

The committee's terms of references, and details of current membership

Ms. S.L.D.K. Wijayasinghe, Secretary General, Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO,
Committee Chairman

Mr. Wasantha Ekanayake, Secretary, Ministry of Culture & the Arts

Committee member

Dr.Nanda Wickramasinghe, Secretary, Ministry of National Heritage

Committee member

Mr.W.Sunil, Director General, National Library & Documentation Services Board

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Dr. Saroja Wettasinghe, Director, Department of National Archives Director.

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Ms. Sanuja Kasthuriarachchi, Director, Department of National Museum

Committee member

Prof. Piyadasa Ranasinghe, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kelaniya

Committee member

Dr. Danister L. Perera- specialized in Cultural Anthropology

Committee member

Prof.K.D Paronavithana –Historian

Committee member

Mr. Dambane Gunawardena – Representative of Indigenous community

Committee member

Mr.Udaya Cabral, Document Conservator, Head, Conservation & Preservation Division,
National Library & Documentation Services Board

Secretary to the committee

Information to National Register

1. The Archives of the Dutch Central Government of Coastal Ceylon 1640-1796 – Deposited Department of National Archives
2. The manuscript of “Mahavamsa” , The manuscript contains unbroken history of Sri Lanka from over twenty two centuries- Deposited in Department of National Museums
3. The palm leaf manuscript of Sri Lankan indigenous medical text book written in Pali language –Deposited in the Bandaranayake Memorial Ayurveda Research Institute

Summary of Activities during 2013

1. Project on preparation of nominations for MOW register was commenced in the end of 2013 plans were made to compile five nominations on documentary heritage before January 2014, to be submitted for the MOW register. The project was funded by Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO.
2. Nomination on “Kandyan Convention” was submitted for consideration to include to MOWCAP regional register.
3. Conducted three MOW National Committee meetings and two subcommittee meetings.

Issues

National MOW committee has launched a program to preserve rare documents in the country by the project on “Aid to Preserve Rare Documents” in 2014. In addition preparation of web site for the MOW activities is being implemented in 2014 to make aware the public about the MOW program through the web site. All the activities are done under the limited budgetary allocation. Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO has funded several occasions. MOW National Committee is seeking grants for their activities this year.

Udaya Cabral

Secretary MOW National Committee

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Dear Madam,

Progress on Memory of the world program in 2013

With reference to your letter dated on 17.03.2014

I am sending here with the progress of Memory of the World (MOW) program 2013 according given template by MOWCAP.

Thank you

W.Sunil

Director General (Atg.)

Prof.Somaratna Balasooriya

Chairman