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Deputy Director General / National Hospital of Sri Lanka / Kandy,  
All Provincial Directors of Health Services,  
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All Directors of Teaching Hospitals,  
All Directors of Provincial General Hospitals,  
All Directors of District General Hospitals,  
All Medical Superintendents of Base Hospitals,  
All Head of Healthcare Institutions,  
All Medical Officers of Health.

Formalization of waste management in healthcare institutions in accordance with the National Policy on Waste Management

Improper waste management has become a major environmental issue in Sri Lanka, with significant health, social & economic consequences. As such, the National Policy on Waste Management has been introduced recently to streamline this issue.

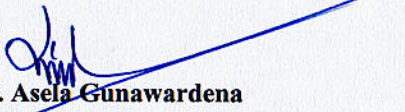
It is essential to segregate waste generated in healthcare institutions as per the national colour code on healthcare waste management.

Please note that non- hazardous recyclable healthcare waste (eg: - clean plastics, clean paper, clean glass etc.) should be handed over **only** to registered waste collectors under the Central Environmental Authority or to recycling agencies having a valid Environmental Protection License.

Electrical and electronic waste (e- waste) generated in healthcare settings is considered as hazardous and should **only** be handed over to licensed e-waste collectors under the Central Environmental Authority.

Information on registered collectors of non-hazardous / non contaminated recyclable waste and licensed e-waste collectors in Sri Lanka can be obtained from the CEA website (**Web browsing : [www.cea.lk](http://www.cea.lk) -Waste Collectors and Recyclers of Sri Lanka – Registered Collectors of Non-Hazardous Recyclable waste**).

Ensure that above measures are adhered to in managing waste generated in your institutions. Please bring the contents of this letter to relevant officers under you.

  
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