA PPU and MUTHUKUDA HERATH HIMUDIYANS ELAGE WOLET NIRMALA JAYASUNDARA as Borrowers have made default in the payment due on Bond Nos. 3998 dated 1st August 2009, 5236 dated 26th March 2006 and 5415 dated 20th July 2006 all allotted by S. M. R. Jayawardana, Nobby Public of Kurunegala in favour of Commercial Bank of Ceylon Limited now known as Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC and there is now due and owing to the Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC as at 31st August 2009 a sum of RUPEES TWO HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY EIGHT AND CENTS NINE (Rs. 267,848.09) on the said Bonds and the Board of Directors of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC under the powers vested by Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) Act No. 4 of 1990 do hereby resolve that the property and premises more fully described in the Schedule hereto and mortgaged to the Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC by the said Bond Nos. 3998, 5236 and 5415 be sold by Public Auction by Mr. I.W. Jayasinghe, Licensed Auctioneer of No. 635, Bomattawa Road, Wabulputtwa, Kandy for the recovery of the said sum of Rupees Two Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Eight and Cents Nine (Rs. 267,848.09) with further interest on a sum of Rs. 168,000/- at 28% per annum from 01st September 2009 to date of sale together with costs of advertising and any other charges incurred less payments (if any) since received.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

All that divided and defined allotment of land depicted in Plan No. 1403 dated 02nd July 1998 made by K. O. Perera Licensed Surveyor of the land called HALA KOLONGOLLA situated at Galwelwa Village in Kandapala Korale of Malabe Division North in the District of Malabe Central Province and bounded on the North by balance portion of this land claimed by Surasana on the East by Main Road from Galwelwa to Kelawala on the South by Kologola Valla, claimed by Dinadaza and on the West by Galwelwa and containing in extent Two Acres and One Rood (A2-R1-P0) together with the trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon.

WHICH SAID land is divided and defined portion of following lands:-

- All that land called HALA KOLONGOLLA One and Half Acres in extent situated at Galwelwa of Kandapala Korale of Malabe North in the District of Malabe Central Province and bounded on the North by Galwelwa, on the East by Main Road on the South by land formerly claimed by vendor and others now claimed by vendee and on the West by Galwelwa together with the trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon and registered in Volume of Folio D 202/106 at Malabe Land Registry.
- All that divided portion of the land called part of HALA KOLONGOLLA situated at Galwelwa of Kandapala Korale of Malabe North in the District of Malabe Central Province and bounded on the North by Dinadaza and on the West by Galwelwa containing in extent Three Roods (A0-R3-P0) together with the trees, plantations and everything else standing thereon and registered in Volume of Folio D 215/176 at Malabe Land Registry.

MRS. R. R. DUNUWILLE
COMPANY SECRETARY

AUCTION SALE OF GOLD ARTICLES

Gold Articles pawned at following branches of Seylan Bank are to be sold by Public Auction. Items auctioned will be those pledged and yet unredeemed as indicated below. Auction will commence at 10.00 a.m. at each location.

Date of Auction	Place of Auction	Articles Pledged upto	Branch/Convenient Central Mobile Centre covered
06-09-2010	Maharagama Branch	2001-2009	Atitiya, Arisawella, Balangoda, Homagama, Kiripapane, Maharagama, Nawala, Ratanapara, Nugagoda, Kirindivula, Nidampitiya, Donalagasuruwa, Bandaragama, Nijerana, Horana, Malabe, Matugama, Baduraya, Meegoda, Nilambura, Ratanapara, Palmedula, Kottawalla, Ruwanwella, Kottiyakumbura.
10-07-2010	Maharagama Branch	25-05-2009	
16-10-2010	Maharagama Branch	01-09-2009	
20-02-2010	Wavuniya Branch	05-01-2009	Wavuniya
10-04-2010	No. 45, 2nd Cross Street	24-02-2009	
05-06-2010	Wavuniya	20-04-2009	
27-03-2010	Galle Branch	1-02-2009	Ambalangoda, Beeliya, Galle, Koggala, Malara, Tissamaharama, Embilipitiya, Hambantota, Kanburupitiya, Kalahagama...
17-07-2010	No. 34, 1st Cross Street	02-05-2009	
17-07-2010	Talber Town, Galle		
06-09-2010	Polonnaruwa Branch	20-01-2009	
12-05-2010	Lake View Junction	30-04-2009	
19-09-2010	Polonnaruwa	30-07-2009	
21-09-2010	Nuwara Eliya Branch	09-02-2009	
20-05-2010	No. 48, Park Road,	05-05-2009	
05-09-2010	Nuwara Eliya	15-07-2009	
20-02-2010	Negombo Branch	05-01-2009	Chilaw, Free Trade Zone, Gampaha, Ganemulla, Koduwathala, Kaluneriya, Kiribathgoda, Walala, Koshchikudala, Marandagashamulla, Maruwanagoda, Mingiyana, Negombo, Raddegama, Ja-Ela, Udappana, Jeyasingoda, Yakkala
09-05-2010	No. 141, Rajapaksa Broadway	25-03-2009	
14-09-2010	Negombo	23-05-2009	
20-02-2010	Trincomalee Branch	05-01-2009	Trincomalee
10-04-2010	No. 28/A, Central Road,	24-02-2009	
05-06-2010	Trincomalee	20-04-2009	
20-02-2010	Jaffna Branch	05-01-2009	Jaffna
10-04-2010	No. 560, Hospital Road	24-02-2009	
05-06-2010	Jaffna	20-04-2009	
20-02-2010	Balikesala Branch	05-01-2009	Balikesala, Kallanadi
10-04-2010	No. 61, Lays Avenue	24-02-2009	
05-06-2010	Balikesala	20-04-2009	
21-02-2010	Beddula Branch	05-01-2009	Beddula, Bandarawela
05-06-2010	No. 10, Coovewa Road,	20-04-2009	
15-09-2010	Beddula	30-05-2009	
20-02-2010	Anuradhapura Branch	05-01-2009	Anuradhapura, Katarinawa, Galamburuvuwa, Noddiyegama, Padaviya, Eppawala
15-05-2010	No. 250, Main Street	30-03-2009	
17-07-2010	Anuradhapura	31-05-2009	
21-02-2010	Ampara Branch	05-01-2009	Ampara, Sarnathurai
13-06-2010	No. 129, D. S. Senanayake	30-04-2009	
22-09-2010	Street, Ampara	30-05-2009	
20-09-2010	Colombo South Branch	03-02-2009	Colombo South, Panadura, Dehiwala, Kallitara, Kalubowila, Benurwa, Mount Lavinia, Boralle, Ceylinco House, Cinnamon Gardens, First City Office, Grandpass, Soysapana, Herold, Town, Millennium, Kollupitiya, Maradana, Morakumbura, CN Moor Street, Kottahena, Santhakumbura.
12-05-2010	33 Galle Road, Colombo 05	30-04-2009	
19-09-2010		30-07-2009	
10-04-2010	Kandy Branch	24-02-2009	Pollella, Kogalla, Gampaha, Mawatha, Mawatha, Kattugoda, Nawalapitiya, Kandy.
19-09-2010	No. 65, Kings Street, Kandy	09-09-2009	
10-04-2010	Kurunegala Branch	29-02-2009	Warapola, Kulliyapitiya, Marandagama, Dambulla.
17-07-2010	No. 54, Colombo Road	31-05-2009	

Bank has the right to conduct the auctions on the basis of individual branches or any combination of branches and also has the right to cancel the auction without prior notice.

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SP CM ready to take on Fonseka

by Lalith Chaminda and S. K. Kaluarachi, Galle Corrs.



If Sarath Fonseka contests the next general election from the Galle District, Southern Province Chief Minister Shan Wijelal de Silva will enter the fray on the UPFA ticket.

The Chief Minister said that Fonseka had learnt a bitter lesson at the recently concluded Presidential election and he would be another lesson which he would not forget, if he decided to contest from the Galle District.

Recalling Fonseka's defeat in his birth place, Ambalangoda, at the Presidential election, the Chief Minister said the UPFA would score a spectacular win at the forthcoming parliamentary polls. He said he was confident that the UPFA would have seven MPs from the Galle District.

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS, SRI LANKA

Eng. (Prof.) R. H. Paul
Memorial Lecture

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by
Eng. Nihal Kularatna
(Senior Lecturer, Department of Engineering, University of Waikato Hamilton, New Zealand)

Tuesday - February 9, 2010
1715 hrs.

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