

Program for the Protection of Public Resources
Transparency International Sri Lanka
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08th October 2019

Mr. Mahinda Deshapriya,
Chairman,
Election Commission of Sri Lanka,
Rajagiriya.

Dear Mr. Deshapriya,

Using State owned Buildings for Political Propaganda Campaigning

As per a report submitted to Transparency International Sri Lanka (TISL) by its Ampara District Observer, a Government Quarters building of the Irrigation Department at I. D. Q. 06, Pandukabhaya Mawatha, Ampara is being used as a District Office of Sri Lanka Freedom Party. Please find the attached corresponding photographic evidence in this regard.

Direction No. 6 (i) of the Extraordinary Gazette No.2141/52 of 19th September 2019 stipulate that government buildings should not be used to conduct political meetings, discussions, etc. This therefore is a potential violation of the gazetted directions of the Election Commission.

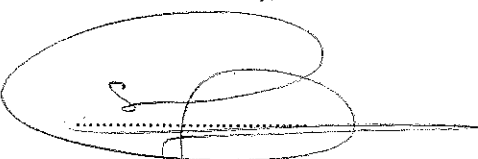
Please be kind enough to look into this complaint and take prompt action, if necessary, to ensure electoral integrity.

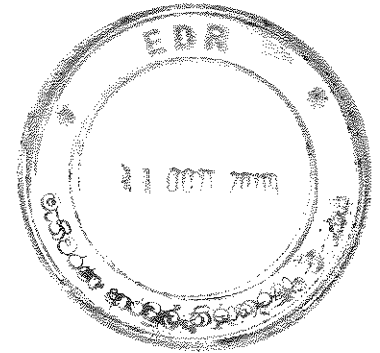
If you require more information, please be kind enough to contact the Provincial Coordinator Mr. Kavin Mihiran or National Coordinator Mr. Lakwijaya Bandara on 0763223442/0763223662.

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Thank You.

Yours Sincerely,


Asoka Obeyesekere
Executive Director





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