

WIPO QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SURVEY ON COPYRIGHT REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT SYSTEMS

RESPONSES FROM SRI LANKA

QUESTIONNAIRE

A. COPYRIGHT REGISTRATION AND RECORDATION

Q.1

The law of Sri Lanka does not recognize copyright registration or recording. The copyright protection is accorded without any formality such as registration or recording.

Q.2 – 8 , 10-20, 23-26

In view of the response to question – 1, these questions are not applicable.

Q-9

No

Q-21 & 22

No such law exists.

B. LEGAL DEPOSIT

27. Yes

28. Printers & Publishes Ordinance - No: 1 of 1885 - amended by
No: 28 of 1951
No: 48 of 1973
No: 6 of 1976
No: 27 of 1983

Newspaper Ordinance - No: 5 of 1839 - amended by
No: 18 of 1951
No: 48 of 1973
No: 5 of 1976

29. Mandatory

30. Preservation of cultural heritage, collection of statistical information, produce at Courts for evidence when necessary, produce the list for National Literary Awards annually.

31. Deposited copy is a *prima facie* evidence of authorship.

32. No

33. Print material

34. (1). Upon printing/publishing
(11). Yes

35. No

36. No

37. Five Copies

38. Printers/Publishers

39. One month, after printing

40. Not so far

41. Department of National Archives

43. (1). Yes
(11). No

44. No

45. Print material
2005 – 8639
2006 – 8624
2007 – 8365
2008 – 7321
2009 - 7874