

## Minister of Ports & Civil Aviation



I am pleased to endorse and extend the Ministry of Ports & Civil Aviation's fullest cooperation for the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the Colombo International Maritime & Logistics Conference 2026. The Ministry of Ports and Civil Aviation has embarked on continuous modernisation of the Sri Lankan shipping, ports and the aviation sectors. The government is focussed on developing new investments and to attract global brands involved in the international logistics industry to make Sri Lanka a well-recognised maritime and logistics hub. The ministry is now working on a number of projects and is keen to receive innovative proposals that would help the development of the sectors I am responsible for.

The Colombo International Maritime and Logistics Conference has a rich history, and will bring in the necessary stimulus to discuss emerging opportunities in the maritime and the logistics industry.

I look forward to this event and I wish all the success and extend my fullest cooperation for the upcoming conference in September 2026.

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