

Commonwealth Secretariat

Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting

Colombo, Sri Lanka, 15-17 November 2013



Official Programme
Monday 11 - Sunday 17 November 2013

Monday 11 November 2013

- 1000 - 1300 hrs - Meeting of Committee of the Whole
*Venue: Committee Room B,
Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall*
- 1500 - 1800 hrs - Meeting of Committee of the Whole (cont'd)
*Venue: Committee Room B,
Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall*
- 2000 hrs - *Dinner hosted by Mr. Karunatilaka Amunugama, Secretary,
Ministry of External Affairs, for Senior Officials
*Venue: The Kingsbury Hotel, Colombo
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress*

Tuesday 12 November 2013

- 0830 - 1200 hrs - Meeting of Committee of the Whole (cont'd)
*Venue: Committee Room B,
Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall*
- 1230 -1400 hrs - *Lunch for Foreign Ministers attending the Commonwealth
Ministerial Meeting on Small States hosted by Hon. Prof. G.L.
Peiris, Minister of External Affairs, Sri Lanka
*Venue: Hilton Colombo Hotel
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress*
- 1400 - 1600 hrs - Commonwealth Ministerial Meeting on Small States
Venue: Ballroom, Hilton Colombo Hotel
- 1630 - 1650 hrs - Press Conference by Hon. Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister of
External Affairs, Sri Lanka, and His Excellency Kamalesh
Sharma, Commonwealth Secretary-General
*Venue: Media Centre, Bandaranaike Memorial International
Conference Hall*
- 1700 - 1900 hrs - Meeting of Committee of the Whole (cont'd)
*Venue: Committee Room B,
Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall*

Wednesday 13 November 2013

- 1000 - 1200 hrs - *Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group (CMAG) Meeting
Venue: Committee Room C, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall
- 1230 - 1400 hrs - *Lunch for Commonwealth Foreign Ministers hosted by Hon. Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs, Sri Lanka
Venue: Banquet Hall, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress
- 1400- 1800 hrs - Pre-CHOGM Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers - Session I
Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition Centre
- 2000 - 2200 hrs - *Dinner for Commonwealth Foreign Ministers, their Spouses and other invited guests, hosted by Hon. Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs, Sri Lanka and Mrs Savithri Peiris
Venue: Mount Lavinia Hotel
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress

Thursday 14 November 2013

- 0830 - 0900 hrs - Pre-CHOGM Press Conference by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of Sri Lanka and His Excellency Kamallesh Sharma, Commonwealth Secretary-General
Venue: Committee Room A, BMICH
- 0900 - 1300 hrs - Pre-CHOGM Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers - Session II
Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition Centre
- 1300 - 1430 hrs - *Lunch for Commonwealth Foreign Ministers hosted by Hon. Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs, Sri Lanka
Venue: Banquet Hall, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall

Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress

- 1445 - 1730 hrs - Pre-CHOGM Meeting of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers - Session III
Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition Centre
- 1300 hrs - Heads of Government depart Colombo for Hambantota
- 1500 hrs - Heads of Government Roundtable with Business Leaders
Venue: International Convention Centre, Hambantota
- 1630 hrs - Heads of Government participate in tree planting ceremony in Hambantota
Venue: Botanical Gardens, Mirijjawila
- 1800 hrs - Heads of Government depart Hambantota for Colombo
- 1830 hrs - Heads of Government arrive in Colombo

Friday 15th November 2013

- 1015 - 1115 hrs - *Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) Opening Ceremony
Venue: Nelum Pokuna Mahinda Rajapaksa Theatre
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress
- 1115 - 1130 hrs Official Photograph with His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales and Heads of Government
Venue: Nelum Pokuna Mahinda Rajapaksa Theatre
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress
- 1145 - 1315 hrs - CHOGM Executive Session I
Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition Centre

- 1330 - 1430 hrs - *Reception hosted by His Excellency Kamalesh Sharma, Commonwealth Secretary-General
Venue: Banquet Hall, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall
Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress
- 1430 - 1515 hrs - Dialogue between Commonwealth Heads of Government and Youth Leaders
Venue: Committee Room B, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall
- 1530 - 1730 hrs - CHOGM Executive Session II
Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition Centre
- 1800 - 1830 hrs - Press Conference
Media Centre, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall
- 1930 - 2230 hrs - *Dinner hosted by Their Royal Highnesses The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall for Commonwealth Heads of Government and Spouses
Venue: Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel
Dress: Black Tie/Long Dress/National Dress.
(Decorations and Tiaras may be worn)
- 2030 - 2230 hrs - Dinner for Foreign Ministers and Spouses hosted by Hon Prof G. L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs and Mrs Savithri Peiris
Venue: Cinnamon Grand Hotel
Dress: Lounge Suite/National Dress/Day Dress

Saturday 16th November 2013

- 0800 - 0915 hrs - *Sports Breakfast hosted by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of Sri Lanka and His Royal Highness Prince Tunku Imran, President of the Commonwealth Games Federation
Venue: The Ballroom, Waters Edge
Dress: Smart Casual

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| 0930 - 1300 hrs | - | CHOGM Retreat - Session I
<i>Venue: Waters Edge</i> |
| 1000 - 1030 hrs | - | Commonwealth Foreign Ministers Roundtable with
Commonwealth Associated Organisations
<i>Venue: Hilton Colombo Hotel</i> |
| 1030 - 1130 hrs | - | Commonwealth Foreign Ministers Roundtable with Civil Society
Organisations
<i>Venue: Hilton Colombo Hotel</i> |
| 1300 - 1430 hrs | - | *Lunch for Commonwealth Heads of Government hosted by His
Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of Sri Lanka
<i>Venue: Waters Edge</i>
<i>Dress: Smart Casual</i> |
| 1445 - 1730 hrs | - | CHOGM Retreat - Session II
<i>Venue: Waters Edge</i> |
| 1745 - 1805 hrs | - | Press Conference
<i>Venue: Media, Centre, Bandaranaike Memorial International
Conference Hall</i> |
| 2000 - 2200 hrs | - | * State Banquet hosted by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa,
President of Sri Lanka and Madam Shiranthi Rajapaksa for
Commonwealth Heads of Government and Spouses
<i>Venue: Temple Trees</i>
<i>Dress: Lounge Suit/National Dress/Day Dress</i> |

Sunday 17 November 2013

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| 0930 - 1100 hrs | - | CHOGM Retreat - Session III
<i>Venue: Waters Edge</i> |
| 1200 - 1300 hrs | - | CHOGM Executive Session III
<i>Venue: Hall A, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Memorial Exhibition
Centre</i> |

1315 - 1400 hrs - Concluding Press Conference by His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of Sri Lanka, and His Excellency Kamalesh Sharma, Commonwealth Secretary-General
Venue: Media Centre, Committee Room A, Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall

* Participation is by invitation only.