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Government Notifications

PILGRIMAGES ORDINANCE

Annual Perahara of Badulla Katharagama Devalaya

IN accordance with the powers vested in me by *Gazette notifications* No. 9902 of 10th September 1948, No. 10283 of 17th August 1951 and No. 14778 of 25th of March 1955 published under Chapter 362 of the Pilgrimage Act, and under the powers conferred (Divisional Secretaries) by Act, No. 58 of 1992, and according to the constitution published in No. 1622 *Gazette Notification* of 02.10.2009 on Annual Perahara of Badulla Katharagama Devalaya, I, Indika Gayan Pathirana, the Divisional Secretary of Badulla do hereby make the following orders in connection with the Annual Perahara of Badulla Katharagama Devalaya, 2026.

01. I do hereby notice that, the Annual Perahara of Badulla Katharagama Devalaya shall begin with “Kap Situvima” on 12th of September 2026 and by having inner Perahara from 12th to 17th September 2026 (6 days), by having Kumbal Perahara from 18th September to 22nd September 2026 (5 days), by having Randoli Perahara from 23rd September to 27th September 2026 (5 days), by having water cutting ceremony in the morning on 28th September 2026 and end in the afternoon on 28th September 2026 after having returned to the Devalaya.
02. Route of the Perahara:
The Perahara shall start from Badulla Katharagama Devalaya premises and proceed along Badulla Lower Street and reach to Badulla Muthiyangana Rajamaha Viharaya only on 27th of September, and after preceding the Perahara of Muthiyangana Raja Maha Viharaya it shall Proceed Longdon Road, Anagarika Dharmapala Mawatha, Cocowatte Road, Udayaraja Mawatha, Vel Bodiya Junction, King’s Street, Bazzar Street and along the Lower Street and back to the Throne.



03. Cooking and selling articles of trade are prohibited in and around Badulla Katharagama Devalaya compound where the throne of the Devalaya located.
04. Private vehicles are prohibited to park in the main roads during the Perahara Season. All types of vehicles, including bicycles and carts are prohibited to enter the Devala area without a permit issued by me or the Nilame in-charge of the Devalaya.
05. The permanent buildings and the buildings currently being constructed along the Perahara route under a formal approval given by Badulla Municipal Council must conform to the instructions of the Health Department. At the end of the Perahara, after having dismantled the temporary sheds, the lessees shall dispose of all polythene and other garbage lying along the route of Perahara and Devala premises as instructed by the Public Health Inspectors,
06. Construction of any temporary hut or building in and around the sacred area shall not be done without a permit obtained from me thereto.
07. No person shall construct any temporary hut or building of any form, or effect any extensions to any existing building on a street or on a land reserved for a street or in the sacred area without a permit obtained from me or from the Badulla Municipal Council.
08. Burning of crackers within the area is prohibited.
09. No person shall engage in selling tickets, flags or engage in any other task meant for collecting subscriptions, within the camping site indicated in clause No.03, without the prior approval of an Authorized Officer of Divisional Secretary.

INDIKA GAYAN PATHIRANA,
Divisional Secretary,
Badulla.

At Divisional Secretariat,
Badulla,
On 07th of September 2026.

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