

## Introduction

Working together is a basic feature that can be seen in a society. Each individual in a society has the right to a life of freedom away from fear and suspicion. Having established that right, social security is strengthened.

Family, school, religious institutions and social institutions render a special service to establish social security. The government has also established various institutions and special mechanisms to ensure social security.

Several factors contribute to social security. Citizens in a society need to be well-educated and self disciplined. They need to show respect towards others in dealing with them. These factors contribute heavily to social security in a cohesive multi-cultural society.

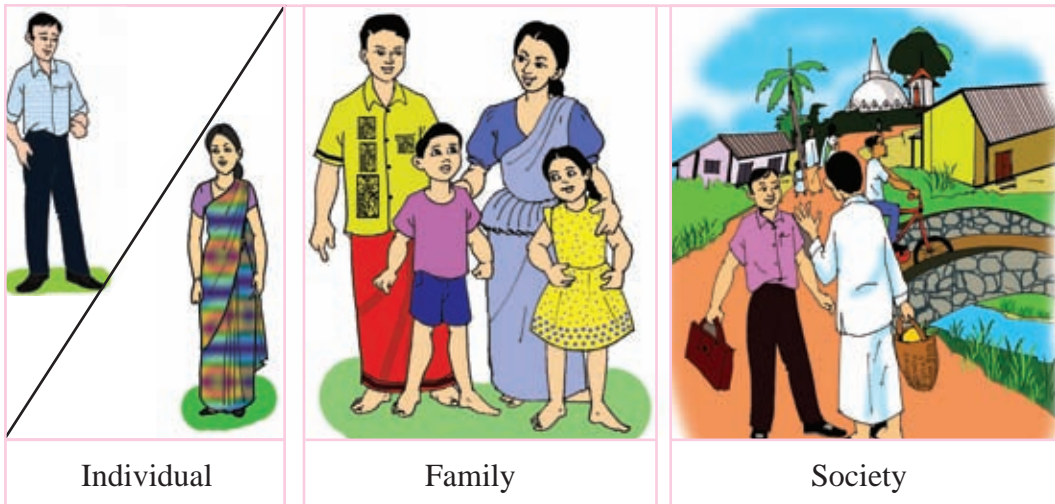
Social security is a factor that affects the personal development, social development and national development in a society. By studying this chapter, you will be able to achieve a wide knowledge about the following:

- Individual and society
- Social security
- Institutes that contribute to social security
- The mechanisms as well as laws and rules that are utilized to establish social security
- Duties and responsibilities of an individual to influence social security

## 1.1 Individual and Society

### 1.1.1 Introducing society

Family is the basic unit in a society. Society is a collection of several families. A group of people living in certain geographical region working in collaboration to achieve their various needs is a basic feature of a society. They establish various institutes, societies and organizations for that. Accordingly, society is a collection of individuals and organizations.



Every person is a member of some society. They maintain frequent inter relationships to fulfill their needs.

Each society has its own customs, rules and regulations, acceptances, ethics, agreements and traditions. They are common features to all societies. These common features contribute to make the societies colourful.

By nature, societies of the modern day are very complex. Therefore, to fulfill their needs, it has become very necessary for individuals to maintain cordial relationships with others. Everyone needs the help of different people and social institutions. Strong relationships between individuals in a society contribute to peaceful co-existence.

### 1.1.2 Social security

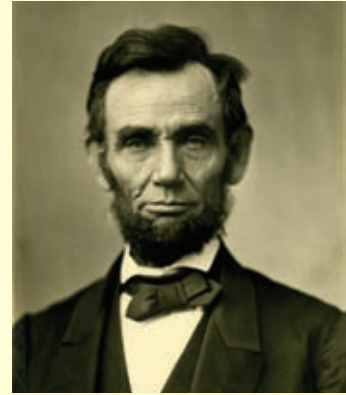
Society must ensure protection and security for a person to live free from doubt and fear, safeguarding one's interests. Simply, it can be introduced as social security. Establishing social protection and good existence to the maximum is essential for the social development.

People need to accept and honour the rules and regulations in any society. This ensures social security. At the same time, to ensure social security, it is essential to organize both people and institutions at different levels.

Both visionaries and groups looking far into the future, contribute to the creation of a strong, secure society.



Abraham Lincoln (1809 - 1865) is a former president of the United States of America. He worked hard to establish social security of millions of people who suffered as slaves by abolishing slavery in the USA. He directly opposed the spreading of slavery and denounced "Free labour in free soil" too. He is a prudent leader who established social security by being the emancipator of millions of slaves in 1863. "Whatever you are be a good one" is one of his famous sayings.



Abraham Lincoln

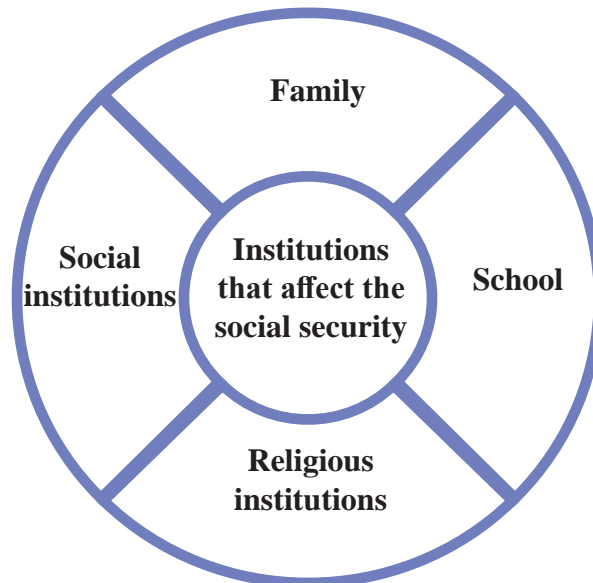
### Activity 1.1



Explain in your own words what you 'Social Security' means.

#### 1.1.3 Institutions that contribute towards the social security and services rendered

In any society there are a number of institutions that contribute to the establishment of the social security. Examples for some of them are given below:



### 1.1.3.1 The role played by the family towards social security

Let us recall the lesson 'Our Family' we have learned for Civic Education in Grade 7. There, you had a chance to study more information about nature, tasks and the important role played by family. Accordingly, family renders a special task for the establishment of social security. The basic training of adjusting an individual to the society is given in the family. Discipline and accepted behaviours, activities, role models and attitudes among members in a family help create a responsible individual. The responsibility of a family is to provide a disciplined and cultured individual to society. Nutrition, security, love, compassion, mercy, kindness and models received by an individual, as a member of a family help produce confident, balanced individual to society. This ensures protection and security too. In living together as members of a family, common feelings are developed and they directly contribute to the social security too.



Happy family

#### Responsibilities of 'family' social security

- Developing healthy relationships among members
- Conducting healthy relationships with relatives and neighbours
- Maintaining healthy relationships with different individuals
- Guiding towards better socialization
- Improving qualities like love, compassion and kindness
- Ensuring security and protection
- Preventing use of alcohol, drugs and anti-social misconducts
- Adapting to protect some attributes of the culture
- Encouraging listening to others and respecting their views
- Provision of necessary training to work in co-operation with each other
- Leading through setting example
- Directing to follow the instructions given by the elders towards personal welfare
- Encouraging self control and emotions
- Guiding towards positive thinking about individuals and society
- Preparing for a bearable, simple life style
- Explaining the need to be law-abiding

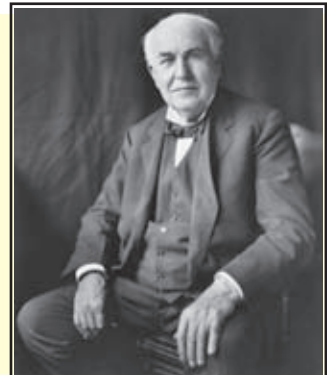
It is necessary to provide the background for individuals to complete with such qualities to be raised in each family. Then, social security is well established. Given below is an example to reveal how family can contribute to social security:



As a small child, Thomas Alwa Edison, came home from school one day and handed over a letter to his mother. He said, “Mom, my teacher gave me this letter. She asked me to give it to you. She wanted only you to read it. What’s in this letter?”

She started reading the letter. Her eyes welled with tears as she read the letter. She read out aloud to her child...

“Your son is a genius. This school is too small for him and doesn’t have good enough teachers to train him. Please keep him at home and teach him yourself.” What was written in the letter was carried out as advised.



Thomas Alwa Edison who invented the light bulb (1841-1931)

Many years later, after Edison’s mother had died, he became the greatest inventor of the century.

One day he was going through an old trunk and, by chance, he came across the folded letter that his old teacher wrote to his Mother. He opened it...

The message written in the letter was “Your son is a great fool. We cannot allow him to continue his studies in this school. Please keep him at home and teach him yourself.”

After reading the letter Edison became emotional and then wrote in his diary:

“Thomas Alwa Edison was a great fool whose mother turned him into the genius of the century.”

### 1.1.3.2 The contribution from school towards social security

From the family, children next step into school society. The school too shares equal responsibility like the family towards social security. School can be introduced as a well organized institution where the necessary background for the establishment of social security is widely organized. Knowledge, attitudes, skills and good discipline you achieved from the school help you a lot to live as a good citizen in the society.



A school

**Tasks fulfilled  
by the school  
towards the  
social security**

- Provision of systematic education
- Producing fair, social and well-disciplined individuals
- Making perfect with competencies
- Producing individuals with balanced personality
- Teaching to fulfill duties while enjoying rights
- Transferring and protection of culture
- Teaching to work for the benefit of the society
- Explaining the repercussions of the use of liquor and narcotics and abstaining from it
- Make to understand the ill-effects of the anti-social and misconduct activities and protecting from them
- Creation for better socialization
- Practising to evaluate equality and controlling emotions
- Directing to work collectively and peacefully
- Establishment of national harmony, brotherhood and equality
- Developing of competencies necessary for the protection of the environment
- Developing values relevant to the religion and ethics
- Making aware that every child is important and clever

Read the story given below about a teacher directing a student along the correct path.



Tim, admitted to Grade 1, showed lots of talents in many subjects. However, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> term of Grade 3, his teacher noticed a decline in his interests. The teacher observed him carefully and compared his continuous assessments during the previous year. The teacher was anxious to find the reason for Tim's decline in performances, which were good at the beginning. The teacher got closer to Tim and wanted to get to know him. She learnt that during the 1<sup>st</sup> term of Grade 3, Tim's mother fell ill and had died. The shock and the separation from his mother made Tim uncomfortable. He was frustrated.

Aware of the reason for Tim's sudden decline in his work, the teacher became a mother to Tim. She showered him with love and affection coming from a mother. The teacher came to be a goddess, more or less. Tim picked up and showed enthusiasm with his studies again. The school became as pleasant place to him. At the end of the year, the teacher's table was filled with the presents brought by students. Tim honoured the teacher with a gift wrapped in a piece of paper. The present was a discolored bangle worn by Tim's mother. The teacher accepted it with great appreciation.

Time passed. Tim developed many talents while in primary and secondary school. He successfully completed University education too. The day of his marriage arrived. This grateful child did not forget his beloved teacher who was like his own mother. She came for his wedding wearing the bangle given by Tim, years ago.

## Activity 1.2



Present creatively the tasks fulfilled by your school for the establishment of social security.

### 1.1.3.3 Contributions from the religious places towards the social security

Religious places contribute immensely to build a peaceful society by establishing good habits and moral values. The primary objective of every religion is to make people aware of the importance of living co-operatively, harmoniously and unitedly as good citizens. Establishment of harmony among different religious and ethnic groups is also an important mission that must be performed by the religious institutions. Accordingly, religious institutions render an important mission for the establishment of social security. For that, some examples are given below:



- Inculcating of good attitudes
- Establishment of discipline and education
- Driving towards spiritual development
- Producing virtuous citizens
- Rescuing people from liquor and narcotics with sound advice regarding the harm done
- Educating people about anti-social behaviour and damages caused as a result of involvement in such activities and preventing such acts.
- Raising awareness regarding co-operation and assistance
- Teaching to use and protect customs and traditions
- Setting of correct and positive vision about life
- Extending assistance to establish national harmony and national integration
- Working towards the sustainable peace



Rev. Fr. Marceline Jayakody was a catholic priest, but he had a sound knowledge of Buddhism. Buddhist songs that he composed are very popular. He was called "Priest in the temple" because he worked hard to bring about unity among religions.



Rev. Fr. Marceline Jayakody

### Activity 1.3



1. What are the different religious institutions found in your area?
2. State five tasks rendered by these institutions in common towards social security.

#### 1.1.3.4 Contribution from social institutions towards the social security

Individuals work in collaboration with social institutions and organizations to fulfill their various needs. People's needs have become complex and various institutions and organizations have emerged to fulfil these necessities. Some examples for such institutions are given below:





Many of these organizations function based on a formal plan and a constitution. The main objective of them is also to get social welfare improved by working collaboratively with each other. Thus, social institutions and organizations established collectively in common render a massive service for ensuring social security. Several examples for their activities are given below;

**Tasks performed by various social institutions towards the social security**

- Developing of unity among members
- Establishing of healthy inter-personal relationships
- Practising to respect and to accept others' opinions
- Respecting the leadership and fulfilling duties of followers
- Fulfillment of social duties and responsibilities
- Being law abidingly
- Maintaining of social welfare services
- Assisting the economic stability
- Maintaining of community health services
- Conducting awareness programmes on food and nutrition
- Assisting to prevent epidemics and making people aware of getting protected from them
- Improvement of soft competencies (such as love, kindness, compassion, etc.)
- Assisting to establish national unity, national cohesion, and sustainable peace
- Guiding to think positively about individuals and the society
- Conducting programmes to save the society from liquor, narcotics, anti social activities and misconducts
- Helping individuals in difficult situations such as in funerals

**Activity 1.4**



Collect the information about social institutions that function in your area and complete the following table.

Name of organization	Objectives	Activities towards social security

### **1.1.5 Liquor and usage of narcotics, anti-social activities and misconducts**

Escalating of the use of liquor and narcotics is a main problem faced by the present society. Anti social and practices of misconduct also have increased as well. Various programmes are launched by the government to find solutions for them. Other than that, government institutions, various organizations and many non-governmental organizations too have launched various activities in this regard.

The use of liquor and drugs directly influences the increase of various anti-social activities and misconducts. It is a well-known fact that could be seen and heard through various mass media that use of liquor and narcotics has become the main factor, influencing the collapse of social security.

The task load performed by family, school, religious institutions and social institutions to prevent the use of liquor and drugs, anti social activities and misconducts is highly important for the society. There are many institutions training to eradicate or curtail such anti social activities for the establishment of social security.

Some examples for such organizations are shown below:

- National Board of Dangerous Drug Control
- Sri Lanka Police
- National Child Protection Authority
- Department of Probation and Child Care Services
- Liquor and Drug Information Centre
- Non governmental organizations such as Healthy Lanka, Sumithrayo, Mithuru Mithurio

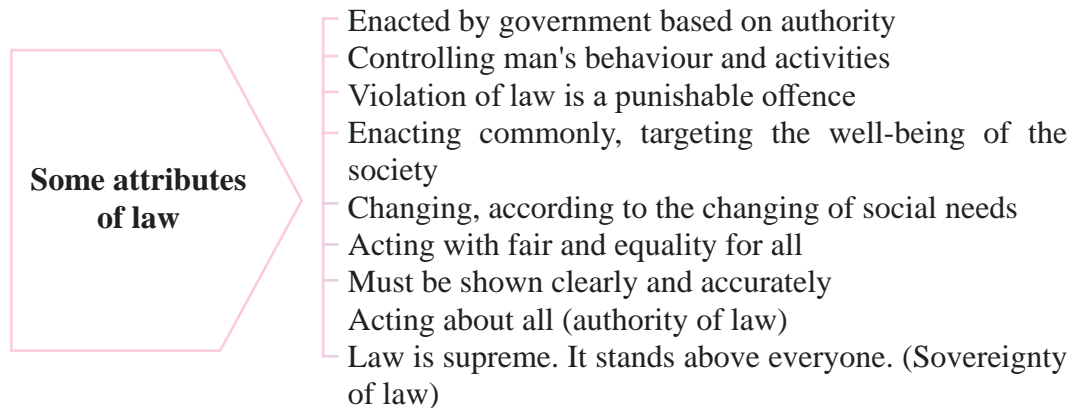
### **1.1.6 Law for the social security**

#### **Introduction to law**

System of all regulations imposed by the State to which all individuals of a country or society must obey can be simply introduced as law. Law is imposed for the prevention of unfavorable influences and damages occur in the society when an individual lives in the society, as well as to ensure peace and security.

Every society must be ruled according to the law in use. The fundamental responsibility of a government is to protect law and peace in its State. Citizens are expected to respond and act according to the law. When the law is violated, punishments are deserving. In every society where the authority of law is empowered well, justice, peace and social security are preserved.

The duty fulfilled by the government organizations to establish social security is important. Court, Police and security forces can be cited as examples.



## Sources of law

Law has been enforced for social security and is based on various sources. Some examples are given below:

- Constitution
- Regulations and Acts
- Customs
- Verdicts from courts
- Opinions of the scholars of law
- Religion

Law is tightly bound with the social needs. This clearly shows, as obeying and following the law is compulsory to all.

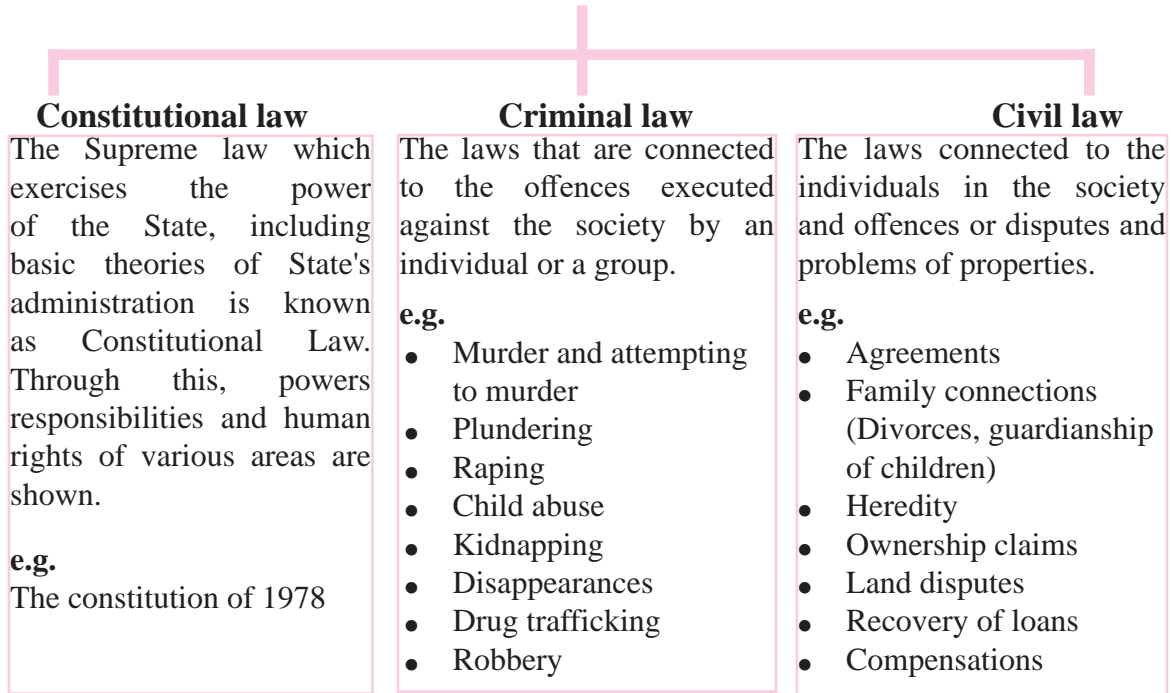
Law is practised in two ways:

1. Domestic law
2. International law

## 1. Domestic law

The law that is enacted and exercised pertaining within the territorial boundary of a country is called domestic law. Domestic law varies from country to country.

## Domestic law



## 2. International law

The law that is exercised when one country works with another country or several countries can be simply introduced as international law. Examples for such several international laws that exercise as international rules are given below;

- International human rights law
- Immigration and emigration law
- International laws connected to the flights
- International maritime law
- International environment law
- International investment law
- International problem - solving law

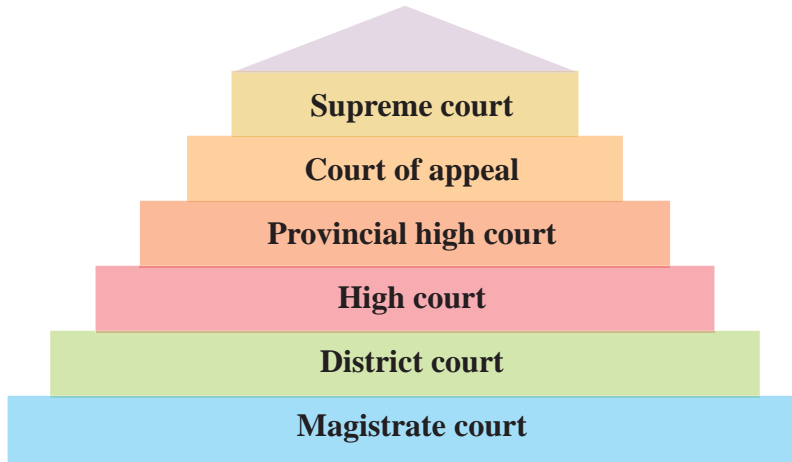
### 1.1.7 Various institutions which are set to empower the law

#### 1. The court

The jurisdiction, protection of freedom and right of the people in a democratic country are attended to by the court. Working the court independently causes to build confidence and respect for the court in citizens.

In Sri Lanka, there are several courts of justice to enforce proper jurisdiction.

## Present Judicial system in Sri Lanka



## 2. Sri Lanka police

Establishment of social security by protecting law and peace in the country is the main responsibility of the police. This is the speech presented by Samitha of Grade 9 on 'Sri Lanka Police' at the morning assembly of the school.

Dear teachers and my dear brothers and sisters,

“Dhammo Bhawe Rakkathi Dammachari” The one who behaves according to the Dhamma will be protected by the Dhamma (Doctrine) itself. This is the motto of the Police. Today I am going to deliver a speech on Sri Lanka Police. The main institution that protects us day and night continuously is Police. It is a great service that the police do to live us without fear and suspicion from the moment we awake in the morning and to the moment we go to sleep at night and from the moment we sleep at night and to the moment we awake in the morning.



Official symbol of Sri Lanka Police

It is the police that protect us from thieves, robbers and criminals. Controlling traffic and helping pedestrians to cross roads are a very common sight in urban areas. Provision of traffic warden training to students like us is also a great help rendered by the police.

Provision of security to VIPs, various functions and meetings, guidance with careful driving could be introduced as special services rendered by the police for us.

Some main functions of police are to curtail anti social activities like liquor, narcotics, arrest culprits and bring them into the strong arm of the law. Preventing various disputes, conflicts and terrorist activities are also an important mission of the police. Police executes all these for the purpose of ensuring our security. Ensuring the protection of children like us and women by conducting separate units for them is a factor to be happy about.



The services rendered by the police in natural disasters like flood and earth slips are unforgettable. Further, it must be mentioned here that, the efficient performance of the police to take threatening criminals into custody within a short period of time. There, the functions performed by the police kennel service also must be commended.



Furthermore, the police executes a great service by acting rapidly on sudden disasters and sudden accidents by conducting the 119 service.

We should always respect the police for the services they render towards our motherland and ourselves at all times of the day, be it sunshine or rain or day and night. As well, it is our responsibility to help the Police always with our assistance to continue their duties successfully. I mentioned only a small section of the massive services rendered by the police for the social security.



Thank you for listening.

A Retired Director General of Police, A.J. Iddamalgoda, defines the word POLICE as follows;

- P - Polite
- O - Obedient
- L - Loyal
- I - Intelligent
- C - Courageous
- E - Efficient

Whenever it is necessary to establish social security, the Sri Lanka Police can seek the assistance of the International Police.



### **An incident related to the Police in the United Kingdom**

Hyde Park Corner in the United Kingdom is a place where people gather freely during week ends. Some enjoy by dancing, singing, participating in carnivals, delivering public speeches. One day, a person driving his vehicle near Hyde Park Corner heard a man delivering a public speech abusing the Police in the United Kingdom as low, mean, corrupted and fraudulent. The person in the vehicle slowed down the speed to listen to the speech. Suddenly, he saw a giant policeman speedily making his way towards his vehicle.

He got alarmed thinking that he would be taken offence. The police man came closer to the vehicle, and said "Please switch off the engine of your vehicle, people cannot hear the speech well because of the noise from your vehicle."

### **Activity 1.5**



List out the duties performed by the Police referring to Samitha's speech.

Eg - Ensuring peace and public security

## **3. Attorney General's Department**

The Attorney General's Department holds the responsibility for all legal activities of the government. Prosecutions and appearances in cases on behalf of the government are conducted by this department. The Attorney General who is the chief legal officer of Sri Lanka is the head of this department. The Attorney General is appointed by the President with the recommendation of the constitution.

Several Tasks performed by the Attorney General's Department are given below;

- Provision of necessary legal advice in the lawsuits connected to the government
- Compiling of all legal activities to the government or against the government
- Appearing for the lawsuits connected to the government or State institutions
- Providing proper legal advice to the Acts to be submitted to the Parliament
- Participation as a partner in the lawsuits prosecuted by the Supreme Court
- Provisions of necessary recommendations to the President to execute the death penalty which had been committed on a culprit.

## 4. Government Analyst's Department

Analytical and specialist advisory services connected to the fields like forensic science, food science for courts, law imposing institutions and other institutions are provided by the Government Analyst's Department.

While “Building of a just and a law abiding society” is the vision of the Government Analyst's Department, contribution to the jurisdiction efficiently and in a justifiable manner is the basic objective. This department possesses the specialists to examine and to provide the analytical reports on samples produced by various institutions. There are many institutions that work in collaboration with the Government Analyst's Department for the establishment of social security. Some of them are shown below;

- Court of Law
- The Police Department
- Health Department
- Sri Lanka Standard Institute
- Central Environmental Authority
- Labour Tribunals
- Department of Criminal Investigation
- Department of Customs
- Excise Department
- Sri Lanka Tea Board

## 5. Department of Prison

The main functions of the Prisons Department are to imprison various wrongdoers condemned by the law and committed to prison, rehabilitate and release them to society as just and peaceful citizens with human values. In addition, the Prisons Department is responsible to keep in custody, those suspected of crimes, looking after and maintaining them. Researches reveal that a larger percentage of people sent to prison have not successfully completed school education.

## 6. Security Forces in Sri Lanka

The security forces deserve an important place as the man institution that acts to establish social security. To ensure social security, Army, Navy and Air force have been established under the Ministry of Defense.

Given below are three articles regarding each of these forces published in a wall-paper by three groups of Grade 9 students.



## Sri Lanka Army

After the independence, Ceylon Army was established on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 1949. Ceylon Army was renamed as 'Sri Lanka Army' in 1972. Provision of security to the nation on land is the main task of the Army. Sri Lanka Army that serves under the motto, "For the Fatherland" is always on alert both in day and night for the protection of motherland. The Army is dedicated to protect the land from various military situations that affect both locally as well as internationally.



## Sri Lanka Navy

Ceylon Navy was established on 09<sup>th</sup> December, 1950. It is known as Sri Lanka Navy since 1972. "The Golden fence around the country" is the motto of the Navy. The main task of the Navy is to protect the motherland from the military threats or outside. Sri Lanka Navy that works hard fighting with the mighty ocean provides the protection from the land as well as from the sea. Working for the prevention of illegal trading activities like drugs and illegal immigration that occur along the sea routes are also important tasks rendered by the Navy. The prevention of illegal fishing that is conducted, violating the territorial sea limits, is also an important service of the Navy. Here it must be appreciated the services rendered by Sri Lanka Navy in supplying transportation among islands, helping in disaster situations and rescuing the people caught in flood, etc.



## Sri Lanka Air Force

Ceylon Air Force was established on 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 1951. It was renamed as “Sri Lanka Air Force” since 1972. ‘Protect Lanka skies (Surakimu Lakambara/"இலங்கை வான்வழிப்பைப் பாதுகாப்போம்")' is the motto of the Air Force. Protecting the motherland from the sky while piercing the whole sky of the country is the main task of the Sri Lanka Air Force. Except the protection of the motherland from the threats levelling from local as well as international warfare, conducting domestic flights are also an important service of the Air Force. Provision of aid, saving lives and provision of security, in the disasters reaching the locations that can be reached by neither on land nor water are another important services rendered by the Sri Lanka Air Force.

Apart from that, the Civil Security Force too renders an important national service to establish social security by helping the three Forces.

The three forces in Sri Lanka render a dignified service to the country and the nation. The main responsibility of the forces is the safeguarding of unitary and territorial integrity of Sri Lanka. The three forces render a special task to the motherland while preventing various accidents, hazards and establishing social security by protecting land, sea and sky.

Examples for several tasks rendered by the security forces for the strengthening of security commonly are given below;

- Protecting the country from threatening situations related to war both locally or internationally
- Acting to subdue insurrection, fights and terrorist activities
- Assisting the police to protect physical and human resources in Sri Lanka
- Providing relief services with sudden hazards and disasters
- Assisting with maintain compulsory service on the situations like sudden strikes, etc.
- Assisting the provision of daily needs for the displaced people on various reasons.
- Assisting the government when it is needed to perform tasks of national value.



Sing and enjoy the song given below written on behalf of the services rendered by three forces;

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This is the English paraphrase of the above sinhala song;

There is a golden fence around this meritorious land, that was offered like a golden flower holding in the cupped hand by the gods, without letting even a lump of soil to get fall apart. While the whole world asleep in one dream, the divine light of the guarding gods of the land are burning throughout the night.

The sons who were brought up by holding at the bosom are now in the battle field armed with weapons. Fathers, seeing the deeds of bravery committed by them in battle fields intoxicated with moral and belligerent, honour them by keeping the hands on their heads. When they sacrifice their lives for the sake of motherland, breast of every mother in three parts of the island is welled with milk in their names.

Hail, Heroic boys! We have reborn here today by receiving a new lease of life from you as you were born not from mother's womb but from the womb of the mother earth of Sri Lanka. You are never been isolated in the battle field as all your relatives, brothers, sons and daughters are with you in the battle fields in their hearts.

Given below is a Tamil song which gives a similar meaning;

அமைதிப் புறாவே அமைதிப் புறாவே  
அழைக்கின்றேன் உன்னை  
நிம்மதியே நிம்மதியே - நான்  
நேசிக்கின்றேன் உன்னை  
(அமைதிப் புறாவே)  
காலங்களாலே தென்றல் வருக!  
புயலே வரவேண்டாம்!  
மேகங்களாலே மழையே வருக!  
வெள்ளம் வரவேண்டாம்!  
வீடுகள் தோறும் ஒளியே வருக!  
இருளே வரவேண்டாம்!  
நாடுகள் தோறும் உறவே வருக!  
பகையே வரவேண்டாம்!  
சமாதானமே சமாதானமே, ,  
தழுவுகின்றேன் உன்னை,  
தர்ம தேவனே தர்ம தேவனே,  
சரணடைந்தேன் உன்னை,  
(அமைதிப் புறாவே)  
புத்தன் வழியில் அசோகன் சேவை,  
புரிந்தது எதற்காக?  
புன்னகை முகமே தேவனின் வீடென,  
சொன்னது எதற்காக?  
சத்திய நெறியை தாரணியெங்கும்,  
தந்தது எதற்காக  
சமாதானமாம் சமாதானமாம்  
தாயே உனக்காக!  
(அமைதிப் புறாவே)  
-கவிஞர் கண்ணதாசன்

## Activity 1.6



Prepare a booklet including the informations about one of the institutions that establishes the social security.

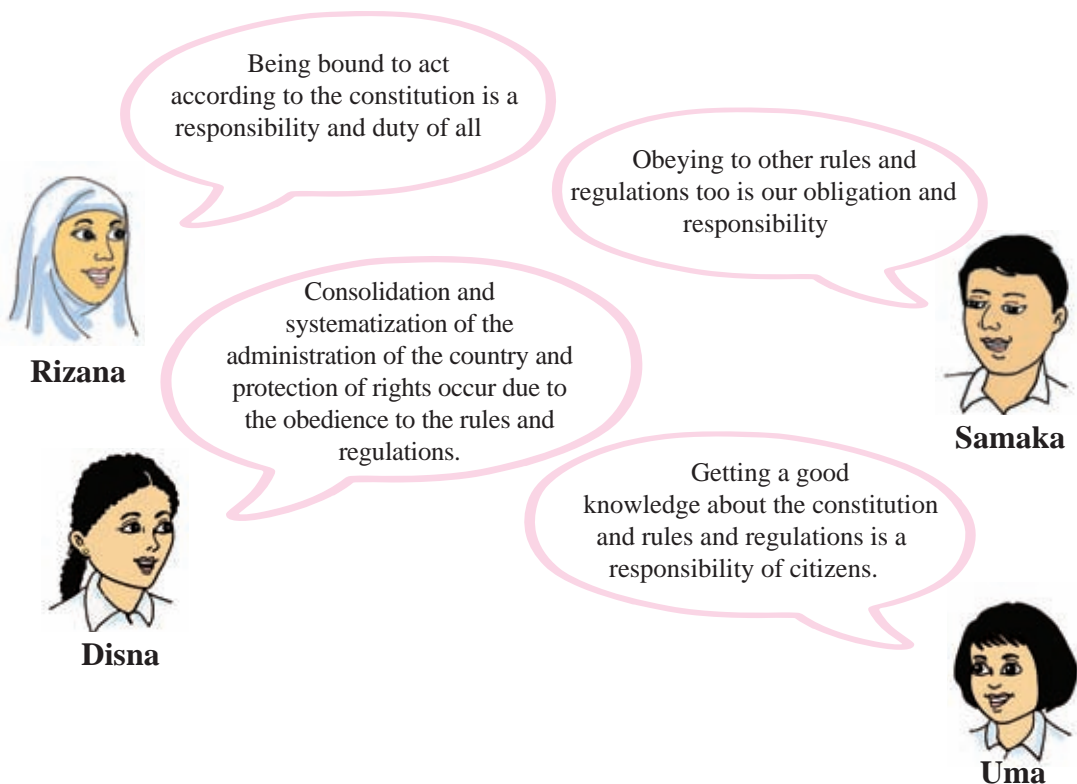
## 1.2 Responsibilities and duties of the individuals towards the social security

The main responsibility of establishing social security is assigned to the individual. Accordingly, there are a number of duties must be fulfilled by the individual to the society for the establishment of social security. There, performing one's duties well when working with various institutions that have been established for the establishment of social security is the responsibility of every individual.

### 1.2.1 Responsibilities and duties of individuals relevant to the constitution and other rules and regulations

Constitution is the fundamental law of the country. It is known as the supreme law too. Except the constitutions, criminal law, civil law and other Acts and orders are active for the establishment of social security. When they are functioning it is compulsory to act adjusting them, respecting and obeying them.

The following is a part of a discussion occurred among a group of students of Grade 9, regarding the duties and responsibilities of people on the constitution and other rules and regulations.





**Ravi**



**Reka**

Unawareness of the law is not a reason for excuse

There is no change in the due punishment even though the law is not known.

It is important to know about the punishment that is deserved when law is violated.

Making others aware of the rules and regulations that we know already is our duty.



**Rukshan**



**Isura**

### 1.2.2 Responsibilities and duties of individuals relevant to the judiciary

Among the mechanisms to establish social security, judiciary is also very important. Judiciary is the one that determines jurisdiction in a country.

Building confidence about the court process without distributing judicial forces

Avoiding from the activities that disparage the court

Respecting the judges

**Responsibilities and duties of individuals relevant to the judiciary**

Respecting the court

Obeying the court process

Protecting the respect of the court

### 1.2.3 Responsibilities and duties of individuals related to the Police

Police renders a valuable service to ensure the social security. On behalf of that we too, as individuals, possess a number of responsibilities and duties to be fulfilled. Several examples for that are given below:



### Activity 1.7



Column one (I) of the following table shows a few tasks performed by the police for the establishment of social security. Write several duties can be fulfilled by yourself as a citizen, to make them a success in column (II) given in the table.

Column I Tasks performed by the police	Column II Duties can be fulfilled by the citizens
Road safety	
Elimination of drugs	
Control of plagues like dengue	
Environmental conservation	

### 1.2.4 Duties and responsibilities of individuals related to the security forces

The security forces render several massive services for the social security. Due to the fulfilment of their services, they have been subjected to the frequent honour as the guardian deities of the land. When security forces fulfil their duties, we too, as individuals, possess a bundle of duties and responsibilities to be fulfilled towards the security forces.

The following diagram shows some examples for them;



### 1.2.5 Responsibilities and duties of people relevant to the Conciliation Board

Under this system, attempts have been taken to solve problems that occur trivial among the public without going to the court. It is also expected to reduce the huge accumulation of cases in the courts.

The system that exists for the conciliation in Sri Lanka has been introduced by the Act no 72 of Conciliation Board Act of 1998.

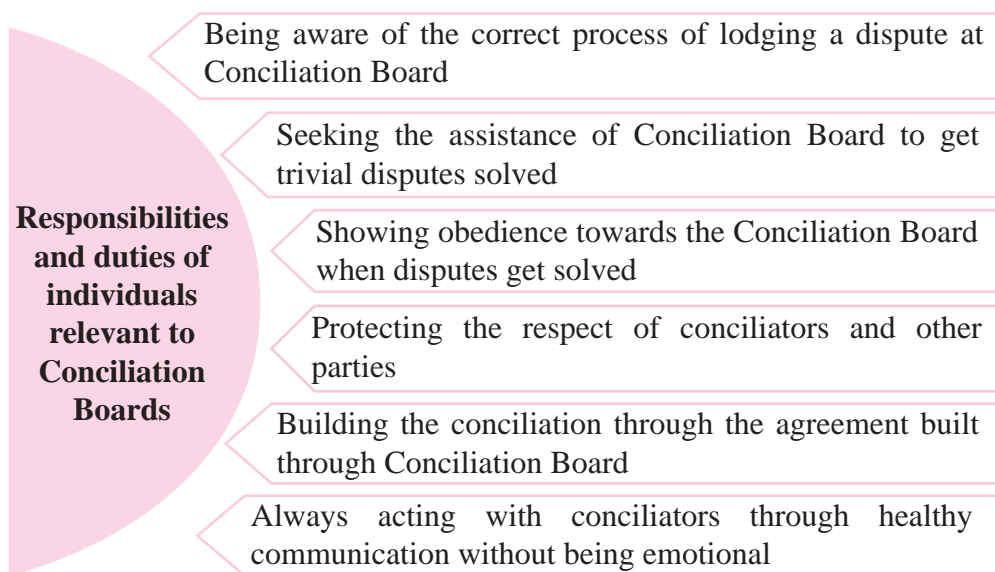
The panel for Conciliation Board is appointed by the Conciliation Board Commission. Educated, intelligent and virtuous individuals accepted by the society are appointed as panel members.

There are three ways of filing a case in a Conciliation Board:

1. Through the Police
2. Through the Court
3. Filing a case privately

To make the service rendered by the Conciliation Board a success, duties and responsibilities of individuals connected to it too must be fulfilled. They could be lined up as follows:





### 1.2.6 Responsibilities and duties of individuals connected to the National Child Protection Authority

National Child Protection Authority was established by Act No 50 of 1998 of the Parliament. It has been established with the objectives of prevention of child abuse and supplying the protection and treatments for victims who were subjected to such abuse.

<p><b>Vision</b></p> <p>To create a friendly and protective environment for children</p>	<p><b>Mission</b></p> <p>To ensure that children are free from all forms of abuse</p>
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The main services rendered by National Child Protection Authority are,

- Maintaining a direct telephone line (1929) to inform about violence against children and child abuse
- Immediate intervention if a violation of child right, relevant to the child Right Act
- Legal intervention relevant to the child abuse
- Conducting educational exhibitions and awareness programmes
- Provision of psycho – social services to the victims
- Tsunami Foster – parent programme
- Special police investigations

National Child Protection Authority plays a massive role in providing above services for the children. When social security is established through them, a bundle of responsibilities and duties of individuals relevant to them exists.



We can extend our assistance to the contribution of the National Child Protection Authority for the establishment of social security through fulfilling above mentioned responsibilities and duties.

### 1.2.7 Responsibilities and duties of individuals relevant to the Human Rights Commission



Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka has been established for the protection of human rights by No 21 Act of 1996.

This commission renders a great service for the establishment of social security through the protection of human rights. When these tasks are performed, we, as individuals, possess responsibilities and duties connected to the commission. Few of them are shown below;

- Complaining about the violation of human rights.
- Showing obedience and respect for the recommendations of Human Rights Commission
- To participate in Human Rights promotional programmes
- Assisting activities of the Commission by providing necessary and correct information
- Fulfillment of duties connected to the human rights

### Activity 1.8



Several institutions that are formed for the establishment of social security are given in the column I in the table. State your duties relevant to them in column II

<b>Column I</b> Institutions which are active for the social security	<b>Column II</b> Duties to be fulfilled by us
1. Court	
2. Security Forces	
3. Conciliation Board	
4. National Child Protection Authority	
5. Human Rights Commission	

## Summary



- There is an inseparable mutual relationship between the individual and the society
- Ensuring the social protection and co-existence at the maximum level is social security
- Among the institutions that contribute for the establishment of social security family, school, religious institutions and social institutions are important.
- The constitution and various rules and regulations are established for the social security.
- Court, Police, Security forces, Conciliation Board, National Child Protection Authority, Human Rights Commission and several other institutions are established for the social security in Sri Lanka.
- There are obligations of citizens for the organizations that work to establish social security.
- For ensuring of social security, fulfilment of obligations and correct mechanisms are important.
- Correct establishment of social security at due level is important for the national development as for the well as sustainable peace.