



BUDGET PROMISES: BEYOND PARLIAMENT

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BUDGET PROMISES: BEYOND PARLIAMENT

"Budget Promises: Beyond Parliament" is a pioneering online platform that tracks the government's performance in delivering on its budget promises.

The platform was launched in 2017 and seeks to answer two basic questions about the promises the government makes in its annual Budget Speech:

- Is the government doing what it is saying?
- Is the government saying what it is doing?

By giving the public access to the answers to these questions, the dashboard aims to;

- (i) Improve visibility of the government's budget promises; and
- (ii) Hold it accountable for these promises.

HOW IT WORKS

BudgetPromises: Beyond Parliament tracks expenditure proposals or 'promises' read in the Budget Speech. In 2019, the platform also began tracking regulatory proposals, such as changes to legislation and regulations, which do not have an expenditure allocation. The 2021 mid-year assessment tracked 31 expenditure proposal. The year-end assessment will consider 12 regulatory proposals in addition to the 31 expenditure proposals.

Year	Expenditure proposals			Regulatory Proposals
rear	Selection Threshold ¹	Number of proposals	Total value of proposals	Number of proposals
2017	Above LKR 1Bn	37	LKR 116,910 Mn	None
2018	Above LKR 1Bn	38	LKR 149,350	None
2019	Above LKR 500 Mn	37	LKR 100,875	22
2020²	-	24	-	10

¹ In 2017 and 2018, the selection threshold was based only on the proposed allocation of expenditure for the proposals. In 2019, the selection threshold was based on the addition of the proposed allocation proposal and its already allocated amount, due to the change in reporting format of the Budget Speech.

² In 2020 due to the absence of a budget speech the platform tracked 24 cabinet decisions—a combination of expenditure and regulatory policy decisions—made from January to June 2020. The decisions tracked were chosen based on the ability to identify an implementing agency and those that contained trackable outcomes. In 2019, the progress of budget proposals were hindered as a result of the



2021 At	bove LKR 1 Bn	31	LKR 284,000	12
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The platform is updated twice a year³. Proposals are assessed using two indicators: **Openness** and **Progress**. The mid-year assessment assesses the progress and openness of the expenditure proposals for the first six months of the respective year. Year- end assessment considers the progress and openness of both expenditure and regulatory proposals. The openness indicator for year-end assessments combines the openness assessments for both expenditure and regulatory proposals.

For the 2021 mid-year assessments, RTI applications for all proposals were filed on the 15th of November 2021. Information received during the 17th of November to the 15th of January 2022 were considered for the assessment. The time line for receiving information was based the on RTI Act No.12 of 2016. Any information received beyond this time period was not considered for assessments.

1. OPENNESS

1.1. OPENNESS TRACKER

This tracks to what extent the government is **saying what it is doing** about each promise. It measures the government's level of disclosure of information about the implementation of each promise. The tracker uses information obtained via relevant government websites and requests filed under the Right to Information (RTI) Act. In 2017 and 2018, information was also collected via visits to government agencies and informal requests with the agencies. However, this method of information collection has been discontinued.

The mid-year assessment measures the extent to which the government has been open about disclosing information on the implementation of the first six months of progress on expenditure proposals. The year-end assessment measures the government's openness on disclosing information on progress for both expenditure and regulatory proposals for the full year. ⁴

Openness is based on the information available at the time of assessment and is categorised as follows:

Easter Sunday Attacks. Therefore, 8 proposals from the 2019 Budget Speech were chosen to assess their progress in 2020

³ As the Budget Speech for 2019 was delayed and only presented to Parliament in March 2019, only a year-end assessment was carried out in 2019. Due to the absence of a budget speech in 2020 only a year-end assessment was carried out in 2020.

⁴ Openness of Regulatory proposals were assessed from 2020 onwards.



\bigcirc	Closed	No information is available to determine progress for full period of assessment
	Restricted	Information is insufficient to determine progress of the promise for the full period of assessment
	Uncooperative	Information available on the promise required considerable effort to obtain and/or assess progress
	Responsive	Information on progress of the promise was available upon request in a timely manner
\bigcirc	Open	Information on full progress of the promise is proactively disclosed



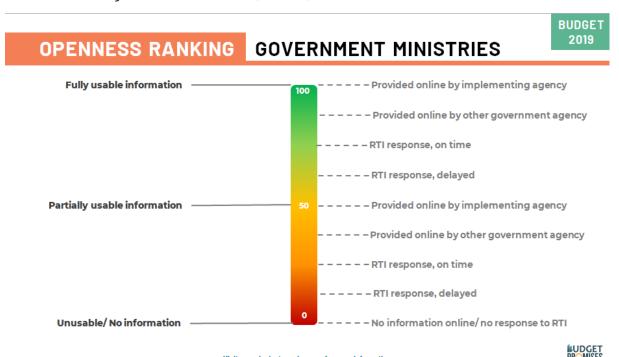
1.2. OPENNESS RANKINGS FOR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

This provides a comparative ranking of the openness of government agencies in disclosing information about the promises they are responsible for. Each agency receives a score between 0 to 100, with a score of 100 indicating the highest level of openness. Government agencies are then ranked from highest to lowest, indicating their relative performance during the year.

The aggregate score for the government agency is calculated as a weighted average of the scores of each promise under the purview of the agency. Each promise is scored on a scale of 0 to 100. The score for each individual promise is calculated based on (i) The usability of the information in evaluating the progress of the promise and (ii) the ease of obtaining this information.

Usability of information: Each promise receives an initial score of 100, 50 or 0 based on whether the information available is fully usable, partially usable or unusable.

Ease of obtaining information: The initial score on usability is adjusted based on the ease of obtaining the information. Proactive disclosure, i.e. providing information online is given a higher score comparison to reactive disclosure, i.e. obtaining information through requests filed under the Right to Information Act (RTI Act).



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2. PROGRESS

2.1 PROGRESS TRACKER FOR EXPENDITURE PROPOSALS

This tracks to what extent the government is **doing what it is saying**. It evaluates the level of progress of the government in implementing the promises, based on timelines and milestones established by the agency responsible.

For *the mid-year assessment* progress is categorised as follows:

?	Undisclosed	No information is available on the promise or available information is unusable
•	Broken	The promise has been dropped or postponed and is not scheduled for implementation in the year of assessment
(Ma)	Neglected	The promise is scheduled for implementation but not initiated
(3)	Lagging	The promise is being implemented but is behind schedule
(iii)	Progressing	The promise is being implemented and is on track or ahead of target ⁵

For <u>the year-end assessment</u> progress is categorised as follows:

3	Undisclosed	No information is available to determine the status of the promise or available information is insufficient/unusable
×	Broken	No progress has been made on the promise or the promise has been removed from the action plan
	Poor	Progress on the promise is less than 33% of the target
	Partial	Progress on the promise is between 33% - 66% of the target
	Substantial	Progress on the promise is between 66% - 80% of the target
	Fulfilled	Progress on the promise is over 80% of the target

 $^{^{\}rm 5}$ A promise is considered to be progressing if progress achieved as of 30 June of the budget year is within 90% of the target set for the period.



2.2 PROGRESS TRACKER FOR REGULATORY PROPOSALS

In 2019, *BudgetPromises.Org* expanded its scope to track the progress of policy commitments made by the government in the Budget Speech. These proposals do not have an expenditure allocation.

The proposals were selected on the basis of requiring legislative enactment or regulatory notification (gazettes) to be considered "Implemented" or "Partially implemented". Information was obtained from publicly available information such as gazette notifications, government circulars, and Department of Government Information communiques on cabinet decisions and responses to RTI applications filed with the respective oversight government agencies

This tracks the level of progress made by the government in implementing the policy proposals introduced in the Budget Speech.

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Undisclosed

No information is available to determine the status of the proposal or available information is insufficient/unusable.



Not implemented

The required legislative enactment or regulatory notification (gazette) has not been published for any part of the proposal. This has been confirmed in writing by the relevant ministry/ government institution.



Partially Implemented

The required legislative enactment or regulatory notification (gazette) has been published for some but not all parts of the proposal.



Implemented

The policy proposal has been fully implemented. The legislative enactment or regulatory notification (gazette) required has been published for the full scope of the proposal and no further action is required.



3. DETAILS OF PROGRESS, OPENNESS, AND RANKING ASSESSMENTS

Expenditure Proposals

Proposal	Openness	Progress	Agency
	RESPONSIVE	LAGGING	
Legal sector infrastructure development	NBD identified the Ministry of Justice as the implementing agency. In response to the RTI filed the MoJ, provided the progress report of the legal division as at 30the September 2021. The progress report did not provide a clear breakdown the budget promise and focused only on the infrastructure of courthouses making it difficult to assess progress different aspects of the promise. Limited information regarding the proposal was obtained via web checks.	In the document titled 'The progress report of the Legal Division from 1st January to 30th September 2021' the section titled Engineering Unit provided the summary of development projects under budget proposals and has an amended allocation of LKR 2,794 Mn out of which at the end of September LKR 480 Mn has been spent, accordingly financial progress of the proposal is 17%. The section titled planning division of the document does not set out clear targets for which the financial progress can be compared against, therefor an assumption was made that in the first six months of the year at least 50% of the allocation should have been spent, based on this the proposal falls below target. Further the information does not clearly specify if the amended allocation is for the entire budget promise therefor the initial allocation of LKR 6000 Mn given in the 2021 budget speech is considered as is.	Ministry of Justice
	UNCOOPERATIVE	NEGLECTED	Ministry of Health



Development of rural hospitals	NBD identified both the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Public Services Provincial Council and Local Government as responsible authorities. In response to the RTI filed with the Ministry of Public Services Provincial Council and Local Government noted that the proposal does not fall under their purview. The Ministry of Health acknowledged the RTI and noted that the allocated amount had not been received at the time of assessment. Establishing contact with the ministry and ensuring that information was received required following up on several occasions. No information regarding the proposal was available via web checks.	The Ministry of Health response stated that the allocation of LKR 5,000 Mn had not been received at the time of assessment.	
	RESPONSIVE	Lagging	State Ministry of Rural and Schools sports infrastructure improvement
Rural Sports Development	NBD identified the Ministry of Public Services, Provincial Council and Local Government as the responsible authority, therefor the RTI was initially filed with the said ministry. In response to the RTI filed with the Ministry of Public Services Provincial Council and Local Government noted that the proposal does not fall under the purview of their ministry and advised us to file it with the Ministry of Youth and Sports. The RTI application filed to the Ministry of Youth and Sports was transferred to the State Ministry of Rural and Schools Sports Infrastructure improvement where partial information on the proposal was received. The progress	The progress report for 2021 posted on the State Ministry website indicates that the LKR 3,000 million was allocated to the State Ministry for several projects. However, the RTI response contained information relating to one project titled 'Rural Sports Development Programme', which is one of the 16 projects listed in the progress report. Based on the information that was accessible online there is evidence of physical progress of certain sub projects that indicate the state ministry has initiated the budget promise. However, as the targets for all projects are not clearly stated it cannot be assessed if the progress is in line or above	



	report for the ministry and certain projects under the state ministry was proactively disclosed online.	target for all subprojects, therefor a progress assessment of lagging was provided.	
	CLOSED	Undisclosed	Ministry of Education
Development of Rural Schools	NBD identified the Ministry of Public Services, Provincial Council and Local Government and Ministry of Education as responsible authorities, therefor the RTI was initially filed with the said ministries. The Ministry of Public Services, provincial council and Local Government informed us that the proposal did not fall under the purview of their ministry. The ministry of Education transferred the RTI to the Ministry of Education in all 9 provinces. The respective government agencies in the provincial council transferred the RTI to respective Departments of Education. The RTI for this proposal was transferred multiple times with no government agency providing any usable information. Further	No information was provided within the stipulated time frame or was available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	



	there was no information regarding the proposal was obtained via web checks.		
	OPEN	NEGLECTED	State Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government Affairs
Waste Management- Pradeshiya Sabha	NBD identified the Ministry of Public Services Provincial Council and Local Government as the responsible authority. Therefor initially the RTI was filed with the said Ministry and was subsequently transferred to the State Ministry of Provincial Council and Local Government Affairs. All attempts to contact and follow up with the state ministry were futile. However financial progress of the projects under the State Ministry were proactively disclosed online.	Based on the information made available online via the financial progress as at 30th June 2021 a provision of LKR 1600 Mn was provided for the budget promise, however none of the allocations have been spent. Considering that there is no financial progress made, the progress of the promise has been categorized as neglected.	
Infrastructure - Pradeshiya Sabha	OPEN	NEGLECTED	State Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government Affairs



	NBD identified the Ministry of Public Services Provincial Council and Local Government as the responsible authority. Therefor initially the RTI was filed with the Ministry of Public Services Provincial council and Local Government and was subsequently transferred to the State Ministry of Provincial Council and Local Government Affairs. All attempts to contact and follow up with the state ministry were futile. However financial progress of the projects under the State ministry were proactively disclosed online.	Based on the information made available online via the financial progress as of 30th June 2021 a provision of LKR 1600 Mn was provided for the budget promise, however none of the allocations have been spent. Considering that there is no financial progress made, the progress of the promise has been categorized as neglected.	
University	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	State Ministry of Skills, Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation
Infrastructure Facility - Establishment of City University	The information received from the RTI stated that there has been no action plan drafted and listed down activities that have been conducted under the project. In addition, the concept paper for the establishments of the city universities was provided, however no specific physical or financial targets / progress were provided. Further limited information regarding the promises was obtained via web checks	The information provided via the RTI was vague and did not have any quantification that could be utilized to assess the physical or financial progress. Therefor despite there being statements on the initiation of the promise, due to the lack of targets to compare the stated progress, the promise was classified as undisclosed	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Department of Wildlife Conservation
Elephant Human Conflict	NBD identified the Ministry of Wildlife and Forest Conservation as the responsible authority, therefor the RTI was initially filed with the said Ministry. The Ministry subsequently transferred the RTI to the State Ministry of Wildlife Protection,	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	



	Adoption of Safety Measures Including the construction electric fences and Trenches and Reforestation and Forest Resource Development, which then transferred the RTI to the Department of Wildlife Conservation. The Department of Wildlife requested an extension of 14 days, however the letter for the extension request was received on the 12th of January whereas the cutoff date for considering information was 15th of January, therefor it was not considered. Further no information on the progress of the promise was available through web checks.		
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Department of Forest Conservation
Forest Conservation	NBD identified the Ministry of Wildlife and Forest Conservation as the responsible authority, therefor the RTI was initially filed with the said Ministry. The ministry subsequently transferred the RTI to the Department of Forest Conservation, where an acknowledgment letter was received but no information was received. Further there was no information on the progress of the promise was available through web checks.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
Distance education	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	State Ministry of Education Reforms , Open Universities and Distance Learning Promotions



	NBD identified the Ministry of Education as the responsible authority, therefor the RTI was initially filed with the said Ministry. The Ministry subsequently transferred the RTI to the State Ministry of Education Reforms, Open Universities and Distance Learning Promotion. Despite constant communication and receiving an acknowledgement letter no information was received. Further there was no information on the progress of the promise was available through web checks.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	UNCOOPERATIVE	NEGLECTED	State Ministry of Skills, Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation
Vocational education	The NBD identified the Ministry of Education as the implementing agency. The RTI filed to the Cabinet ministry was transferred to the State Ministry of Skills, Development, Vocational Education, Research, and Innovation, where an acknowledgement letter was received. However, despite constantly following up with the information officer no information was received. However limited information regarding the promise was available on the Presidents Media division website.	The information available on the president's media division confirms the launch of the student bursary programme, however no further information is available on the implementation of the programme. The proposal in the Budget speech also includes increasing the current annual intake of 100,000 students to state-run vocational education institutes up to 200,000. However, there are No Statistics available to back this statement.	



Plantations	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Plantation State Ministry of Company Establishment Reforms, Tea Estate Crops, Tea Factory Modernization and Tea Export Diversification State Ministry of Coconut, Kithul and Palmyrah State Ministry of Development of Minor Crops Plantation Including Sugar Cane Maize, Cashew, Pepper, Cinnamon, Cloves, Betel, Related Industries and Export Promotion Cultivation Promotion and Related Industrial Product Manufacturing &Export Diversifications
	The NBD identified the Ministry of Plantation as the responsible authority. The ministry of plantation response stated that the total allocation of LKR 2,000 million was broken down and allocated among the cabinet ministry and three state ministries. The action plan and progress report covered the allocation of Lkr 250 million received by the cabinet ministry. RTI was refiled with the respective state ministries.	The action plan and progress report provided by the cabinet ministry only relates to only 12.5% (250 million) of the total budgetary allocation. The action plan does provide physical and financial targets however the progress report simply lists down activities that have been undertaken, therefor the progress cannot be quantified in physical or financial aspect. The State Ministry of Coconut,	



	Two out of the three State Ministries responded to the RTI application; however, the response came in after the cutoff date for the data collection, therefor it was not considered when determining the progress category. State Ministry of company estate Reforms, Tea and rubber estates related crops cultivation and factories modernization and tea and rubber export promotions responded to the RTI application requesting a payment to be made which is line with the RTI act to receive information, however since the letter was received beyond the cutoff date, it was not considered.	Kithuland Palmyrah Cultivation Promotion Related Industrial Product Manufacturing and Export Diversification provided information relating to the proposal pm 18th of February 2022, which was a month passed the cutoff date for data collection. Therefor it was not considered when determining the progress category.	
Drip Irrigation	RESTRICTED	undisclosed	Ministry of Plantation State Ministry of Company Establishment Reforms, Tea Estate Crops, Tea Factory Modernization and Tea Export Diversification State Ministry of Coconut, Kithul and Palmyrah State Ministry of Development of Minor Crops Plantation Including Sugar Cane Maize, Cashew, Pepper, Cinnamon, Cloves, Betel, Related Industries and Export Promotion Cultivation Promotion and



		Related Industrial Product Manufacturing and Export Diversification
The NBD identified the Ministry of Plantation as the responsible authority. The response from the cabinet ministry stated that the total allocation of LKR 1,500 Mn was broken down and allocated among the cabinet ministry and three state ministries. The action plan and progress report covered the allocation of LKR 75 Mn received by the cabinet ministry. RTI was refiled with the respective state ministries. Two out of the three State Ministries responded to the RTI application; however, the response came in after the cutoff date for the data collection, therefor it was not considered when determining the progress category. State Ministry of company estate Reforms, Tea and rubber estates related crops cultivation and factories modernization and tea and rubber export promotions responded to the RTI application requesting a payment to be made, which is line with the RTI act to	The information provided by the cabinet ministry only relates to only 5% (LKR 75 Mn) of the total budgetary allocation. The action plan does provide physical and financial targets however the progress report simply lists down activities that have been undertaken, therefor the progress cannot be quantified in physical or financial aspect. The State Ministry of Coconut, Kithuland Palmyrah Cultivation Promotion Related Industrial Product Manufacturing and Export Diversification provided information relating to the proposal pm 18th of February 2022, which was a month passed the cutoff date for data collection. Therefor it was not considered when determining the progress category.	



	receive information, however since the letter was received beyond the cutoff date, it was not considered.		
	RESPONSIVE	PROGRESSING	Ministry of Public Security
Public security	The NBD identified the Ministry of Public Security as the responsible authority. The Ministry of Public Security responded that they are able to provide partial information on the proposal and transferred the RTI to the police headquarters for the rest of the information. However, the information provided by the ministry of public security was sufficient to make an assessment.	The information received from the RTI included action plan and progress report as at 30th September 2021. Under the Public security project there are 29 subprojects, out of which 17 projects have achieved or exceeded target. As majority of the projects have achieved the target the entire budget promise has been identified as progressing.	
	UNCOOPERATIVE	LAGGING	Ministry of Youth and Sports
Sports economy	The NBD identified the Ministry of Youth and Sports as the implementing agency. In response to the RTI filed the Ministry, questioned the eligibility of Verite Research to request information via RTI, despite the submission of the certificate of incorporation. When following up with the ministry via telephone calls it was informed that no information can be provided until the ministry receives a confirmation from the Register Generals department of Sri Lanka. However partial information regarding the proposal was available in the Department of Project Management and Monitoring (DPMM) quarter 2 report of 2021	The DPMM Q2 report notes that synthetic races track at Colombo -Torrington and Kurunagala - Maligapitiya playgrounds with a total estimated cost of LKR 1800 million is being successfully implemented. The budget speech identifies the establishment of synthetic racetracks as an activity to be conducted under the budget promise therefor there is evidence that the promise has been initiated. However there is no information on progress status of the other activities of the promise.	
Young Women Entrepreneur	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	State Ministry of Samurdhi and Household Economy



	The NBD identified Ministry of Youth and Sports, State Ministry of Cooperative Services, Marketing Development and Consumer Production and State Ministry of Samurdhi, Household economy, Micro Finance, Self-Employment and Business as the responsible authorities. The State Ministry of Cooperative Services, Marketing development and Consumer Production responded that the proposal does not fall under the purview of the ministry. The State Ministry of Samurdhi and Ministry of Youth and Sports did not acknowledge or respond to the RTI Application. Web check conducted on the proposal led to a cabinet decision where the State Ministry of Samurdhi was identified as the monitoring agency.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	OPEN	Lagging	Department of Samurdhi Development
Empowerment Samurdhi families	The NBD identified the of State Ministry of Samurdhi, Home Economy, Micro Finance, Self-Employment and Business Development as the responsible authority. The RTI filed to the state ministry was transferred the department of Samurdhi Development where there was no acknowledgment or response to the RTI. However, information regarding the physical and financial progress of the promise was available on the DPMM Quarter 2 report.	As per the information provided in the DPMM Q2 report identifies the project as being highly behind schedule, therefore in line with the DPMM assessments the project has been identified as lagging.	
Walking paths and common facilities	OPEN	LAGGING	state ministry of Urban Development, Coast Conservative



			Waste Disposal and Public Sanitation
	The NBD identified the State Ministry of Urban Development, Coast conservation Waste Disposal and Public sanitation as the responsible authority. The RTI response states that the action plan and implementation of the action plan would be available online. However only the action plan was accessible. The progress report for 2021 was available and used for the assessment of the promise.	The action plan and progress report was available on the state ministry website, despite the action plan breaking down physical target on a monthly basis, the progress report provided physical progress as at the end of September 2021. The project has 33 individual projects, out of which 5 projects had commencement dates between January and June of 2021. Based on the physical progress as at end of September all 5 projects fall below the scheduled target.	
	RESPONSIVE	LAGGING	Ministry of Water Supply
Water for All 2021	The NBD identified The Ministry of Water Supply as the responsible authority. The ministry provided the revised action plan and progress as at the end of quarter 3 of 2021. No informational on the progress of the promises was available through web checks.	The information received from the RTI included the revised action plan, physical progress and financial progress as at end of quarter 3 in 2021. Under the Water for All project there are 8 subprojects and a total of 145 individual projects. The physical progress was provided for each individual project but was not provided for the WFA. Physical progress of 107 of the 145 projects fell below the physical target set out in the action plan. Therefore the a progress assessment of lagging was provided.	
Drinking Water	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Water Supply



	The NBD identified the Ministry of Water Supply as the responsible authority and two RTI's were filed to the Ministry of Water supply requesting for information on the Water for All Project and Drinking Water Project. When providing the information only the WFA had a distinct action plan and progress report. The rest of the information was given as whole for the Ministry of Water Supply therefor identifying the information related to the Drinking Water Proposal was not possible. Further there was no information on the progress of the promise was available through web checks.	Despite receiving information via RTI, the information was not relevant to the proposal and therefor no assessment can be made regarding the progress of the proposal.	
	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Health
People centered health service	NBD identified the Ministry of Health as the responsible authority for the proposal and thereby an RTI was filed with the said ministry. The information officer of the Ministry informed us via telephone that the data is being collated and would be sent across within the 14-day time frame as required in the RTI Act. However, the final response letter from the MoH states that the proposal does not fall under the purview of the ministry. The MoH also weren't able to direct us towards the implementing agency of the proposal. Further there No Information on the progress on the promise was available through web checks	As the MoH states that the proposal does not fall under the purview of the ministry and no other government agency can be identified as the implementing agency, no information is available to assess the progress of the proposal.	
Infants and pregnant mothers	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	State Ministry of Women and Child Development, Pre- schools and Primary Education, School



			Infrastructure and Education Services
	The RTI filed to the NBD identified the Ministry of Health as the responsible authority. Therefor initially the RTI was filed with the Ministry of Health and was subsequently transferred to the Family Health Bureau. The Family Health bureau response stated that the proposal pertains to the purchase and storing of raw materials from farmers to increase Thriposha production and this is done by Thriposha Ltd which no longer falls under the MoH but falls under the State Ministry of Women and Child Development, Pre-schools and Primary Education, School Infrastructure and Education Services. However, since the response was from the FHB was received past the cutoff date of data collection for the research, the RTI was not refiled to the state ministry. Further no Information on the progress on the promise was available through web checks	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Industries
Registration of identity of mineral sands	NBD identified the Ministry of Industries as the responsible authority. RTI information was acknowledged by the Ministry of Industries, however there was no information provided. Further no information on the progress on the progress on the promise was available through web checks	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	



	RESPONSIVE	LAGGING	State Ministry of Rattan, Brass, Pottery, Furniture and Rural Industrial Promotion,
Development of traditional villages	The NBD identified the Ministry of Industries as the implementing agency. However, the RTI filed to the Ministry of Industries was transferred to the State Ministry of State Ministry of Rattan, Brass, Pottery, Furniture and Rural Industrial Promotion. The State Ministry responded to the RTI request and provided the Action Plan as well as the Progress Report for the proposal.	The action plan and progress report were provided by the state ministry. However, information regarding physical progress was unclear, therefore financial progress was used to conduct the assessment. By the end of Q2, only 4 of 6 sub-projects had begun implementation. Depending on the subproject financial progress varied between 5% and 44%.	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Defence
National Security	NBD identified the Ministry of Defence as the responsible authority. RTI Request was rejected under section 5 (1)(h)(ii) of the RTI Act, which allows government agencies to deny RTI application the grounds of exposing the identity of a confidential source of information. The Ministry of Defence has consistently rejected RTI applications throughout the assessment years.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Highways



100,000km Road Program	The NBD identified the Ministry of highways as the responsible authority . The RTI filed the Ministry of Highways was subsequently transferred to the Road Development Authority. Establishing any form of contact with the Ministry of Highways was futile and information was not received under the request for information filed under the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016 . Further no Information on the progress on the promise was available through web checks.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Highways
Rural bridge development	The RTI was filed with the Ministry of Highways which. Establishing any form of contact with the Ministry of Highways was futile and information was not received under the request for information filed under the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016. Further no Information on the progress on the promise was available through web checks.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	
	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Technology
Gamata Sanniwedanaya" (communication for the village)	The NBD identified the Ministry of Technology as the responsible authority. Despite acknowledgment of the letter via telephone information was not received under the request for information filed under the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016 and limited information was available via web checks.	No information was provided assess the progress of the proposal and the information available online was insufficient to assess the progress.	
Techno Parks	RESTRICTED	UNDISCLOSED	



			Ministry of Technology
	The NBD identified the Ministry of Technology as the responsible authority. Despite acknowledgment of the letter via telephone, information was not received under the request for information filed under the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016 and limited information was available via web checks.	News Articles online reports that the techno parks in Galle has been established, however there is no information on the Ministry Website or any government agency to corroborate the statements.	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	Ministry of Technology
Technological improvement	The NBD identified the Ministry of Technology as the responsible authority. Despite acknowledgment of the letter via telephone information was not received under the request for information filed under the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016 and no information was available via web checks.	No information was provided assess the progress of the proposal and the information available online was insufficient to assess the progress.	
	CLOSED	UNDISCLOSED	State Ministry of Tanks , Reservoirs and Irrigation development related to Rural Paddy fields
Tank Rehabilitation	The NBD identified the Ministry of Irrigation as the responsible authority. The RTI was filed with the Ministry of Irrigation on the 8th of November 2021, for which an acknowledgment letter was received, the cabinet ministry transferred the RTI to the State Ministry. However, the state ministry did not respond or acknowledge the RTI.	No information was provided or available online to assess the progress of the proposal.	



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