

# Translation of Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha Meeting Minutes

7th Session of Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha

Minutes of the 4th Monthly General Meeting held on 2025.09.09

## Attendance:

- Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith
- Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara
- Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara
- Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha
- Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.)
- Hon. Member Nishantha Nandakumara Munasinghe
- Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara
- Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe
- Hon. Member D.K. Piyadasa Wijeyrathna
- Hon. Member T.M. Jagath Chaminda Kumara
- Hon. Member U.G. Dimenthra Ranganath
- Hon. Member R.J. Lionel
- Hon. Member Hashitha Subodana Maratuduwage
- Hon. Member P.G. Basindya Pushpamali (Ms.)
- Hon. Member Samalsha Ushadi Wijewikrama (Ms.)
- Hon. Member Dilka Hansika Abeysundara (Ms.)
- Hon. Member J.L. Sumith
- Hon. Member Nihal Abeywickramasinghe

The monthly meeting of the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha for September 2025 commenced at 9:30 AM on 2025.09.09 under the chairmanship of Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith at the meeting hall of the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha office.

## 1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the General Meeting held on August 12, 2025.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara

## 2. Special Announcements by the Chairman

We express our condolences for all those who died in the Tangalle Municipal Council. Similarly, all officers have collectively raised Rs. 90,000.00, the highest amount raised by any institution in

the Southern Province so far, to donate. Those who wish can contribute to this. Let us observe a minute's silence to pay respect to all the deceased.

Accordingly, everyone stood and observed a minute's silence to pay respects.

### **3. Presentation of Messages, Petitions, Complaints and Communications to the Assembly**

- A letter titled "Acquisition of Lands for Development Activities and Obtaining an Access Road" sent by the Department of Provincial Councils (Southern Province) was tabled in the assembly.

#### **Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (from 9:50 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.) Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

The above tabled letter was discussed in the working committee.

#### **Converting the Working Committee into a General Meeting (9:55 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.) Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

#### **Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

To make a decision regarding this letter, all members will conduct a local inspection and make a decision after the next General Meeting.

- A letter titled "Vandalism of Advertisement Boards on Passenger Bus Shelters" sent by the Southern Province Road Passenger Transport Authority was tabled.

#### **Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

The assembly will carry out maintenance work and send the expenditure report to the Southern Province Road Passenger Transport Authority.

- A letter titled "Sale of Unusable Electric Bulbs without Warranty Period" submitted by Development Officer P.K.R.S. Sanjeewa was tabled.

#### **Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

We will arrange to sell the bulbs quickly.

- A letter titled "Regarding the Quantity of Electric Bulbs Issued from the Warehouse for Street Light Repairs" submitted by Development Officer P.K.R.S. Sanjeewa was tabled.

**Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

Currently, 15 bulbs are issued daily from the warehouse for street light maintenance. Since this quantity is insufficient on some days, we will increase the quantity to 25 bulbs.

- A letter titled "Regarding Transfer of Funds from Members' Allowances to Party Funds" sent by Samagi Jana Balawegaya was tabled.
- A letter titled "Regarding Obtaining Abattoir License for the Year 2025" sent by A.C.M. Sanoon, Horagoda, Telijjawila was tabled.

**Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

I say this license should be given. Because even if we don't give this license, meat trade happens illegally. That meat is not health-safe for food. My opinion is that this license should be given on the basis of allowing people to purchase meat in a health-safe manner. Through this, the assembly also receives income. Present your opinions.

## **4. Questions Due as Per the Agenda - None**

## **5. Motions Due as Per the Agenda**

### **Motion Number 5:1**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Finance and Policy Formulation Committee report held on 2025.07.31.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe

Accordingly, the motion to approve the Finance and Policy Formulation Committee report held on 2025.07.31 was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:2**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Finance and Policy Formulation Committee report held on 2025.08.04.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara

Accordingly, the motion to approve the Finance and Policy Formulation Committee report held on 2025.08.04 was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:3**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Industrial Services Committee report held on 2025.08.27.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member U.G. Dimenthra Ranganath

Accordingly, the motion to approve the Industrial Services Committee report held on 2025.08.27 was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:4**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Tender Opening Committee report held on 2025.08.27.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara

Accordingly, the motion to approve the Tender Opening Committee report held on 2025.08.27 was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:5**

As notified by the Malimbada Divisional Secretariat's letter dated 2025.08.01, since the land extent of 0.0623 hectares where the Malimbada Handicrafts School is located has been transferred to the Department of Industrial Development through a deed of transfer dated 2023.02.10 according to the Commissioner General of Lands' approved letter 4/14/5799, I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to remove the said land, to which the assembly has no rights, from the land and buildings register as per the instructions of the Audit and Management Committee held on 2025.07.15.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member Nishantha Nandakumara Munasinghe

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:6**

Edirisooriya Arachchige David Appuhamy, residing in Telijjawila, Walpita, Kongahawatte, has transferred 1½ laha (measures) of paddy field at Upper Depala to the assembly for the purpose of constructing an access road from Telijjawila, Kadduwa main road to the Talgas Addara Walpita Community Hall. Since the land area belonging to that paddy field is currently physically existing as a road, I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to remove the said paddy field from the land and buildings register as per the instructions of the Audit and Management Committee held on 2025.07.15.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member D.K. Piyadasa Wijeyrathna

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved to remove from the land and buildings register and include in the road register, as no one objected.

**Motion Number 5:7**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to obtain water supply to the Galpamuna Community Hall and to have the existing electricity supply checked by a suitable person to see if it is proper.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member R.J. Lionel

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 5:8**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the gross estimate of Rs. 58,100.00 prepared for organizing a program on physical fitness and nutrition, focusing attention on reducing nutritional deficiencies among pregnant mothers in the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha area, and submit it for prior approval of His Excellency the Governor.

<b>Item of Expenditure</b>		<b>Cost</b>
01. Resource Personnel Allowance		
i. Physical Fitness Program (4 hours @ Rs.1200.00 per hour)	Rs.1200*4 hours	Rs.4,800.00
ii. Nutrition Awareness Program (5 hours @ Rs.1200.00 per hour)	Rs.1200*5 hours	Rs.6,000.00
02. Refreshment Expenses (for 100 beneficiaries for morning tea)		
i. Kurakkan porridge	Rs.70*100	Rs.7,000.00
ii. Bananas 12kg	Rs.150*12	Rs.1,800.00
iii. Cutlets	Rs.35*100	Rs.3,500.00
		Rs.12,300.00
Lunch	Rs.350*100	Rs.35,000.00
<b>Total (4800+6000+12300+35000)</b>		<b>Rs.58,100.00</b>

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.)

**Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (10:25 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

The program for pregnant mothers and how to select the mothers for it was discussed in the working committee.

**Converting the Working Committee into a General Meeting (10:30 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 5:9**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the gross estimate of Rs.183,750.00 prepared for organizing a music appreciation program with the aim of developing the appreciation abilities of children, elderly, adults and youth in the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha area and creating social progress by showing its qualitative aspects, and submit it for prior approval of His Excellency the Governor.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

**Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (10:39 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

Since the appreciation ability of school children is currently at a low level, the matter of involving more school children and youth in this program was discussed in the working committee.

**Converting the Working Committee into a General Meeting (10:46 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

**The above Motion 5:9 was amended by Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith as follows:**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the gross estimate of Rs.183,750.00 prepared for organizing a music appreciation program with the aim of developing the appreciation abilities of school children and youth in the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha area and creating social progress by showing its qualitative aspects, and submit it for prior approval of His Excellency the Governor.

<b>Item of Expenditure</b>		<b>Cost</b>
01. Resource Personnel Payment (for Rathna Sri Wijesinha Foundation)		Rs.50,000.00
02. Hiring Musical Instruments		
i. Tabla 01		Rs.5,000.00
ii. Violin 01		Rs.5,000.00
iii. Guitar 01		Rs.5,000.00
iv. Serpina 01		Rs.5,000.00
v. Dolakki 01		Rs.5,000.00
vi. Organ 01		Rs.5,000.00
		Rs.30,000.00
03. Sound System and Microphone Rental		Rs.35,000.00
04. Refreshments (for approximately 300 people)		
i. Cutlets	Rs.35*350	Rs.12,250.00
ii. Cake 25kg	Rs.1000*25	Rs.25,000.00
iii. Milk packets	Rs.90*350	Rs.31,500.00
		<b>Rs.68,750.00</b>
<b>Total (50,000+30,000+35,000+68750)</b>		<b>Rs.183,750.00</b>

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:10**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to credit the membership fee of Rs.15,000.00 for the year 2025 of the Federation of Sri Lanka Local Government Authorities to account number 0009330603 at the Thimbirigasyaya branch in the name of the Federation of Sri Lanka Local Government Authorities.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.)

### **Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (10:50 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

Educating new members about the federation mentioned in the above motion and discussing its benefits.

### **Converting the Working Committee into a General Meeting (10:55 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:11**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha Gliricidia project and its justification report.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:12**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha Thawaan Plant project and its justification report.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member D.K. Piyadasa Wijeyrathna

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:13**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the estimated expenditure amount of Rs.150,000.00 for the theoretical and practical training program on Gliricidia cultivation at Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member Nishantha Nandakumara Munasinghe

### **Motion Number 5:14**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha Freshwater Prawn Cultivation project and its justification report.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (11:10 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara

The projects mentioned in the above motions were discussed in the working committee.

### **Converting into a General Meeting (11:20 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member T.M. Jagath Chaminda Kumara Seconded by: Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe

### **Motion Number 5:15**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the project proposals and their estimates prepared by Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha for the 2026 Tourism Development Plan.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe

### **Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha:**

Hon. Chairman, under the tourism development plan you have presented, we have mostly seen tourists in the Malimbada area through the snake display centered in the Horagoda area. I also submitted a proposal to the agenda. Due to the legal situation that arose in the past, it has been completely removed from Malimbada. The opportunity that Malimbada had to receive some money has been completely lost and it has moved to Weligama. If this program is implemented again, Malimbada can get that money. So I make a request to include it in this project and start a program to bring foreign arrivals back to Malimbada.

### **Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith:**

Member, the reason that proposal was not included in the agenda is that there is a problem related to that. Under the Wildlife Ordinance, there is no permission to keep animals. There were raids in the past too. These things have to be done subject to legal conditions. That's why the proposal was not included in the agenda.

Accordingly, the motion to approve the project proposals and their estimates prepared by Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha for the 2026 Tourism Development Plan was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 5:16**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to develop the only road to Opita village, which starts from near Widapatha on the Horagoda Pathegama road.

Proposed by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha Seconded by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.)

**Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha:**

Hon. Chairman, the road that starts from near the Horagoda Widapatha shop is the Widapatha road. The village on the opposite side of that, on the paddy field area, is called Opita village. There is no road to come to this village. The only road that existed was the road that started from the veterinary clinic and came near the canal. Due to a legal situation, it has been impossible to build until now. There has been a case for many years. The road that was there to bring even a coffin to that village was lost. There is a gentleman named Priyankara living in this village who buys a portion of the paddy field at his own expense. Although he paid personal money to buy it, since the land area is insufficient for a road, he takes another land area and requests permission from the Department of Agrarian Services to allow the opportunity to turn this into a road. At that time, the Agrarian Services Working Committee asks the farmers' organization in the relevant area for a recommendation on whether it is suitable to build a road. Normally, if a road goes through any paddy field area, the paddy field area is divided into two. Many roads have been built like that. The farmers' organization gives a recommendation saying they are opposed to this because if permission is given for this, it could set a wrong precedent. Because of giving such a recommendation, the Agrarian Services Department does not give permission to fill this and build a road. The gentleman who bought this paddy field tried to fill soil and build the road on several occasions. The farmers' organization sued. This person is willing to transfer the purchased portion to the assembly because of the necessity of the road. Even though he asked the previous assembly for support, since it didn't happen, those people hope that these matters will be accomplished by this assembly. If this road is built and given, great value will be obtained for the assembly as well as great value for the lives of those people. Stopping with the request to intervene in the legal situation and build this road, thank you.

Accordingly, the motion to develop the only road to Opita village, which starts from near Widapatha on the Horagoda Pathegama road, was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 5:17**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to develop the severely damaged hill section near Korale Diwala paddy field on the Horagoda Koranilagodawatta Bogodawatta road.

Proposed by: Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha Seconded by: Hon. Member R.G. Harshani Gunasekara (Ms.)

**Hon. Member G.P. Udaya Santha:**

Accordingly, the motion to develop the severely damaged hill section near Korale Diwala paddy field on the Horagoda Koranilagodawatta Bogodawatta road was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

## **6. Motions Not Due as Per the Agenda**

### **Motion Number 6:1**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the gross expenditure estimate of Rs.456,818.00 for implementing the "Revival Capital" Provincial Council Week - 2025 programs from 2025.09.15 to September 21.

[Detailed budget table with 7 days of activities including mobile Ayurvedic clinics, blood tests, environmental activities, income generation activities, library activities, sports activities, etc. Total estimate: Rs.456,818.00]

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member D.K. Piyadasa Wijeyrathna

### **Converting the General Meeting into a Working Committee (11:35 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara

### **Converting the Working Committee into a General Meeting (11:40 AM)**

Proposed by: Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe Seconded by: Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 6:2**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to appoint the following named persons as the Procurement Appeals Board required in procurement activities:

i. Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith ii. Hon. Member Chaminda Kumara Gamachchi Wickramasinghe iii. Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara iv. Technical Officer M.A. Kasun Sameera

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member Nishantha Nandakumara Munasinghe

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

### **Motion Number 6:3**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve a fee of Rs.15,000.00 for a procurement appeal.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member A.H.P. Charith Udara

**Motion Number 6:4**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve Rs.100,000.00 as the financial authority limit for the Accounting Officer.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member D.K. Piyadasa Wijeyrathna

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 6:5**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to approve the financial thresholds for procurement methods as follows under Procurement Guidelines clause 2.9(3):

i. National shopping method - (up to maximum 2 million) ii. National competitive bidding method - (from 2 million to 50 million) iii. Direct contract method -

- Goods and services - Rs.20,000.00
- Vehicle repairs - Rs.100,000.00

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Member P.G. Palitha Kumara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 6:6**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to charge Rs.2,000.00 for letters issued for pre-1987 constructions (letter certifying old construction).

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

**Motion Number 6:7**

I propose to the Hon. Assembly that it is appropriate to prepare banners for the two libraries of Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha for the October 2025 National Reading Month.

Proposed by: Hon. Chairman R.K. Nilantha Dhammajith Seconded by: Hon. Vice Chairman K.G. Saman Kumara

Accordingly, the motion was unanimously approved by the assembly as no one objected.

## **7. Approval of Working Committee Reports/Committee Reports - None**

## **8. Consideration of Income and Expenditure Reports**

The monthly income and expenditure reports for May, June, July, and August 2025 were presented to the assembly.

## **9. Other Matters - None**

After the Chairman's vote of thanks, the business of the assembly concluded at approximately 12:10 PM.

**Chairman Malimbada Pradeshiya Sabha**