

SRILANKA - FREE OF BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION

Bribery is the act of giving money, goods or other forms of recompense to a recipient in exchange of an alteration of their behaviour that the recipient would otherwise not alter.

Corruption is a form of dishonest or unethical conduct by a person entrusted with a position of authority, often to acquire personal benefit.

Both the person giving and the person receiving the bribe are guilty of bribery.

Bribery is a very old crime. There is evidence of bribery dating back more than 4000 years.

Bribing a public official is the most common type of bribery. Usually, a person who bribes a public official is paying to get special treatment. This special treatment can come in many forms. For example, a company might bribe an official to win a government contract.

Corruption is silently eating into the vitals of our nation like termite. Bit by bit, it is denting our dignity and compromising our soul. Not only does it affect individuals but alarmingly it affects our nation as a whole.

Corruption has afflicted all the organs of our society including the polity, bureaucracy, judiciary, police, businessmen and even public at large.

Some possible causes for bribery and corruption are personal greed, decline or personal ethical sensitivity, cultural environments that condone corruption, lack of transparency, especially at the institutional level, slow judicial processes and etc....

Impact of corruption is very hard on public life. This is more of awkward and defaming condition than being problematic. But it appears that the corruption is ever rising and unstoppable.

Further the people involved in corruption seem to be hiding themselves by blaming others. Even they are proud of themselves as

they made more money in short time.

In system with corruption there is no quality of service. To demand quality one might need to pay for it. This seem in many areas like municipality, electricity, distribution of relief funds etc....

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corruption in judiciary system leads to improper justice. And the victims of offense might suffer. A crime may be proved as benefit of doubt due to lack of evidence or even the evidence erased. Due to bribery and corruption in the police system, the investigation process goes on for decades. This lets the culprits roam free and even perform more crimes. ✓

In countries with more corruption one can notice more health problems among people. There will be no fresh drinking water, proper roads, milk adulteration, etc...

Corruption in the government department lets the industry people opt to release of untreated and harmful waste into rivers and air.

Things have come to such a pass that it is much more difficult for an honest person to survive in the system while the dishonest are clearly made to feel at home.

These are some recommended ideas to free our country of bribery and corruption, such as change the rules, punish the corrupt by revealing their corruption, put fear of god into people, pay people well, pay for qualifications, not results and clearly separate the legislature from the civil service.

So, as a citizen of our country. It's our duty and responsibility to try to free from bribery and corruption. First as individuals we musn't involve in such things and we must guide others too. ✓

So, Lets hope for, a country free of bribery and corruption in near future. ✓

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