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ing to bear fruit, Mr. Miyanwela said.

The accumulated loss was over Rs. 843
million up to now. According to the draft in-
come statement of Salusala for the finan-
cial year April 1 2013- March 31 2014, it has
incurred a net loss of Rs 14.8 million, and a
sum of Rs. 57 million loss was reported
during the previous financial year ending
March 31 2013.

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Lamborghini cars - once again hot topic in the country

Italian-made Lamborghini cars have once again turned out to be a hot topic in the country amidst a Customs move to bar the re-export of these vehicles.

The Customs action to stop the re-export of three Lamborghinis brought down for demonstration purposes by Euro Sports Auto Lanka (Pvt) Ltd was thwarted by an interim order issued by the Appeal Court on Thursday.

In a May 26 letter, Customs turned down a re-export request from the company directing it to pay all applicable taxes for the vehicles within 10 days. Arrangements were being made to recover a sum of Rs.260 million as duties and fines on the bank guarantees demanding Sampath Bank, NDB Bank and Seylan Bank to take necessary action towards this end.

The company in its Appeal Court petition stated that it came to know the banks have

issued pay orders favouring the Director General Customs to present the same for payment on June 3.

"If the pay orders are presented for payment and the accounts of the company are debited by banks, heavy (financial) damage would be caused to the company," the petition pointed out.

Considering the contents of the petition, the court issued an interim order staying the implementation of the Custom's DG's letter and restraining the department from claiming any sum of money on the bank guarantees. The case will be heard again on June 9.

The Lamborghini which could fetch a price of a phenomenal Rs. 91 million in Sri Lanka was brought down by the company during the last regime. The petition said that at no time were these vehicles used in Sri Lanka and remained at the showroom at all times.

Glyphosate ban mired in confusion

Two ministers contradict each other after President orders

By Namini Wijedasa and Joshua Surendraraj

With most experts claiming that glyphosate is one of the root causes of the devastating kidney di-

demia which has caused more than 20,000 deaths in recent years, two Cabinet ministers contradicted each other this week on the glyphosate "ban".

President Maumgala Sirisena insisted that all imports were stopped forth-

with while Agriculture Minister Duminda Dissanayake said the herbicide would still be permitted in controlled