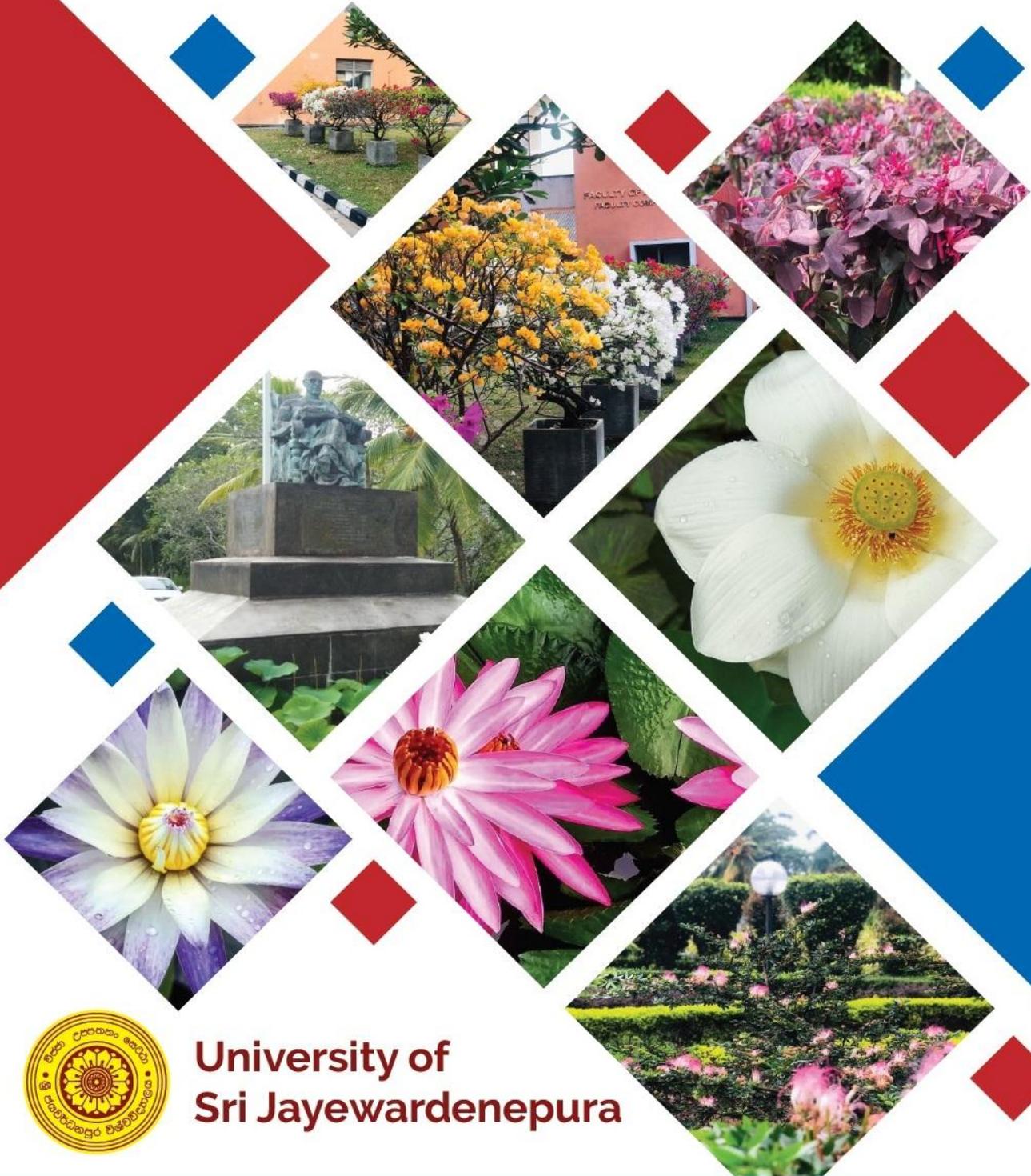


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NEWS

Ven. (Prof.) Pinnawala Sangasumana Thero appointed as the Director of EDECU

Ven. (Prof.) Pinnawala Sangasumana Thero of the Department of Geography, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, USJ was appointed as the new Director of External Degrees and Extension Courses Unit (EDECU), USJ with effect from the 3rd of May 2021.



Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam appointed as New Director, OTS, USJ



Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head of the Department of Accounting, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, assumed duties as the Director of the Operational Technical Secretariat (OTS), University of Sri Jayewardenepura, under the Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) program on 01st May 2021.

Snr. Prof. Sudantha Liyanage; Vice Chancellor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Prof. Shirantha Heenkenda; Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr. Kelum Gamage; Former Director, OTS, Mr. A.B. Welivita; Registrar, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, and other senior academic members and non-academic members participated in the event.

First ever International patent application (PCT)

The first-ever International Patent Application, aka "PCT Application", filed by USJ, was published on 29th July 2021. The application was submitted by the Department of Mechanical Engineering of the university.

The PCT published was for the design of a "Smooth lateral patient transfer apparatus" intended for laterally transferring patients from one horizontal surface to another (bed to trolley or vice-versa). The design has

considerably simplified the process of patient transfer, from being a complicated and labour intensive task, to one that can be handled by a single operator with minimum effort.

The novelty of the new design lies in its simplicity with no power sources or complex transfer maneuvers required. This will ensure comfort and safety for both the patient and the operator while making the task of cleaning and maintaining the structure hassle free.

A highlight of this achievement is that the design was co-invented by four senior students of the department of Mechanical Engineering, Dileesha Jayathilake, Shashika Gunawardana, Nuwan Jayaweera and Lasini Silva along with three of our senior academic staff members Dr. Thilaksiri Bandara, Dr. Dulini Mudunkotuwa and Dr. Tharaka Bandara, from the same department.



The idea was conceived by Dileesha Jayathilake, who was spurred into action by witnessing the discomfort his own father experienced when being transferred in a similar manner while undergoing treatments for a serious neurological condition.

During a critical time in the healthcare sector, it is heartening to see our engineers providing their expertise to improve the efficiency of our colleagues in the medical field, fighting in the frontlines.

Dileesha is pictured here with the transfer apparatus along with another student member of the team, Nuwan.

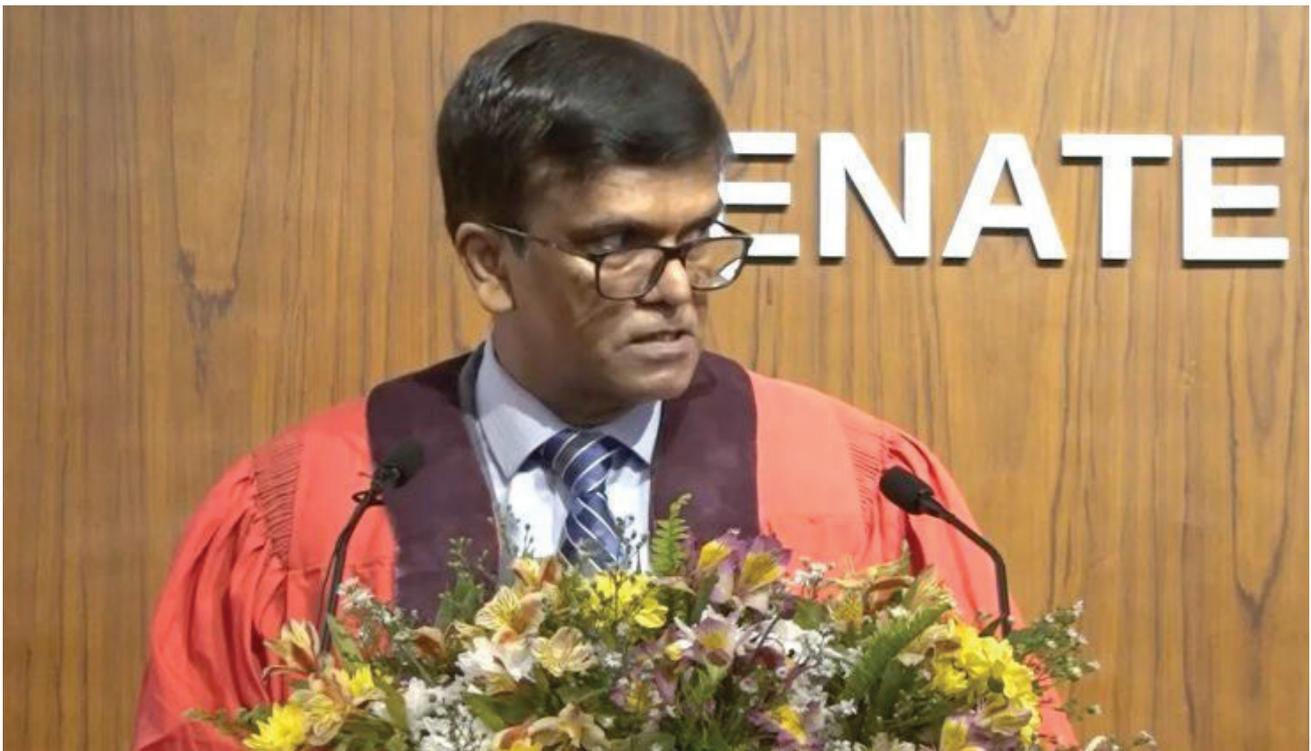
5G Innovation Centre



A 5G innovation center will be established in the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EE) following the discussions initiated in March 2021 and agreements signed between Dialog Axiata PLC and the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. This 5G innovation center will be under the purview of the University

Grants Commission (UGC) aiming to create and incubate interest-driven learning, innovation, and entrepreneurship for generations to come. Dr. Uditha Wijewardhana from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering is designated as the director of this 5G innovation center. This innovation center will facilitate students to gain first-hand experience in research and development activities connected to 5G technology platforms, including *inter alia* autonomous vehicles, robotics, artificial intelligence, and other practical applications that drive domestic innovation.

Commencement Lecture by Prof. Saroj Jayasinghe – 2019/2020 Batch of Allied Health Sciences



The commencement lecture for the 2019/2020 intake of Allied Health Sciences students of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura was held on 12th July 2021 at the Senate Board Room, University of Sri Jayewardenepura on a hybrid mode. It was conducted by Prof. Saroj Jayasinghe, who is an Emeritus Professor of Medicine, University of Colombo, and a Consultant to the Department of Medicine, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. The 2019/2020 intake of students was the first batch of students enrolled directly to the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences of University of Sri Jayewardenepura. Prof. Jayasinghe addressed the students on future challenges to be anticipated by undergraduates studying in the “new normal” condition and advised them on preparing for on-line and self-directed learning. He also emphasized on desired attributes of a healthcare professional and urged students to develop and practice empathy and kindness throughout their career.

Ethno-medicines for sustainable health solutions in the community - Prof. Wijayabandara speaks to the international community

Prof. Jayantha Wijayabandara, Professor in Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, was recently invited to deliver a speech on 'Ethnomedicine Inspired Drug Development - Issues and Challenges' at the 8th International Congress of the Society for Ethnopharmacology, India (SFEC 2021) held on a virtual platform at Pune College of Pharmacy, Pune, Maharashtra, India, from August 27-29, 2021. His research interests in ethno-medicines and the opportunities for sustainable health solutions through drug development based on ethno-pharmacological knowledge were shared at this forum.



Welcome ceremony for the first official batch of the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences

The first official batch of students (2019/2020 intake) was enrolled to the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences in June 2021. The Faculty of Allied Health Sciences obtained the faculty status in January 2019 and till then functioned as a Department in the Faculty of Medical Sciences. 50 students to follow the B.Sc. (Hon) Nursing and Midwifery degree, 54 students to follow the Bachelor of Pharmacy (Hons) degree, and 50 students to follow the B.Sc. (Hons) Medical Laboratory Sciences degree were enrolled.

The Orientation programme commenced on 21st June 2021 and the welcome ceremony held virtually on the same day marked the beginning of this program. Senior Professor D.M.S. Fernando, Dean, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, welcomed the new entrants to the Faculty. Senior Professor Sudantha Liyanage, the Vice Chancellor, also addressed the students and warmly welcomed them to the University of Sri Jayewardenepura community. Dr. M.K.D.L. Meegoda, Prof. M.D.J. Wijayabandara, Dr. G.U.S Wijesekara, and Dr. K. Akalanka, Heads of departments of Nursing and Midwifery, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Medical Laboratory Sciences, and Basic Sciences respectively, introduced each discipline and extended a warm welcome to the new entrants. The rest of the activities of the orientation programme were also held online due to the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation from 21st June 2021 to 5th July 2021.

1st Intellectual Discourse on “පැරණි තාක්ෂණයේ නූතන උපයෝගීතාව”



The first Intellectual Discourse organized by the Department of Anthropology was held on 18th August 2021 from 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm through Zoom.

This discussion was held under the theme of “පැරණි තාක්ෂණයේ නූතන උපයෝගීතාව” with the participation of the resource person Dr. Chandana Jayawardana, Senior Lecturer of the Faculty of Engineering Technology, Open University of Sri Lanka and the

moderator Prof. Praneeth Abhayasundara, Department of Anthropology of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura.

Abilitree Motivational Speech – Phase 6: ‘ගීත සුභාවිතය’ - ගී රස වින්දනාත්මක පිළිසඳුර



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Winners of the Brilliant Minds; Multiple Intelligence Challenge-2020



"The Brilliant Minds; Multiple Intelligence Challenge-2020" was organized by the Center for Digital Education and Professional Development (CDEPD) in collaboration with the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, with the aim of improving students' IQ and General Knowledge. The competition was conducted under three rounds and the final round was held on 23rd January 2021.

Three students were recognized as "The Brilliant Minds 2020 amongst 1070 competitors and cash prizes for the winners were presented by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Senior Professor Sudantha Liyanage at the university premises on 29th July 2021.

Winners of the "The Brilliant Minds; Multiple Intelligence Challenge-2020"

First Place

Bhagya Vihara Maddumage – Department of Anthropology

Second Place

Aloka Indushani Ranasinghe – Department of Languages, Cultural Studies and Performing Arts

Third Place

Hiruni Amanga Dissanayake – Department of Economics

The Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Center for Digital Education and Professional Development (CDPED) extend warm congratulations to the winners on their outstanding achievement and wish them good luck and success for their future endeavors.

Arunella

“Arunella” is one of the main CSR projects organized by the Career Skills Development Society of University of Sri Jayewardenepura to provide better knowledge and provide infrastructure facilities to the students who are studying in schools in the rural areas with minimum facilities.

On this occasion, Kudarawaliya Kanitu Vidyalaya, Kotawehera, Nikaweratiya, which has 135 students, was selected. The school is situated 10km away from the Nikaweratiya town.

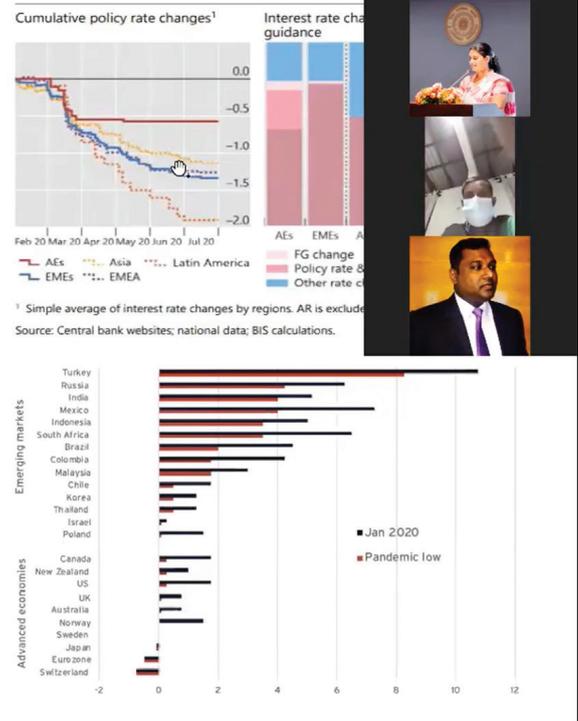
The following webinars were conducted targeting the A/L students during June and July 2021.

- Physics MCQ 100 Webinar
- Biology Seminar

'Impact of COVID-19 on macroeconomic variables'

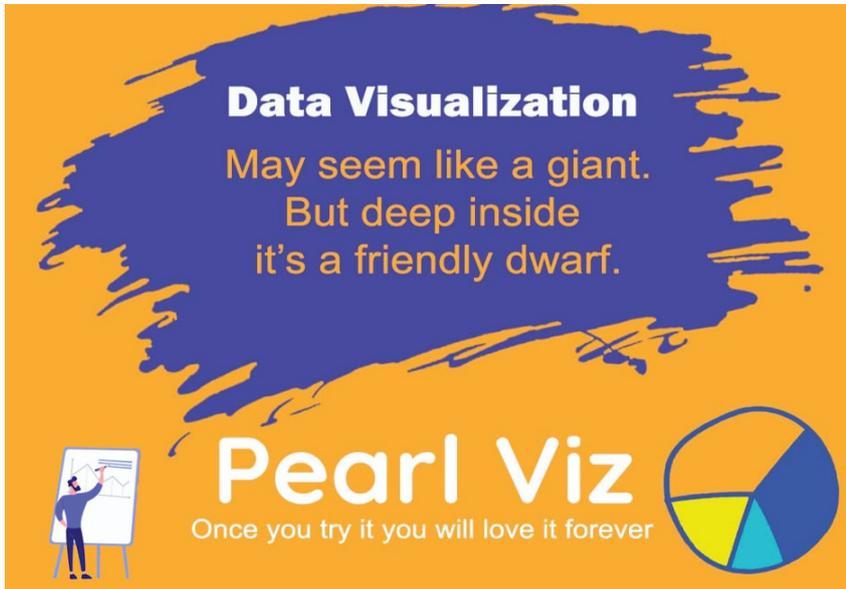
Monetary Policy Responses

- Central banks reduced interest rates substantially
 - ease funding costs
 - support aggregate demand
- Except in Japan and the euro area, where they were already negative, rates were cut and in many advanced countries they quickly approached zero

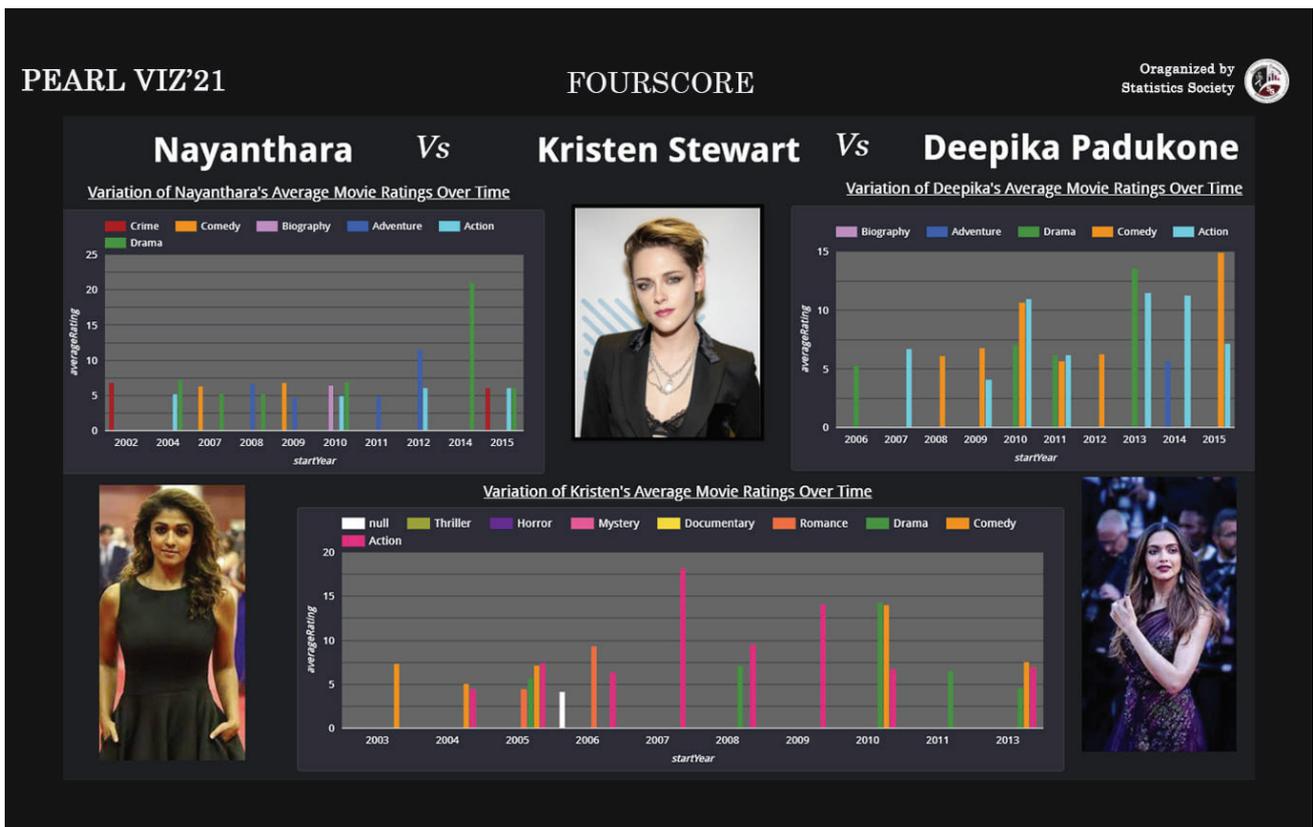


Dr. Anil Perera (Director, Domestic Operations Department, Central Bank of Sri Lanka) conducted a guest lecture on the theme of 'Impact of COVID-19 on macroeconomic variables' for the students of the Diploma in Entrepreneurial Business Management (DEBM) programme on 14th August 2021. This session was organised by Ms. Pubudini Liyanage (Lecturer, Department of Entrepreneurship, FMSC).

Pearl Viz: Data Visualization competition from the Department of Statistics



At a time when data visualization is blooming in almost all fields, the Statistics Society of University of Sri Jayewardenepura took a bold initiative to organize a data visualization competition "Pearl Viz." This was organized to give a thorough exposure to our students who are eager and determined to step into the field of academia or the industry. The competition was open only to the Faculty of Applied Sciences and it proved to be a great success with the registration of over 40 teams with a maximum of 4 members per team.



The panel of Judges were Dr. Rajitha Silva, Senior Lecturer at the Department of Statistics, Dr. Thiyanga Talagala, Senior Lecturer at the Department of Statistics, Mr Dinuka Lokugamage - Data Analyst at MAS Holdings (Pvt.) Ltd., and Ms. Hashani Kumarasinghe - Visiting Lecturer and Senior Data Engineer at Axiata Digital Labs. Their continuous support and guidance has made the marking procedure much more detailed and precise ensuring that all teams are evaluated fairly

USJ plays a vital role in Erasmus + project to promote waste management education in Sri Lanka



The USJ is part of an international consortium under an Erasmus+ project with the aim of contributing to waste management education in Sri Lanka. The Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka (TESS) is co-financed by the European Union under the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education programme.

The University of South-Eastern Norway coordinates the project and the USJ, four other Sri Lankan universities, three European universities, and a non-profit organisation develop new interdisciplinary programmes and redesign the existing programmes in the area of waste management. Under this objective, different activities such as creation and reformulation of courses, training workshops for teachers, digital learning, increased recruitment

of female students, cooperation with industry, the inclusion of local municipalities as associated partners, and intensive dissemination will be carried out together with exploitation activities. These activities aim to strengthen the capacities of higher education institutions in waste management, to provide advisory services to municipalities and companies, to improve the international profile of institutions, and to develop high-quality teaching and research.

The project team is made up of specialists in the area of Management and Engineering in order to achieve a more comprehensive approach to the issue of waste management. Senior Prof. Kennedy Gunawardana, Prof. Dayananda Ambalangodage, Dr. Anil Fernando, Dr. Kingsly Karunaratne and Mr. Ranil Peiris from the FMSC involved in this project.

Orientation, Faculty of Technology

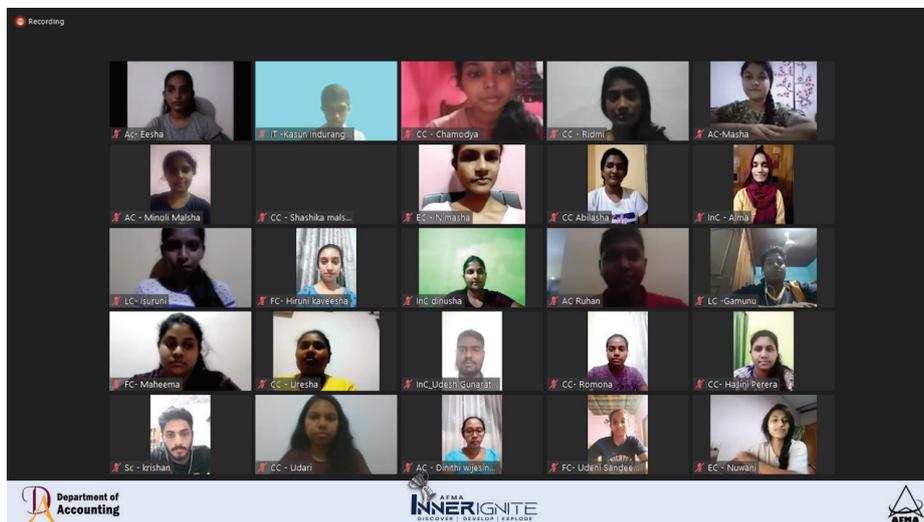
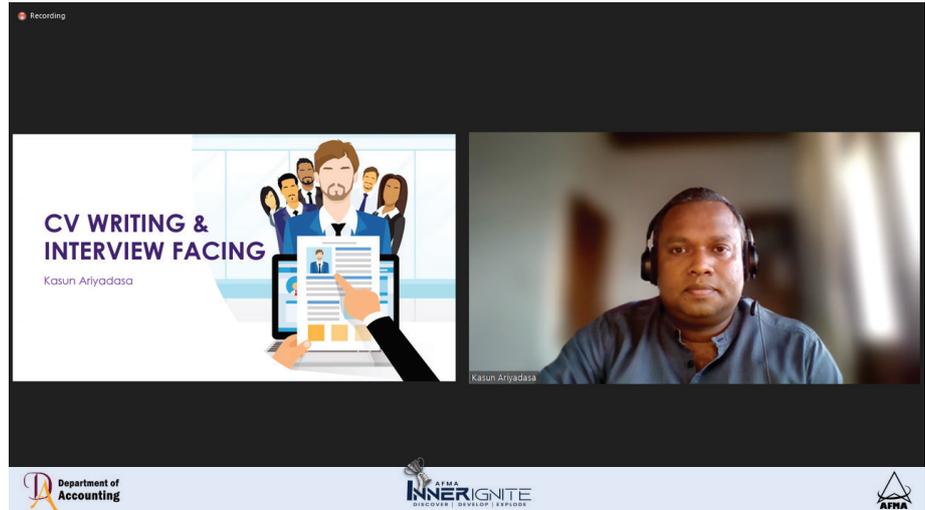
The Orientation programme 2021, Faculty of Technology, was held virtually from 05th July 2021 to 07th July 2021. The inaugural session of the orientation programme 2021 was addressed by Sr. Prof. Sudantha Liyanage, Vice-Chancellor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Prof. Nilmini Liyanage, Dean, Faculty of Technology, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, and other senior academic and administrative offices to provide a more holistic understanding of the University and the Faculty.

The orientation programme concluded with an entertainment event by Mr. Mahindra Prasad Masibula. Following the orientation programme, a month-long intensive course was conducted by the Department of Science for Technology to introduce basic concepts of Mathematics and English.

InnerIgnite - Phase 1.0 - CV writing and facing interviews

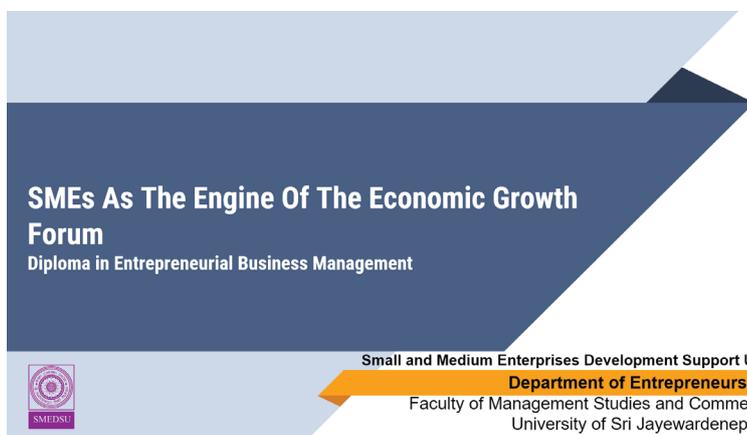
InnerIgnite is a series of programmes organised by the Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA) of the Department of Accounting, FMSC, to revolutionise the personal and professional development of undergraduates of the University.

As Phase 1.0, a session on 'CV writing and interview facing' was successfully conducted by Mr. Kasun Ariyadasa (Director, Software Engineering



at IFS), a proud alumnus of the Department, on 21st June 2021. This session was held via Zoom and broadcast on Facebook. This was a collaborative effort of AFMA and the Communication Skills Development Program of the Skills Development Programme of Intern Accountants. The session was open to all undergraduates of the USJ via Zoom.

SME Forum



The Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) Forum was successfully held on 15th August 2021 with the participation of Prof. S.P. Premaratne (University of Colombo), Dr. M. Ganeshamoorthy (University of Colombo) and Mr. Saliya Balasooriya (Central Bank of Sri Lanka). The forum was organised by Ms. Pubudini Liyanage (Lecturer, Department of Entrepreneurship) and Mr. Dhanuka Perera (Programme Coordinator, DEBM) under the Diploma in Entrepreneurial Business Management (DEBM) programme offered by the Small

and Medium Enterprise Development Support Unit (SMEDSU) of the Department of Entrepreneurship, FMSC.

Surveying Training Camp for CBST and AT Students, Department of Civil and Environmental Technology

The Department of Civil and Environmental Technology organized an intensive training program on 'surveying' for students following Construction and Building Services Technology (CBST) and Archeo-technology (AT) in March/ April 2021. Thirty-six students from the 2016/2017 batch completed the program while gaining hands-on experience on operation, measurements and plotting using the industry-standard Total Station, Theodolite and Auto level. The academic staff and academic support staff of the Construction and Building Services Technology and Geotechnology group supervised this training activity.



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Commercialization of Efficient Bio-diesel Production by Technology Faculty

USJ Tech-transfer Office of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura made yet another successful stride by signing a technology licensing agreement with Divergent Technology (Pvt.) Ltd.

A novel patented technology on an efficient method to produce Biodiesel, invented by Dr. Udara Arachchige and his team of the Faculty of Technology, was transferred to the industry of commerce for productions.



The transfer of the Intellectual Property through an exclusive licensing agreement between the two parties was held on 20.07.2021 at Vice Chancellor's Office of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. Present at the occasion were Vice-Chancellor; Snr Prof. Sudantha Liyanage, USJ Tech Transfer Director; Dr. Priyan Perera, Research Team members; Dr. Udara Arachchige, Dr. Randika Jayasinghe, of the Faculty of Technology, Prof. Renuka Nilmini, Dean, Faculty of Technology, Prof. Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam, OTS Director, Mr. Weliwita, Registrar, and Mr. Trishan Perera, Manager, USJ Tech Transfer Office.



CONFERENCES AND RESEARCH

Institute of Chemistry Presidential address

Senior Professor Sagarika Ekanayake delivered the presidential address titled 'Sustainable development through chemical sciences' at the Golden Jubilee Annual Sessions and the 80th Anniversary Celebration of the Institute of Chemistry Sri Lanka on 27th June 2021.



Young Accountants' Research Conference (YARC) 2021

The Young Accountants' Research Conference (YARC) 2021, organised by the Department of Accounting, FMSC, was successfully held on 10th May 2021 via Zoom. Mr. Prabash Galagedara, General Manager, Customer Identity and Platform Data on Customers Channel Operations, Telstra Consumer and Small Business, Australia, a proud alumnus of the Department of Accounting, delivered the conference's keynote address. Further, the conference was graced by Emeritus Prof. M.W. Wickramarachchi, the founder of the Department. Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC), Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam (Head of the Department), academic staff and undergraduates of the Department also attended the event. During the technical sessions, 43 young accountants presented their research studies in five tracks.



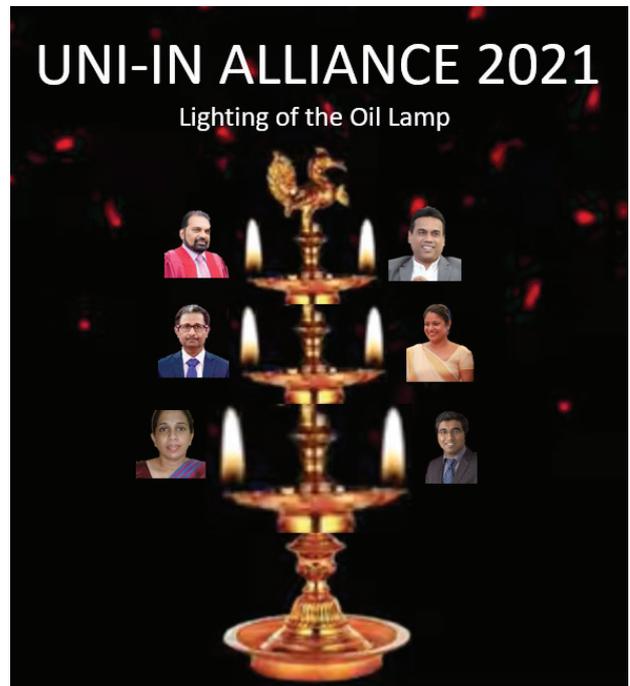
J'Pura Applied Science Students to Reach Pinnacles in Academia – A Note on the 7th Uni-in-Alliance Symposium

The students following B. Sc. Hons in Applied Sciences organized the 7th consecutive Uni-In-Alliance Symposium on 29th July 2021.

The event was held as a virtual event, and the research findings of 81 students following the B. Sc. Hons degree in Applied Sciences were published. The research work under 11 major fields, including and not limited to, biology, industrial and environmental chemistry, forestry, statistics, economics, physics and robotics, were presented at the event.

The symposium chair, Mr. Kishu Gomez delivered a timely and an important speech about the responsibilities of the youth for the development of the country. Other distinguished guests were Snr. Prof. Sudantha Liyanage, Vice Chancellor of the university, Snr. Prof. Laleen Karunaratne, Dean of the faculty and other faculty and industrial representatives.

The symposium was coordinated by Dr. Pahan Godakumbura – Coordinator, B. Sc. (Honours) Degree Programme in Applied Sciences and was supported by Dr. Janitha Walpita and Dr. Anushka Rajapakshe, as assistant coordinators of the degree programme. The best presenters were awarded certificates at the closing ceremony, and the proceedings were published online.



2nd Annual Conference on Business Economics (ACBE) 2021



The 2nd Annual Conference on Business Economics (ACBE) 2021 themed 'Emerging challenges for developing economies and way forward' was successfully held virtually on 30th June 2021 via Zoom. This was organised by the Research Center for Business Economics and Development Studies of the Department of Business Economics (RCBEDS), FMSC.

At the inauguration ceremony, Dr. Ranjith Ihalanayake (Head of Postgraduate Courses and Senior Lecturer in Economics and Finance, Victoria University Business School, Australia) delivered the keynote address. The conference was also graced with Senior Prof. Sampath Amarathunga's presence (professor Chair of Business Economics and Chairman of the University Grants Commission) as the Chief Guest. Senior Prof. Sudantha Liyanage (Vice-Chancellor), Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC), Heads of Departments, academic staff of the Faculty, and undergraduate and postgraduate students of the Department also attended.

Thirty-three selected abstracts were presented at the conference, and they were published in the Proceedings Book of ACBE 2021.



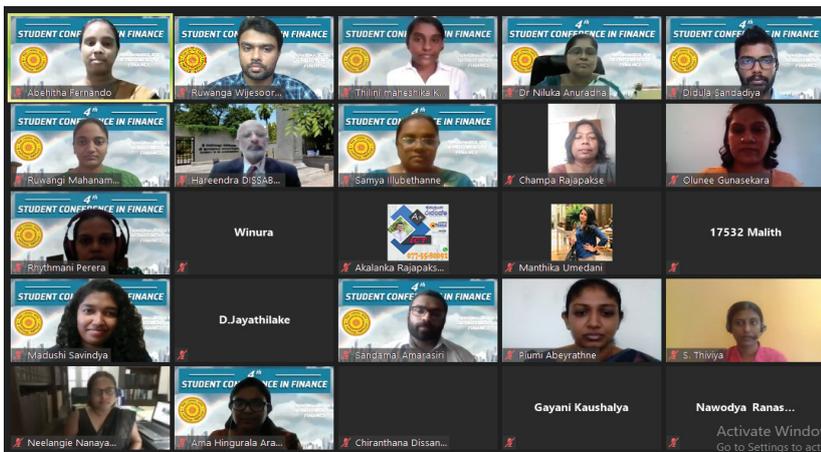
HRM Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021

The Department of Human Resource Management, FMSC successfully organised the 2nd Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021 on 16th July virtually via Zoom. The inauguration ceremony of the symposium was honoured by the presence of Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC), Prof. (Dr.) G.D.N. Perera (Head of the Department), Prof. (Dr.) Dushar Dayaratna and Dr Padmini Jayasekara (Co-chairs of the Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021), academic staff and students of the Department.

Prof. (Dr.) Bhadra J.H. Arachchige (Department of Human Resource Management, USJ) delivered the keynote speech on 'Fostering a research culture'. Further, a special speech was delivered by the Chair of HRM, Senior Professor Dr. H.H.D.N.P. Opatha, highlighting the significance of conducting academic research.

Seven papers were presented at the symposium, and Prof. M.D. Pushpakumari and Dr. Ayesha Kotuwage from the Department of Business Administration, FMSC chaired the research sessions. Moreover, 13 selected articles in the research sessions were published in the proceedings book.

4th Student Conference in Finance 2021



The Student Conference in Finance (SCF) is an annual event of the Department of Finance, FMSC, which showcases the research studies conducted by the final-year students of the Department on different aspects of the discipline of Finance. The 4th SCF was successfully held on 12th July 2021 virtually via Zoom with the contribution of students, academic staff and industry participants. Senior Prof. Sudantha Liyanage (Vice-Chancellor) graced

the event as the Chief Guest, while Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC) participated as the Guest of Honor. Senior Prof. Hareendra Dissabandara (Department of Finance, FMSC) delivered the keynote speech. Following the inauguration ceremony, student research work was presented under two parallel technical sessions. All the presenters were given constructive feedback and comments from the eminent session chairs representing the Department of Finance, to further improve their research work.

19th Research Sessions of the Faculty of Management and Commerce

The 19th FMSC Research Sessions was held on 11th August 2021 at the New Boardroom of the FMSC. Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC) graced this event as the Chief Guest. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Prathap Kaluthanthri (Senior Lecturer, Department of Estate Management and Valuation, FMSC) on the topic of 'Corporate real estate

as functional resource to strategic resource'. Prof. Lalith Chandralal and Dr. J.W. Dushan Chaminda (Department of Marketing Management, FMSC) shared their expertise from their study titled 'Abductive reasoning in research:

Reflections from a convergent parallel research design for exploring destinations' as the special speakers of the session. Further, four research studies were presented by junior faculty members at the 19th FMSC Research Sessions.



Webinars and Workshops Conducted

During the period between May-August 2021, the university has organized a series of webinars and workshops either for the university students or for outsiders such as school children, or the public.

How to Conduct a Systematic Literature Review
Workshop organized by the Research Centre - FMSC

Resource Person

Prof. (Mrs.) P. G. S. A. Jayarathne
Head- Department of Marketing Management
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Date: 25th June 2021
Time: 7.00 pm
Delivery Mode: Online

1. Workshop on 'How to conduct a structured literature review' by The Research Center for Management Studies and Commerce (RCMSC), FMSC

HOW TO PITCH YOUR RESEARCH IDEA
Workshop organized by the Research Centre - FMSC

Resource Persons

Prof. Athula Manawaduge
Department of Accounting
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Prof. Wasantha Perera
Department of Finance
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Date: 29th June 2021
Time: 9.30 am – 12.00 pm
Delivery Mode: Online

2. Workshop on 'How to pitch your research 'idea' by RCMSC, FMSC

TRAINING PROGRAM ON REGRESSION ANALYSIS
Workshop organized by the Research Centre - FMSC

Resource Person:
Dr. (Mrs.) C.W. Chaturani Silva
Senior Lecturer
Department of Decision Sciences
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Date: Session 1- 27th August 2021
Session 2- 31st August 2021
Time: 9.00 am – 12.00 pm
Delivery Mode: Online

Areas Covered

1. Types of regression models
2. Correlation and linear regression analysis
3. Model adequacy checking
4. Mediation and moderation

3. Workshop on 'Regression analysis, by RCMSC, FMSC
4. 'Importance of logic and structure in writing' by the Department of Commerce, FMSC
5. 'How to build and protect your e-reputation and personal brand on social media' by Department of Commerce, FMSC
6. 'Puzzle out Arena' by the Students' Association of Estate Management and Valuation, FMSC
7. 'Yoga for balanced life' by the Department of Marketing Management, FMSC
8. Academic development workshop series of the Sri Lanka Forum of Entrepreneurship (SLFE) led by the Department of Entrepreneurship, FMSC
9. 'Property Talks' by the Estate Management and Valuation Alumni Association of the Department of Estate Management and Valuation, FMSC

How to build and protect your e-reputation and personal brand on social media
June 25th - 4:00 PM

With **Mr. Denzil Perera**
Chairman Salusala and Board Director - SANASA General Insurance
MBA (PIM-USJ), Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing, B.Sc in Marketing (Special) USJ

Department of Commerce
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

"Positioning businesses in the foreign market"
INTRODUCING The guest speaker

Ms. Manojee Dabare
Head of Business Development
ICL Brands
Maharaja group of companies

Via **zoom** **6pm 5th June**

Department of Marketing Management
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

10. 'Positioning businesses in the foreign market' by the Marketing Management Association of the Department of Marketing Management, FMSC
11. 'Beyond internship: how do we plan our career?'" by the Department of Commerce, FMSC
12. "Let's Get Together for a Green Culture in our University" by the Green Hub of FHSS
13. "Water: Ecological Paradigms in Buddhism" hosted by the project on Environmental Ethics and Wellbeing by the Green Hub of FHSS
14. The General Research Committee (GRC), Section A, and Committee for Popularization of Science (CPS) of Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLASS) in collaboration with the FAHS organized "Scientific Writing and Publishing" for third and final year undergraduates of FAHS
15. Efforts to uplift teaching and research capacity of FAHS academics – Adjusting to the 'new normal' by the Staff Development Committee of FAHS

PROPERTY TALKS
Session #1
CONTEMPORARY REAL ESTATE MARKET IN SRI LANKA
CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD

7th May 2021 (Friday)
6.00pm to 7.00pm IST via Zoom

Guest Speaker
Mr. Brahmanage Premalal
Chairman, Prime Group

Moderator
Mr. Indika Jayathilake, AIV, MRICS
Chartered Valuation Surveyor

This is a live free event

PUZZLE OUT ARENA

INTRODUCING THE KEY SPEAKER FOR THE VERY FIRST WEBINAR SESSION ON
"VALUATION AND CAREER"

Dr Prathap Kaluthantri
Senior Lecturer, University of Sri Jayewardenepura
Chartered Valuation Surveyor
PhD (USM), M.Sc. in REMV (SJP),
MBA (PIM-USJ),
Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education (Colombo),
B.Sc. (Special) EMV (SJP),
Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing (UK),
MRICS, AIV

6th of June at 6PM via **zoom**

Association of Estate Management and Valuation
Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce
University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Importance of Logic and Structure in Writing



Ayoma Peiris (MBA, ACMA, FCCA)
Associate Director, Acuity Knowledge Partners

To explain to the undergraduates about the role of a research consultant/research analyst, how to do market analysis and making a strong recommendation through data analysis.

07th of June
MONDAY | 09.00 am Onwards



IMPORTANCE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION AND SETTING THE CORRECT MINDSET AS TRAINERS

Workshop Series on Staff Development of the Sri Lanka Forum of Entrepreneurship



Resource Person
Prof. B. Nishantha
Professor in Entrepreneurship,
Department of Management & Organizational Studies
Faculty of Management and Finance
University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Date 04th June 2021
Time 9 A.M. - 12 Noon
Venue Online Via Zoom
Meeting ID 669 3232 4777
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CONTRIBUTION TO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Vice Chancellor Snr. Prof. Sudantha Liyanage appointed as the Chairman of Expert Committee on Electoral Reforms

Vice Chancellor of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Senior Professor Sudantha Liyanage has been appointed as the Chairman of the Expert Committee on Electoral Reforms. The committee was appointed for the purpose of analyzing proposals for Reforming Election Structure and Electoral Laws in the country.



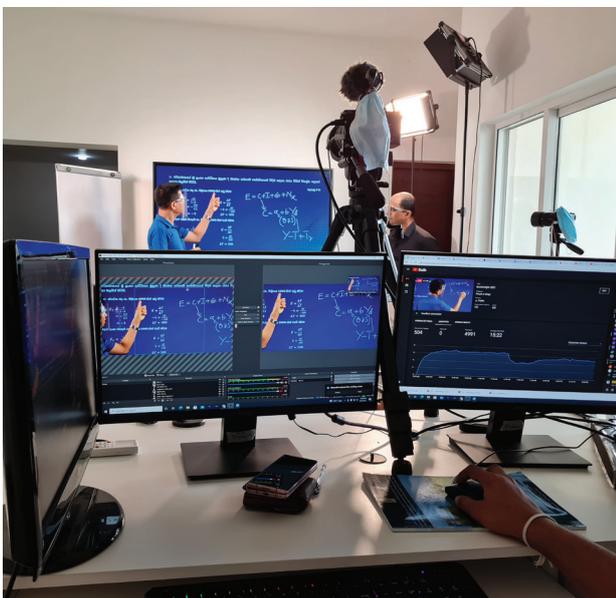
In order to identify appropriate reforms of the election laws and the electoral system, Hon. Leader of the House and Foreign Minister Dinesh Gunawardena announced the appointment at the committee meeting held on 28th July 2021. Dr. Anura Karunathilake, Mr. Suren Fernando, Prof. P. Balasundarampillai and Dr. Gautham Balachandran are the other members appointed to the committee.

155 proposals from the public and civil society organizations have been received for the purpose of Reforming Election Structure and Electoral Law, the Secretary to the Parliamentary Select Committee (appointed to identify appropriate reforms of the election laws and the electoral system), Chief of Staff and Deputy Secretary General of Parliament, Ms. Kushani Rohanadeera stated.

The time period allotted to submit proposals and ideas to the Parliamentary Select Committee appointed to identify appropriate reforms of the election laws and the electoral system ended on July 15.

ECONINSIGHT 2021

The Business Economics Students' Association (BIZCON) of the Department of Business Economics, FMSC, successfully organised 'ECONINSIGHT 2021', a two-day seminar on Economics for the 6th consecutive year to enhance the subject knowledge of the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) students. Dr. Ananda Rathnayake and Dr. Janaka Fernando (Senior Lecturers, Department of Business Economics) participated in the seminar which was held virtually on 10th and 12th August 2021, with schoolteachers and students from all over the country participating via Zoom and YouTube live streaming. The seminar was sponsored by Achievers Lanka Business School.

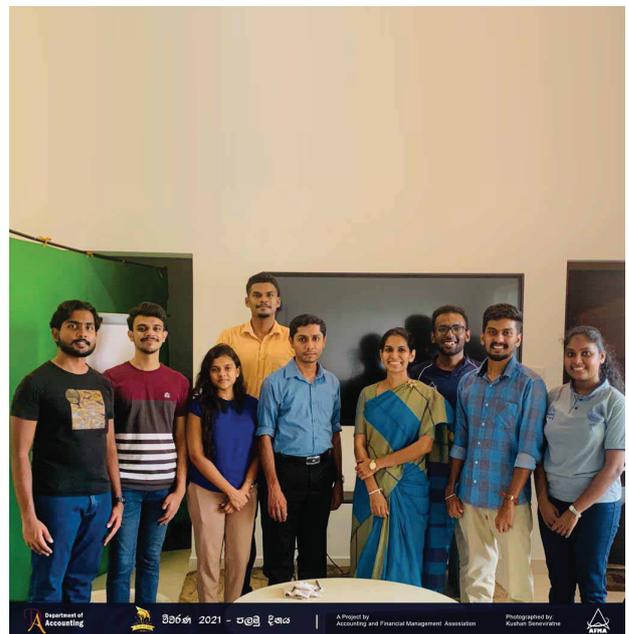


Vivarana 2021

'Vivarana', a special seminar on G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Accounting, was organised by the Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA) of the Department of Accounting, FMSC for the 3rd consecutive time. The seminar was held on 28th, 29th and 30th June 2021 with the participation of school teachers and students who expect to face the examination in the Commerce stream at the G.C.E. A/L Examination 2021.



The seminar was conducted virtually via Zoom and was streamed live on the AFMA YouTube channel. On the first two days of the seminar, Senior Professor Samantha Senaratne, Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam, Dr. Hilary Silva, Mr. Rangajeewa Herath, Mr. Chathuranga Sandaruwan, and Ms. Amali Henadirage participated as the resource persons. Mr. Akila Uthsara and Mr. Hishan Prabhawara, second-year undergraduates of the Department, discussed an exam-focused model paper (new syllabus) on 30th June 2021. The sponsor of the seminar was CA Sri Lanka.



Preserving repatriated Wanniya-Laeto Remains from the University of Edinburgh at Dambana - Mahiyanganaya

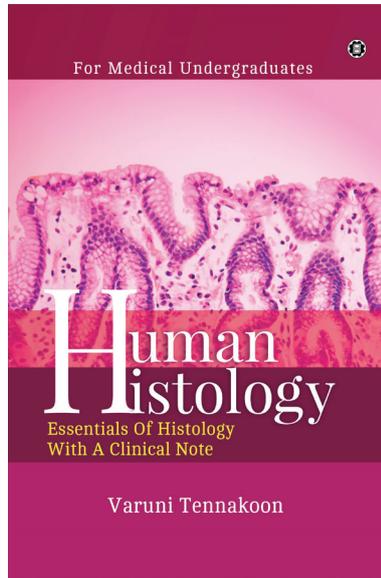
Senior Prof S.G Yasewardene, Chair and Professor of Anatomy, Department of Anatomy, and Dr. Sajith Edirisinghe, Lecturer, Department of Anatomy, Faculty of Medical Sciences were invited by the Department of Archaeology, Ministry of Cultural Affairs of Sri Lanka, to lead the assembly and preservation of a series of skeletons of Wanniya-Laeto (labelled 'Veddah') remains received from the University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom.

The skeletal remains were taken from Sri Lanka during the British colonial period and stored in the University of Edinburgh's anatomical collection for more than 100 years. Dr Oshan Wedage from Department of History and Archeology, University of Sri Jayewardenepura initiated the process of bringing down the skeletons to Sri Lanka. In response to the request, Prof. Yasawardene and Dr. Edirisinghe visited the cultural heritage museum in Dambana village - Wariga Maha Gedara (වරිග මහ ගෙදර), Mahiyanganaya in August 2021 and their efforts were successful in preservation of these skeletons for future generations, as part of an exhibition highlighting the culture of the Wanniya-Laeto and the impact of colonialism on these societies.



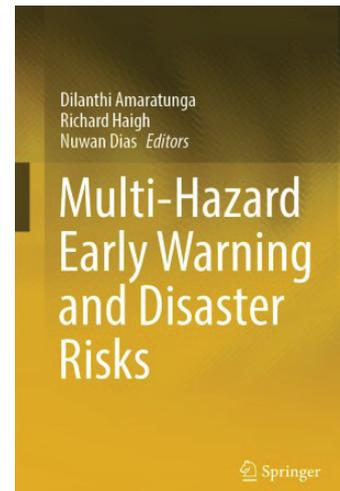
PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Varuni Tennakoon, a senior lecturer and the Head of the Department of Anatomy, Faculty of Medical Sciences, published a textbook 'Human Histology – Essentials of Histology with A Clinical Note'. Dr. Tennakoon has compiled this book with collective years of experience in teaching general histology for medical and allied health science undergraduates.



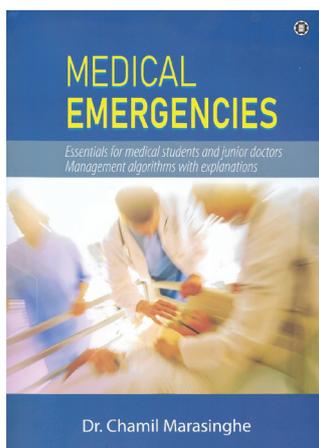
The book illustrates essentials of human histology in a user-friendly and methodical manner with coloured images. The book was published by Sarasavi Publishers, and the first print was issued in May 2021.

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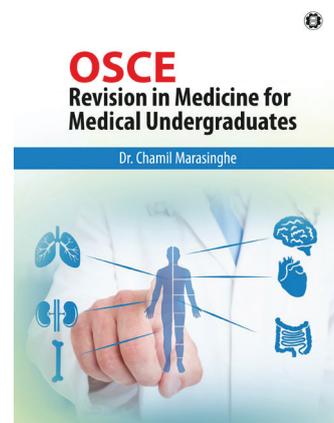


Prof. S. B Navarathne from the Department of Food Science and Technology has published a book chapter titled "Development of a Legume Based Disaster Resilient Emergency Food Product" in the book 'Multi-Hazard Early Warning and Disaster Risk'.

Dr. Chamil Marasinghe, a consultant physician and a senior lecturer in the Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medical Sciences, published two textbooks.



1. 'Medical Emergencies – Essentials for Medical Students and Junior Doctors. Management Algorithms with Explanations'. This textbook presents simplified algorithms in management of common medical emergencies



2. 'OSCE – Revision in Medicine for Medical Undergraduates'. This textbook presents a variety of practice OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) stations that are relevant to local examination settings for the final year medical undergraduates.

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These words have been selected by a special panel and have been explained in a scientific manner focusing on providing quality and comprehensive meaning for these words.

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Faculty of Technology Launches a New Journal – Advances in Technology

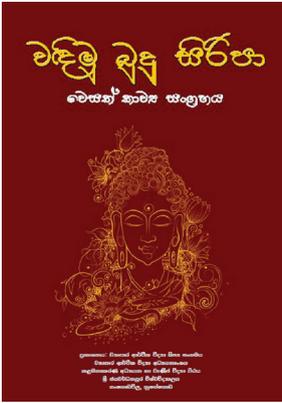


The inaugural issue of the research journal, *Advances in Technology (Adv. Technol.)*, initiated by the Faculty of Technology was successfully launched on 12th June 2021.

Advances in Technology (ISSN 2773-7098) is an open-access, peer-reviewed journal that covers the theoretical and experimental research pertaining to the knowledge and applications of Technology in all aspects of Applied Sciences, Engineering, and Education. The first issue of the *Advances in Technology* was handed over to Senior Professor Sudantha Liyanage, Vice-Chancellor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, by the Editor-in-Chief, Professor Renuka Nilmini, with the participation of the journal committee members at the launching ceremony held at the Vice Chancellor's office, University of Sri Jayewardenepura.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

Poojabhiwandana 2021



The Business Economics Students' Association (BIZCON) of the Department of Business Economics, FMSC organised 'Poojabhiwandana 2021', a Vesak Celebration Programme during May 2021. As the first phase of the programme, students

were able to donate food rations to several needy families. The second phase of the programme was the online inter-university poetry and free verse competition. Marking the conclusion of the competition, a booklet named 'Wadimu Budu 'Siripa' was launched on 29th May 2021 by compiling the 18 best poems and free verses selected by an eminent panel of judges.

Yasodarawatha

A virtual dhamam sermon session organised by the Students Society of the Department of Commerce, FMSC, under the topic of 'Yasodarawatha' was held on 26th May 2021 via Zoom. The session was conducted by the Most Venerable Meegoda Sukhitha Thero from Bambalapitiya Vajiraramaya.

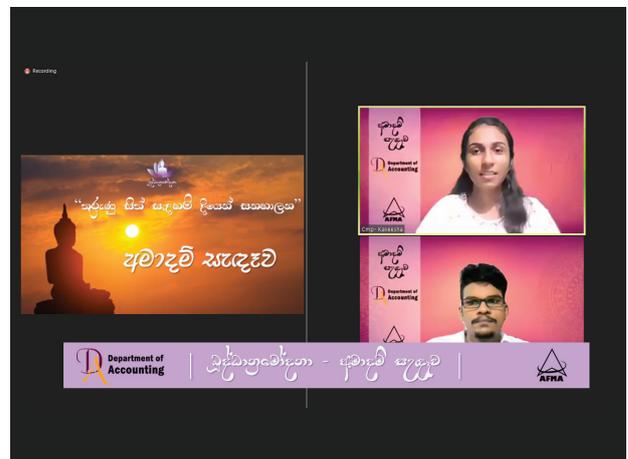


Buddhanumodhana Programme

The Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA) of the Department of Accounting, FMSC, organised 'Buddhanumodana', a two-phased Vesak day celebration programme in May 2021.

As the first phase of the programme, a series of posts on the theme, 'eight worldly dharmas' were published on the official AFMA Facebook page between 24th and 28th May 2021.

'Amadam Sendawa', the second phase, was held on 29th May 2021 via Zoom, and the programme consisted of several events such as a dhamma discussion, a 'Bakthi 'Geetha' session, as well as an appreciation of the birth, enlightenment and the death of Gautama Buddha.



Buddha Prabha

A virtual Vesak celebration program, organised by the Students' Society of the Department of Commerce, FMSC, was held on 27th May 2021 via Zoom. The programme featured Vesak devotional songs, poems, Dhamma Pada (digital media) and paintings demonstrating the excellent skills and abilities of the undergraduates of the Department.

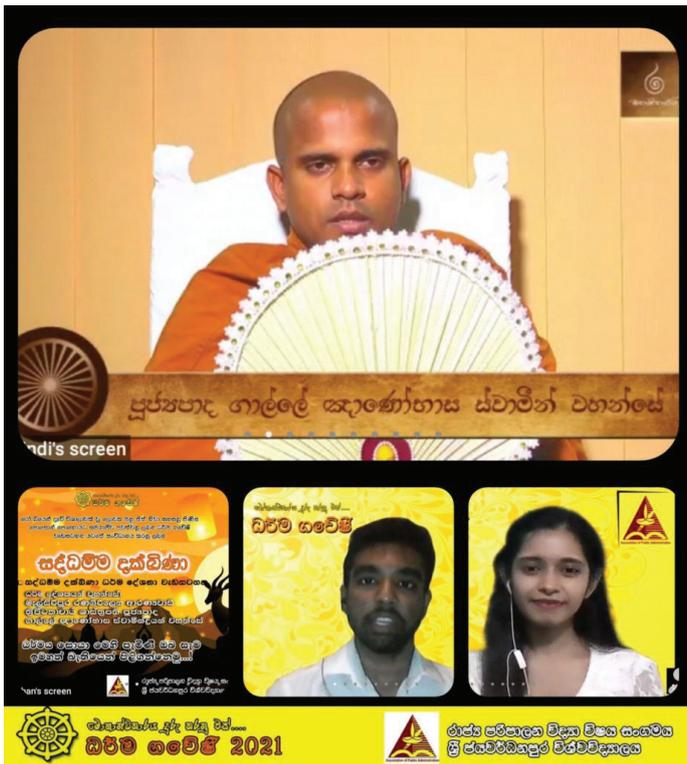
Sanda Diya Dahara 2021



'Sanda Diya Dahara (සඳ දිය දහරා) 2021', a three-day online Poson Full Moon Poya day programme was organised by the EMV Students' Association,

FMSC was broadcast online via the EMV Crew official Facebook page and the official YouTube channel between 24th and 26th June 2021. The programme included a digital pandal (Thorana) and six clips of 'Bethi Gee Saraniya'. This programme aimed to showcase students' talents and commemorate the significance of Poson Full Moon Poya day.

Dharma Gaweshi



With the ambition of celebrating Poson Poya Day, and commemorating the gift of Buddhist philosophy to Sri Lanka, the Association of Public Administration (APA) of the Department of Public Administration, FMSC, successfully organised a programme titled 'Dharma 'Gaweshi'. This religious programme spanned over two weeks leading to its pinnacle on Poson Poya Day (24th June 2021). A series of events was held virtually with hundreds of participants representing both the university community and the general public.

The programme consisted of four segments: a Dhamma quiz competition conducted on Facebook, a Buddhist poetry competition, a Dhamma sermon, and a Poson devotional music programme. The programme reached its zenith on Poya Day with the Dhamma sermon programme organised virtually by Venerable Galle Gnanobhasa Thero (Ranagirilena Monastery,

Malsiripura). Poson devotional songs sung by the students of the Department marked the conclusion of the event.

Nenasara

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, the project 'Nenasara' was transformed into an e-learning platform from February 2021 onwards after its launch in 2019. Accordingly, two-hour sessions for Accounting, Economics and Business Studies were conducted via Zoom. All Zoom sessions reached the maximum capacity.

Hence the sessions were live-streamed on YouTube. Students were provided with all the study materials, and those who were unable to attend the real-time sessions were given a chance to download videos from YouTube afterwards. Online sessions were successfully continued during the months of May, June and July 2021 where five Zoom sessions were organised during each week for Accounting, Business Studies and Economics. The project was implemented by the Marketing Management Association of the Department of Marketing Management, FMSC.



Nenasarin Senehasin 2021



The Nenasara team, after identifying difficulties that students face in e-learning due to limited or no equipment and no internet connections along with financial constraints, implemented the second phase of 'Nenasarin Senehasin' by donating 12 tablets and 76 stationery packs to the students of Sri Rathanapala Vidyalaya, Atawakwela, Balangoda on 27th June 2021. The team also launched a three-week public awareness campaign to collect generous donations from the general public.

Debate Competition 'Arthika Vidya Tharka Sangrahasya'

'Arthika Vidya Tharka Sangrahasya,' a debate competition, was successfully organised by the Marketing Management Association of the Department of Marketing Management, FMSC as a part of the 'Nenasara CSR' project. This aimed to improve knowledge and provide a practical understanding of the International Trade chapter of the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Economics course. The event included four debating rounds and a webinar series to share knowledge, increase motivation and to enhance presentation skills. The competition was implemented between 1st June 2021 and 2nd July 2021. Undergraduates evaluated the first, second and the third rounds while the final round was evaluated by a panel of lecturers including Dr. Kumuduni Sriyalatha (Senior Lecturer, Department of Business Economics, FMSC), Dr. Janaka Fernando (Senior Lecturer, Department of Business Economics, FMSC) and Dr. Sandamali Galdolage (Senior Lecturer, Department of Marketing Management, FMSC).

STUDENTS NEWS

English Literary Association: FMS

Members of English Literary Association, Faculty of Medical Sciences won awards in several public speaking and debating competitions.

1. GEN-ORATORS Public Speaking Competition 2021, organized by the Rotaract Club of the Faculty of Law, University of Colombo on 27th August 2021.
 - 2nd Runners up - Kaveesha Jayawardane, Hasarah Dasanayake, and Ghajhaneer Vigneswaran (28th batch)
 - Most Popular team - Dinul Doluweera (27th batch), Krishan Dhammearatchi (27th batch), and Minindu Ekanayake (25th batch)
2. Inter-University Debating Championship 2021 organized by the Law Students' Association of the Royal Institute, Colombo from 21st to 22nd August 2021.
 - Second Runner up - Krishan Dhammearatchi and Shangavi Naveratnam (27th batch)
3. Sri Lanka University Debating Championship 2021, organized by the Moot Court and Debating Society of the Faculty of Law, University of Colombo from 26th to 27th July 2021
 - Semi-finalists - Asel Wijesinghe (26th batch), Manuli De Silva (26th batch) Dulanji Beneregama (26th batch), and Kaveesha Jayawardane (28th batch)

Voluntary Services by Allied Health Graduates for COVID-19 PCR Testing



B.Sc. Nursing and B.Sc. MLS graduates who graduated from the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences volunteered in conducting PCR tests for staff members and students of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura at the Family Practice Centre during August 2021 of the COVID-19 outbreak. Ms. Shanika Hansani Kumari Panagoda, Mr. Thilan Dinusha Wimalaweera, Mr. Herath Mudiyansele Lahiru Prabath Madusanka Bandara, Mr. Ranehi Purayalage Sumudu Ashan Thilakarathne, and Ms. Ponsuge Rajika Madushani Sigera were among those who volunteered for this cause.

Virtual seminar series for O/L students



Titled as 'Shilpa Dhara-2021' a seminar series, for O/L students was held via zoom on 4th September, under the project 'Sathkaara' organized by the Career Skills Development Society of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. Thus, the Career Skills Development Society built an effective platform for students to handle their ordinary level examination more confidently.

More than 1500 students participated in these seminars which proved the worthiness of this session. During this session, all resource persons focused on the overall syllabus of the subjects and motivated students to achieve their dream in any situation of difficulty. A special gratitude goes to the main sponsors (Mr. Danushka Lakmal, Mr. Thilina Peris, Mr. Banuka Ekanayake & Sakya Academy) for sponsoring this online seminar series.

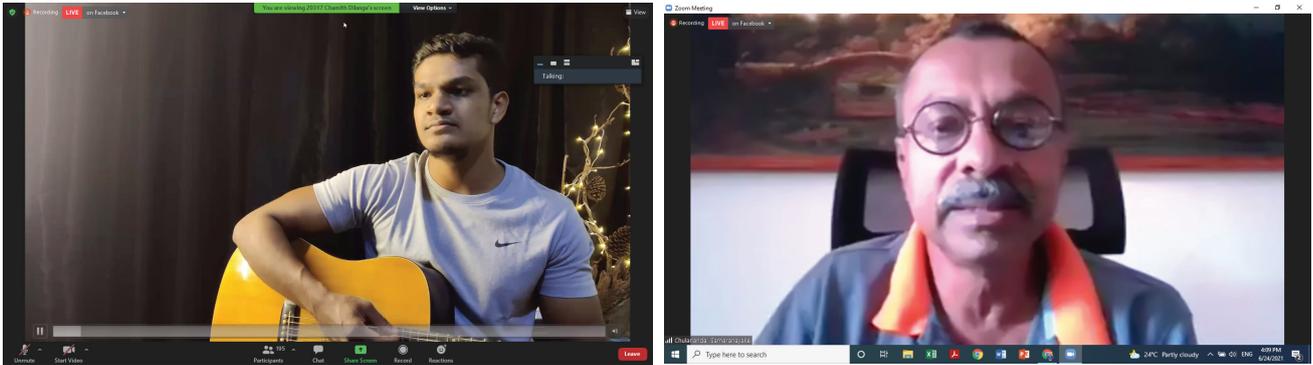
Innovative products with 'Your Choice'



Mr. Sandun Priyankara, a third-year undergraduate of the Department of Accounting, FMSC as well as an entrepreneur, presented his newest innovative product range (Heenbowitiya Flavored Tea, Moringa Flavored Tea and Moringa Supplement) under 'Your Choice' brand to Senior Prof. Sudantha Liyanage (Vice-Chancellor), Prof. P.D. Nimal (Dean, FMSC) and Prof. Harendra Kariyawasam (Head, Department of Accounting) on 10th August 2021.

Meyesi Yathra 2021

The Business Economics Students' Association (BIZCON) of the Department of Business Economics, FMSC successfully concluded an aesthetic session, 'Meyesi Yathra '2021', with the objective of bringing a boost of freshness to the undergraduates who are stuck in their homes during the COVID-19 pandemic situation. Mr. Chulananda Samaranayake, a well-known literary scholar, joined as the resource person for this event. This was held virtually on 24th June 2021 via Zoom.

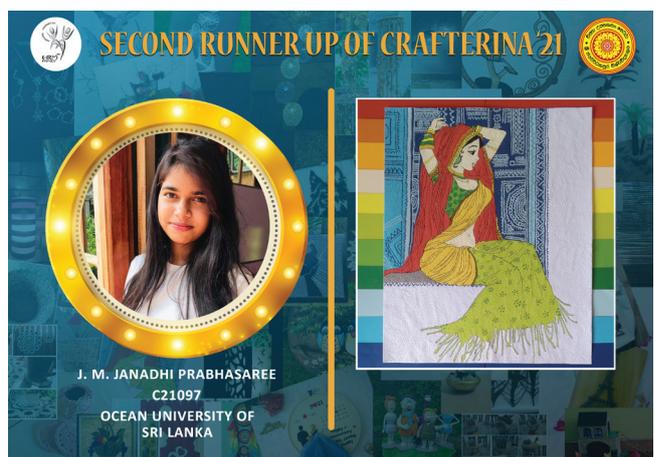


Crafterina'21

Crafterina'21 is the biggest inter-university handcraft competition organised by the Department of Human Resource Management, FMSC, with the purpose of giving value to the time spent leisurely by the university undergraduates during this pandemic situation and providing crafters with great knowledge and insights about handcrafting and commercialising their crafts. The competition was open to undergraduates in all state, semi-state,



and in private universities approved by the University Grants Commission. The contestants presented over 200 masterpieces and the Grand Finale was held on 19th June 2021 via Zoom. The winners were selected by the judge board consisting of Mr. Pramod Lakshitha, Dr. (Mrs.) Dinoka Perera and Dr. Dushar Dayarathna.



Suwa Saviya 2021

'Suwa Saviya' was initiated by the Students' Association of Finance (SAF) of the Department of Finance, FMSC, to help and support cancer patients in the Cancer Ward at the Ratnapura Teaching Hospital. A donation campaign was carried out as the first step, and students were able to raise Rs.179,300.00 within a span of two weeks. The donations were handed over to the hospital on 10th July 2021. The SAF donated a 13 kg fully automatic washing machine, two blood pressure machines, 500 KN95 masks, and essential medicines worth Rs. 60,000 and other necessities from the generous monetary donations. Moreover, 100 food packets were also distributed among the patients in the ward. 'Suwa Saviya' was the second subproject organised under the 'Sadaham Waruna' programme, which intends to celebrate religious Poya days of the year more meaningfully.



Special Dharma Deshana on the Fathers' Day

The special Dharma Deshana Programme "පීඨ පාදං නමාමි", was organised by the Students' Association of Estate Management and Valuation, FMSC on the Fathers' Day on 20th June 2021 via Zoom. Venerable Bolla the Sughandaseela Thero delivered an enlightening discourse on the father's unconditional love and care towards children and conveyed why children should revere their fathers.



Amity 2021



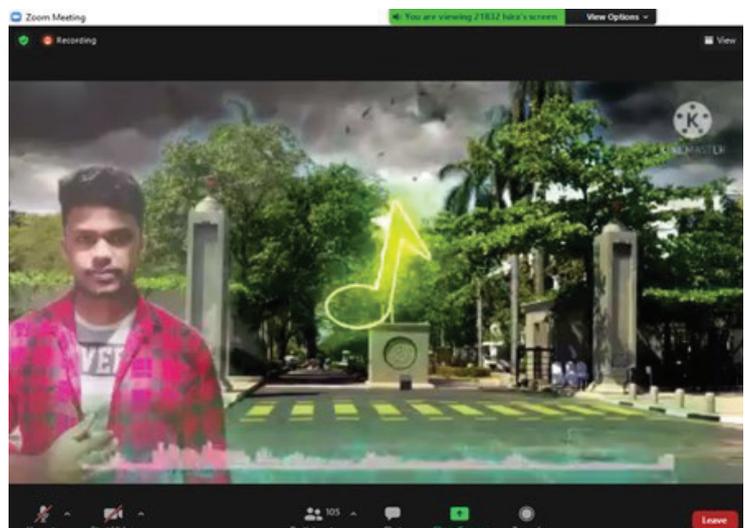
'Amity 2021', a flagship event organised by the Commerce Students' Society (COMSO) of the Department of Commerce, FMSC, was held on 29th June 2021 via Zoom. The panel speakers for the event were Mr. Chamoch Pulinda and Mr. Amesh Pathirana, proud graduates of the Department. The two eminent panelists shared their university life experiences, the value of the degree programme and its importance in the modern corporate world.

Excellent student awards and Hirdaramani Memorial Scholarship

The Department of Commerce, FMSC organised a special Awards Ceremony parallel with the flagship event of Amity on 29th June 2021 via Zoom to acknowledge the achievements of the undergraduates. Reviving the Hirdaramani Memorial Scholarship was the spotlight of the event. This scholarship is awarded in memory of late Mr. Bagawandasa Hirdaramani and late Mr. Nanda Hirdaramani, who were the founding members of the Hirdaramani Group. This scholarship is presented to the student who obtains the highest GPA in the B.Com (Special) Degree (Part I) Examination. Nineteen undergraduates of the Department were also bestowed with the 'Best Student Awards' at this ceremony.

Pehesaraniya (පැහැසරණිය) 2021

The first-year undergraduates of the Department of Estate Management and Valuation, FMSC displayed a diverse range of talents at 'පැහැසරණිය 2021', a talent show which was held on 10th July 2021 via Zoom. The talent-show featured both solo and group songs, live drawings, instrument playing, rubric cube show, dances, and a drama.



Truth for Youth

'Truth for Youth', an online discussion with students on ensuring emotional wellbeing during the pandemic, was organised by the Students' Society of the Department of Commerce, FMSC, in collaboration with the Student Support Center of the FMSC on 27th May 2021 via Zoom. The resource person for the session was Dr. Pushpakumara Kandapola Arachchige (Consultant Psychiatrist at Apeksha Hospital, Maharagama) and this session was moderated by Dr. Dushan Jayawickrama (Director, Student Support Centre, FMSC).

TRUTH for YOUTH

“Train your brain to cope with the pandemic”

Resource Person:
Dr. Pushpakumara Kandapola Arachchige
Consultant Psychiatrist
Apeksha Hospital Maharagama

Moderated by:
Dr. Dushan Chaminda
(Senior Lecturer)
Director of Student Support Center
FMSC – USJP

27th May
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Guest lecture on 'Challenge your limits'

CHALLENGE YOUR LIMITS

DON'T SET LIMITS ON YOUR UNLIMITED POTENTIAL

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The second-year undergraduates of the Department of Commerce, FMSC organised a special guest lecture on the topic 'Challenge your limits' via Zoom on 11th June 2021. The resource person for the event was Mr. Wasantha Dalgannarala, a renowned lyrics writer, and he utilised the session to discuss the importance of managing life activities through his personal experiences while reminiscing about his university life.

INDUSTRY / COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS

Memorandum of Understanding between Faculty of Technology and Tropical Biosphere Research Center, University of the Ryukyus

The Faculty of Technology widened its horizons by signing an MoU with Tropical Biosphere Research Center, University of the Ryukyus, Okinawa, Japan. Tropical Biosphere Research Center (TBRC) is a research institute of the University of the Ryukyus located in the subtropical climate zone.

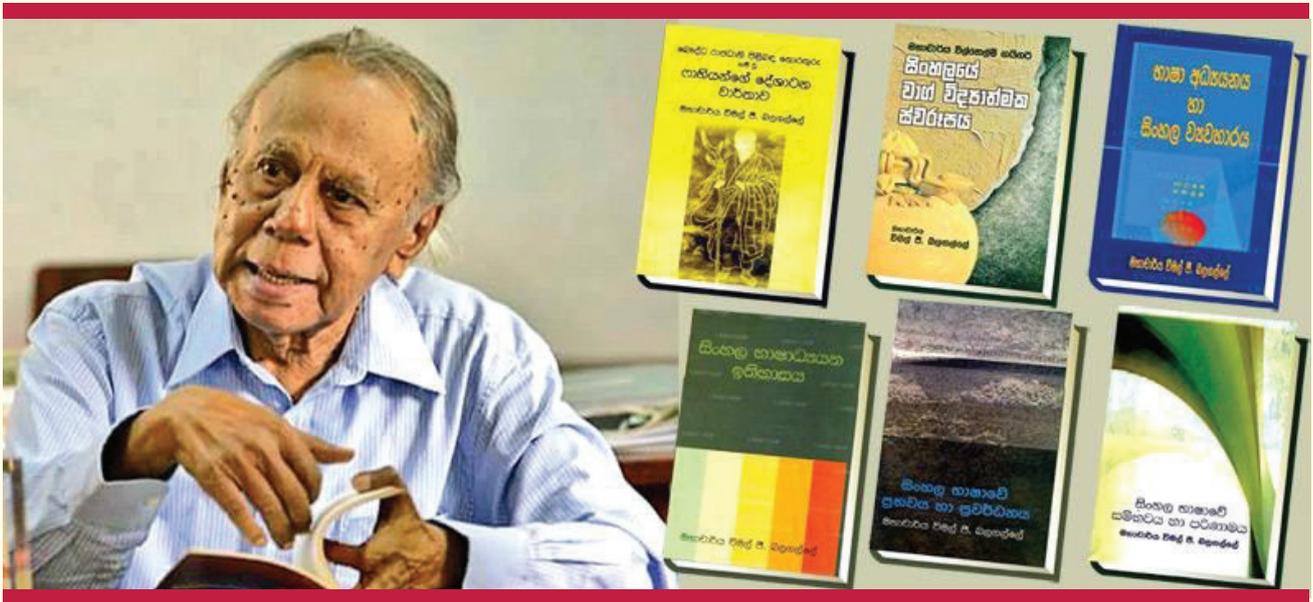
This collaboration which was executed by Dr. N. N. R. N. Nugara came to fruition on the 7th of June 2021. Apart from the development of

Inter-Institutional research collaborations, this MoU supports student and staff exchange programmes.



NEWS FEATURE

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අනුභව්‍ය වසරක් ආශ්‍රිත වින්දනය කොට 2021 ජූලි 16 වන දින සිය ජීවන චාරිකාව නිම කළ විමල් ගුණසේකර බලගල්ලේ පඬිවරයාගේ අභාවය 19 වන සියවසේ ඇරඹුණු ධර්මශාස්ත්‍රීය පුනරුද්දීප්තියෙහි අවසන් ආලෝකප්‍රභවයක් නිව් යෂම සලකුණු කරන්නකි. චතුර මෙරට විසූ අවසාන මහා පඬිවරයා යනුවෙන් හැඳින්වීම අතිශයෝක්තියක් හෝ සම්කාලීන උගතුන්ට කරන අවමානයක් හෝ නො වන්නේ ම ය. බලගල්ලේ නාමය විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයය (අද ශ්‍රී ජයවර්ධනපුර විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයය) යන නාමය සමඟ එකට බැඳුණු නම් දෙකින් එකකි. පළමු නාමය විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයයේ ආදිකර්තෘවර වැලච්චියේ සෝරත නාමය යි. 1959 දී විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ආරම්භ කිරීමට කැප වූ උන් වහන්සේට විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ ප්‍රගතිය දැකිය හැකි වූයේ වසර පහක් පමණ වූ සුළු කාලයක් පමණි. සමාරම්භයේ දී ම විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයයේ අධ්‍යයන හා පරිපාලන කාර්ය සඳහා සම්බන්ධ වූ ගිහි - පැවිදි වියතුන් වැඩි දෙනාට විහි දැකතලයයක හෝ ප්‍රගතිය දැකින්නට අවකාශ නො ලැබුණු බව පෙනේ. දෙසැට වසරක් අඛණ්ඩව විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයය සමඟ සම්බන්ධතාව පවත්වා ගෙන යාමෙහි දුර්ලභ භාග්‍යය ලැබූ එක ම විද්වතා වූයේ බලගල්ලේ මහතා ය. 1959 ජනවාරි මස පළමු වන දින විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයයේ සිංහල පිළිබඳ කටීකාර්ය හා විභාග කටයුතු පිළිබඳ සභාය ලේඛකාධිකාරී ධුරයන්ට පත් වූ චතුරාණෝ 1989 දී විශ්‍රාම ලැබීමෙන් පසු ව මේ වසර වන තෙක් ම ශාස්ත්‍ර (දැන් මානවශාස්ත්‍ර හා සමාජීය විද්‍යා) පීඨයේ බාහිර පීඨ මණ්ඩල සාමාජිකත්වය ඉසුලන. මෙය ලෝක උසස් අධ්‍යාපන ක්ෂේත්‍රයෙහි විශේෂ චාරිකාවක් බව පෙනේ. 1938 දී පදනම දමා 1945-47 කාලයෙහි සිට ක්‍රියාත්මක කෙරුණු නිදහස් අධ්‍යාපන ප්‍රතිපත්තියේ සෘජු ප්‍රතිඵලයක් වසයෙන් 1950 දශකය අවසන් වන විට ජාතික භාෂාවන්ගෙන් උසස් අධ්‍යාපනය ලබා දීම අනිවාර්ය වූ අතර ඒ වන විට පැවති එක ම විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය

වූ ලංකා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ඊට අනුකූලතා නො දැක්වූ බැවින් සිංහල මාධ්‍ය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයක් (මෙන්ම දෙමළ මාධ්‍ය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයක් ද) පිහිටුවීම 'හදිසි අවශ්‍යතාවක්' වූ බැවින් ඒ වන විට කීර්තිමත් අධ්‍යාපන ආයතන දෙකක් වසයෙන් පැවතුණු - විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය හා තුලස වන ප්‍රාචීන අධ්‍යාපනයක් ලබා දෙන ආයතන වසයෙන් සම්භාවනාවට පාත්‍ර ව පැවති - විද්‍යෝදය හා විද්‍යාලංකාර පිරිවෙන් දෙකට විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය තත්ත්වය ලබා දීමට පියවර ගැනිණි. විඛේන විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය පිහිටුවීම හුදු දේශපාලන පොරොන්දුවක් ඉටු කිරීමක් පමණක් නො වන බවත් ශාස්ත්‍රීය සම්ප්‍රදාය අතින් විද්‍යෝදය පිරිවෙන වැලච්චිට සරණාකර සංසාරාප නිමියන්ගේ ශිෂ්‍යානුශිෂ්‍ය පරම්පරාව සමඟ සම්බන්ධ වන බැවින් එහි මූලය දිවයිනේ ප්‍රථම අධ්‍යාපන ආයතනය හා සංස්කෘතික කේන්ද්‍රස්ථානය ද වූ මහා විහාර සම්ප්‍රදාය සමඟ බද්ධ වූ ඓතිහාසික උත්තරාධිකාරයක් (historical heritage) නියෝජනය කරන්නක් සේ සැලකිය හැකි ය.

බලගල්ලේ මහතා සිංහල ශාස්ත්‍ර ලෝකයෙහි ප්‍රසාදයට හා කීර්තියට පත් ව සිටියේ භාෂාඥයකු වසයෙනි. ගෙවුණු වසර එකසිය පණහක පමණ කාලය තුළ භාෂාශාස්ත්‍ර උද්දීප්තියට සිය බුද්ධිමය ශ්‍රමය කැප කළ ජේම්ස් ද අල්විස්, හික්කඩුවේ සුමංගල, රත්මලානේ ධර්මාලෝක, ඩබ්ලිවු. ඇල්. ගුණවර්ධන, රත්මලානේ ධර්මාරාම, ඩී. ඩී. ජයතිලක, කුමාරතුංග මුනිදාස, වැලච්චියේ සෝරත, සෙනරත් පරණවිතාන, කලුකොඳයාවේ පඤ්ඤාසේඛර, ඩී. ඊ. හෙට්ටිආරච්චි, යක්කඩුවේ ප්‍රඥාරාම හා කෝදාගොඩ ඤාණාලෝක යන මහා භාෂාඥ පරම්පරාවේ අවසන් පුරුක බලගල්ලේ මහතා බව අවිවාදාත්මක ය. ඉහත නාමාවලියෙහි හමු වන ඩී. ඊ. හෙට්ටිආරච්චි හැර අනිකුත් විද්වත්හු සාම්ප්‍රදායික පිරිවෙන් අධ්‍යාපනයෙන් පමණක් පෝෂණය ලැබුවෝ වූහ. විධිමත් විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයීය අධ්‍යාපනයක් ලබා

භාෂාඥයකු වසයෙන් කීර්තියට පත් වූ එක ම විද්වතා මහාචාර්ය ඩී. ඊ. හෙට්ටිආරච්චි පමණකි. බලගල්ලේ මහතා භාෂාඥයකු වසයෙන් අත්පත් කර ගත් ශාස්ත්‍රීය විද්‍යාත්මක සාම්ප්‍රදායික පිරිවෙත් අධ්‍යාපනයේත් නූතන විශ්වවිද්‍යාලායීය අධ්‍යාපනයේත් සංකලනයක් වීම විශේෂත්වයක් වෙයි. මේ විද්වතුන්ගෙන් 19 සියවසේ මැද සිට වර්තමාන අවධිය තෙක් පැවති භාෂා සම්ප්‍රදාය කිහිපය නියෝජනය වන බව කිව යුතු ය. සුමංගල, සෝරත, පඤ්ඤාසේඛර යනිවරු විද්‍යෝදය සම්ප්‍රදායටත් ධර්මාලෝක, ධර්මාරාම, ප්‍රඥාරාම යනිවරු විද්‍යාලංකාර සම්ප්‍රදායටත් අයත් වෙති. කුමාරතුංග හා ඤාණාලෝක හිමි හෙළ හවුල් සම්ප්‍රදාය නියෝජනය කරති. අල්විස්, ගුණවර්ධන හා ජයතිලක දිවයිනේ ශාස්ත්‍ර පුනර්ජීවනයේ අවදි දෙකක් නියෝජනය කරන්නෝ ය. පරණවිතාන හා හෙට්ටිආරච්චි සිංහල භාෂාධ්‍යයනයේ නව ධාරාවේ පුරෝගාමියෝ ය. බලගල්ලේ මහතා මේ ධාරා සියල්ලෙහි නිෂේධනීය ලක්ෂණ පිටු දකිමින් සාධනීය ලක්ෂණ හඳුනා ගෙන ඒවා ප්‍රවර්ධනය කළා වූ ද ප්‍රාචීන භාෂාධ්‍යයන සම්ප්‍රදාය හා නූතන වාග්විද්‍යාව සුසංයෝග කරමින් සිංහල භාෂාධ්‍යයනය කුටුප්‍රාප්තියට පත් කළා වූ ද පඬිවරයා ය. පාණිනීය ව්‍යාකරණයෙහි සිට නූතන වාග්විද්‍යාව ඔස්සේ සමකාලීන භාෂා ව්‍යවහාරය තෙක් වන පුළුල් ක්ෂේත්‍රයක හසළ බුද්ධියෙන් ද සිංහල භාෂාවේ නිත්‍යකාලීන හා සමකාලීන ව්‍යවහාර සම්බන්ධ පාච්චයෙන් ද හෙබි චතුරා අතින් සම්පාදනය වූ කෘති කිහිපය විද්වද්විතාවයේ ප්‍රතාපයෙන් යුක්ත වෙයි. කාල දේශ සම්ප්‍රදාය වසයෙන් විකිනෙකින් වෙන් වූ ඥාන සම්භාරයන් පිරුණු ශාස්ත්‍ර සාගරයෙහි තිම්බල මින් ඔහු ය.

ප්‍රාචීන අධ්‍යාපන ක්ෂේත්‍රයේ විශිෂ්ට නිර්මිතයක් වන බලගල්ලේ තරුණ විද්වතා ලංකා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයයන් සිංහල පිළිබඳ ගෞරව උපාධි පාඨමාලාව හදාරා පංක්ති සාමර්ථයක් සහිත ව උත්තීරණය වී ගුරු සේවයට එක් වනුයේ නිදහස් අධ්‍යාපනයෙහි මල්පල හට ගනිමින් තිබුණු සමයයෙහි ය. ඒ වන විට පිරිවෙත් ධාරාව ද ඉක්මවමින් හෙළ හවුල් සිංහල භාෂා සම්ප්‍රදායෙහි අග්‍රස්ථානය හිමි කොට ගෙන තිබිණි. සිංහල භාෂාව රාජ්‍ය භාෂාව යනුවෙන් නම් කිරීමත් සමඟ දිවයින පුරා නව භාෂා සාහිත්‍ය ප්‍රබෝධයක් හට ගෙන තිබිණි. නිදහස් අධ්‍යාපන වැඩ පිළිවෙළ හා රාජ්‍ය භාෂා ප්‍රතිපත්තිය අනුව උසස් අධ්‍යාපනය සිංහල මාධ්‍යයෙන් ලබා දීම අවශ්‍ය වුව ද විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය සතු ස්වාධීකාරය තේතුවෙන් ලංකා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ඒ ජාතික අවශ්‍යතාවට හා රාජ්‍ය ප්‍රතිපත්තියට පිටු පා කටයුතු කළ ද සිංහල මාධ්‍යයෙන් විශිෂ්ට සාහිත්‍යකලා නිර්මාණ බිහි කිරීමට හා ප්‍රවලිත කිරීමට අනුබල දෙන තත්ත්වයක් විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ඇසුරෙහි ම උද්ගත ව තිබිණි. මේ පසුබිමෙහි නිදහස් අධ්‍යාපන වෘත්තයෙහි ජාතික භාෂා මල්පල ගැනීම උද්දීපනයට ඉදිරිපත් වූයේ දේශීය ශාස්ත්‍රායතන වූ පිරිවෙත් ය. ඒ අනුව සිංහල භාෂාව ආරක්ෂා කොට වර්ධනය කිරීමේ අරමුණ පෙරදැරි ව පිරිවෙත් ආශ්‍රිත නව විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ස්ථාපනය කිරීමේ රජයේ වෘසම ජයග්‍රහණය කරා ගෙන යාමට පෙරමුණ ගත් වැලිවිටියේ සෝරත හිමියන්ගේ සහායයට බලගල්ලේ තරුණ විද්වතා ඉදිරියට පැමිණියේ ය. ඒ වන විට චතුරා ගංගොඩවිල රේචන විද්‍යාලයේ ආචාර්ය මණ්ඩලයෙහි සේවයෙහි නිරත ව සිටියේ ය. පිරිවෙත්වලට විශ්වවිද්‍යාල තත්ත්වය ලබා දීම සඳහා මූලික පියවර වසයෙන් පිරිවෙත් සම්ප්‍රදායයට අනුකූල ව්‍යවස්ථා ඇතුළත් කෙටුම් පතක් සම්පාදනය කරන මෙන් විවක අධ්‍යාපන අමාත්‍යවරයා



වූ විජයානන්ද දහනායක මහතා සෝරත හිමියන්ගෙන් හා කීර්තිකුඩුවේ ප්‍රඥාසාර හිමියන්ගෙන් ඉල්ලා තිබිණි. සෝරත හිමියන්ගේ ආරාධනයෙන් විද්‍යෝදය පිරිවෙතේ ඉගැන්වීම් හා පරිපාලන කටයුතුවලට සම්බන්ධ වූ බලගල්ලේ තරුණ විද්වතා පිරිවෙත් විශ්වවිද්‍යාල ස්ථාපනයට අදාළ ව්‍යවස්ථා සම්පාදනය සඳහා කෙටුම්පත් සම්පාදනයට සහාය වීම සෝරත හිමියන්ට මහත් පහසුවක් වූ බව පැවසේ. ඒ අනුව චතුරා විද්‍යෝදය (ශ්‍රී ජයවර්ධනපුර) විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය සමඟ සම්බන්ධතාව ආරම්භ කරනුයේ විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ස්ථාපනය සඳහා පූර්වකෘත සම්පාදන අවධියෙහි සිට බව පැහැදිලි වෙයි.

විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සමාරම්භක ආචාර්යවරයකු හා විභාග කටයුතු පිළිබඳ පළමු සහාය ලේඛකාධිකාරීවරයා ද වූ බලගල්ලේ විද්වතා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ මහාචාර්යවරයෙකු වසයෙන් අධ්‍යාපන හා ශාස්ත්‍රීය වගකීම් ද අධ්‍යයනාංශ ප්‍රධාන හා පීඨාධිපති වසයෙන් පරිපාලන වගකීම් ද උසුලමින් දිවයිනේ උසස් අධ්‍යාපන ක්ෂේත්‍රයේ අභිවර්ධනයට දායක වූයේ ය. විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයක අධ්‍යයන කාර්ය මණ්ඩලයට බඳවා ගනු ලැබීමෙන් පසු ව විවැනි වගකීම් ඉසිලීමට සිදු වන බැවින් විය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලය ආචාර්යවරයකුගේ සාමාන්‍ය කාර්යාලයට අනුකූල ජීවන වර්තාවක් පමණක් සේ කෙනෙකුට පෙනී යනු ඇත. එසේ ද වුව අධ්‍යයනාංශ ප්‍රධානවරයකු වසයෙන් හා මහාචාර්යවරයකු වසයෙන් පළමු කොට අධ්‍යයනාංශයක ප්‍රගතිය සඳහා විශ්ව ප්‍රමිතීන්ට අනුකූල පාඨමාලා නිර්දේශ සම්පාදනය හා මානව සම්පත් ප්‍රවර්ධනය සම්බන්ධයෙන් ගනු ලබන තීරණ අධ්‍යයනාංශයක, පීඨයක, විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයක මතු නො ව සමස්ත ජාතියේ ම ශාස්ත්‍රවන්තභාවය සම්බන්ධයෙන් අතිශය තීරණාත්මක වෙයි. විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහල අධ්‍යයනාංශයට සම්බන්ධ වූ මුල් ම ආචාර්යවරු විද්‍යෝදය පිරිවෙතේ භාෂා ශාස්ත්‍ර සම්බන්ධ සාම්ප්‍රදායික පඬිවරු වූහ. බලගල්ලේ විද්වතා විද්‍යෝදය සිංහලාංශයට සම්බන්ධ වූ සාම්ප්‍රදායික ප්‍රාචීන අධ්‍යාපනයේ හා නූතන විශ්වවිද්‍යාල අධ්‍යාපනයේ සංකලනයෙන් බිහි වූ සුදුරුලහ පඬිවරයකු වූ අතර චතුරාගේ නිර්දේශ හා තෝරා ගැනීම් මත ඊට බඳවා ගැනුණු දෙවන පරපුර ලංකා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ උපාධි ලබා නව ඥාන මාර්ග කෙරෙහි යොමු වූ ද විශ්වවිද්‍යාල රැකියා අවශ්‍යතා මත නො ව ශාස්ත්‍රෝන්තනිය ම තකා පශ්චාද් උපාධි අධ්‍යයනයෙහි ද ග්‍රන්ථකරණයෙහි ද නිරත වූ විද්වතුන්ගෙන් යුක්ත විය. බලගල්ලේ විද්වතාගේ නිර්දේශය මත 1960 ජනවාරි 01 වන දින සිට විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහලාංශයෙහි ආචාර්යවරුන් වසයෙන් එසේ බඳවා ගැනුණු ටී. ඩී. කාංගභආරච්චි, නන්දසේන රත්නපාල, ඒ. ටී. සුරවීර හා විනී විතාරණ යන විද්වතුන්ගේ ශාස්ත්‍රීය සම්ප්‍රදාය

විමසීමෙන් බලගල්ලේ මහතාගේ දුරදුර්භිභාවය ප්‍රත්‍යක්ෂ වෙයි. වත්මනෙහි සිංහල අංශවල ආචාර්ය මණ්ඩලයන්හි සේවයෙහි නිරත වූවන්ගේ භාෂා ව්‍යවහාරය සම්බන්ධයෙන් අසන්නට ලැබෙනුයේ එතරම් ප්‍රිය ජනක ප්‍රවෘත්ති නො වන බැවින් එදා විද්‍යෝදය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහල අධ්‍යයනාංශයට ආචාර්යවරුන් බඳවා ගැනීමේ දී අවධානය යොමු කළ කරුණු සම්බන්ධයෙන් බලගල්ලේ මහතා තැබූ සටහනක් උපුටා දැක්වීම වැඩිදායක වනු ඇත.

“සිංහලය පිළිබඳ සම්භර උපාධිධරයන්ට සම්මත වියරණ නය නොඉක්මවා සිංහලයේ යමක් නිවැරදිව ලිවීමේ හැකියාවක්, නැතහොත් එසේ ලිවීමේ ඕනෑකමක් නැති බවට කලින් කල ඇතැම් උගතුන් කළ චෝදනා අප සිත්හි දනවා තිබුණේ බලවත් සංවේගයකි. අනික් අය කෙසේ වුවත් විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහල අංශයේ ආචාර්යධුරයකට පත් වන්නකුට, ඔහුගේ විශේෂඥතාව සිංහලය පිළිබඳ කවර විෂය ශාඛාවක වුවත් සිංහලයෙන් නිවැරදිව ලිවීමේ හැකියාව මෙන්ම ඕනෑකම ද තිබිය යුතු බව මගේ පිළිගැනීම විය. භාෂාවේ ලිඛිත ව්‍යවහාරයට මෙන් ම කථිත ව්‍යවහාරයට ද ව්‍යාකරණයක් ඇත. මෙදෙක හරි හැටි හඳුනා ගෙන නිවැරදිවත් උචිත ලෙසත් බස යෙදුමට පුරුදු වූවකුට පමණි නිර්මාණ සාහිත්‍යයෙහි වර්ත නිරූපණය වැනි විශේෂිත කාර්ය සඳහා කථිත ව්‍යවහාරය උපයෝග කර ගැනීම හෝ ලිඛිත කථිත ව්‍යවහාර අතර ඇති පරතරය අඩු කිරීම හෝ සාර්ථක ලෙස කළ හැක්කේ” (ඒ. ඩී. සුරේච්චි නිර්මාණ-විචාර විමර්ශන, 1990, 16 පිටුව)

නිවැරදි බස් වහර පිළිබඳ ව එතුමා එදා අවධානය දැක්වූ ආකාරය මෙන් ම සිංහල අධ්‍යයනාංශයට ආචාර්යවරුන් බඳවා ගැනීමෙහි දී නිවැරදි බස් වහර අනුදන්වනු ලබන්නේ රා ගැනීමට උනන්දු වීම ද ආයතනික සංවර්ධනය මෙන් ම විෂය ගෞරවය ආරක්ෂා කර ගැනීම ද සම්බන්ධයෙන් එතුමාගේ අතිප්‍රාය හෙළි කරයි. එදා සිංහලාංශයට ආචාර්යවරුන් බඳවා ගැනීම මෙන් ම පාඨමාලා සැලසුම් කිරීම හා අතිකුත් සංවිධාන කාර්ය ද ඉටු කෙරුණේ බලගල්ලේ තරුණ විද්වතුන්ගේ මූලිකත්වයෙනි. 1950 - 60 වකවානුවෙහි ලංකා විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහලාංශයට හිමි ව තිබූ කීර්තිය 1970-80 දශක ද්වයයෙහි විද්‍යෝදය සිංහලාංශය වෙත යොමු වනුයේ ආයතනික සංවර්ධනය හා මානව සම්පත් ප්‍රවර්ධනය සම්බන්ධයෙන් බලගල්ලේ විද්වතා මුල් වෙමින් ගෙන යනු ලැබූ කාර්යාලයන් හේතුවෙන් බව තොරහසකි.

බලගල්ලේ පඬුවරයා ඉහළ ම ශාස්ත්‍රීය දායකත්වයක් දැක්වූයේ වේනිකාසික වාග්විද්‍යාව, ශබ්දවිචාරය, ශබ්දයෝග විචාරය හා පදකයෝග විචාරය යන ක්ෂේත්‍ර විෂයයෙහි ය. සිංහල භාෂාවේ සම්භවය හා විකාසනය සම්බන්ධයෙන් දනනව වන සියවසේ සිට විසි වන සියවස මධ්‍ය භාගය වන තෙක් දේශීය හා විදේශීය භාෂාඥයන් හා භාෂා ඉතිහාසඥයන් ඉදිරිපත් කළ විවිධ මතවාද තුලනාත්මක ව විමසමින් සිංහලයේ සම්භවයට තුඩු දුන් වේනිකාසික හා භාෂා විෂයීය සාධක විග්‍රහාත්මක ව විමර්ශනය කිරීම එහි එක් අංශයකි. සම්මත ව පැවති සිංහල භාෂා විකාසනයේ යුග අනුපිළිවෙළ අභිලේඛන හා සාහිත්‍ය සාධක අනුසාරයෙන් සංශෝධනය කිරීමත් සිංහල භාෂාවේ නව මුහුණුවර සකස් වීමෙහි ලා ආරම්භයෙහි පටන් විවිධ ස්වරූපයෙන් දෙමළ භාෂාව බල පෑ ආකාරය මෙන් ම සොළොස් වන සියවසෙහි පටන් පුර්තූගීසි, ඕලන්ද හා ඉංගිරීසි භාෂාවල බලපෑම

විමර්ශනයත් එහි ඊ ළඟ පියවර වෙයි. මේ යටතේ එතුමා විසින් සම්පාදිත කෘති ද්වයය සිංහල භාෂාවේ ඉතිහාසය හා විකාසනය සම්බන්ධ පරිසමාප්ත අධ්‍යයනයකි.

සිංහල භාෂාව අළලා ශබ්දවිචාරාත්මක, ශබ්දයෝග විචාරාත්මක හා පදකයෝග විචාරාත්මක අධ්‍යයනයන්හි නිරත වූ මහාචාර්ය බලගල්ලේ සූරිභූ 1976 දී “සිංහලයෙහි අ කාරයේ සංවෘත විවෘත හේදය” නම් ලිපියත් 1983 දී “සිංහලයේ සඤ්ඤක අකුරු” මැයෙන් වන ලිපිය හා 1989 දී “වාග් විද්‍යාවේ ‘පදිම’ සංකල්පය පිළිබඳ විමර්ශනයක් හා සිංහලයේ පදිම පිළිබඳ වර්ගීකරණයක්” මැයෙන් වන ලිපියත් පළ කරමින් සිංහල භාෂා විෂයක වාග්විද්‍යාත්මක අධ්‍යයනයෙහි සන්ධිස්ථානයක් සලකුණු කරති. මේ අධ්‍යයන ත්‍රයයෙහි ම ප්‍රකට ලක්ෂණයක් වන්නේ තත් ක්ෂේත්‍රීය නූතන වාග්විද්‍යාත්මක සිද්ධාන්ත හා න්‍යාය සමඟින් විරන්තන භාරතීය ශබ්දික මත ද තුලනාත්මක ව විමසමින් කරන ලද විමර්ශන යි.

මෙයින්, “සිංහලයෙහි අ කාරයේ සංවෘත විවෘත හේදය” මැයෙන් වන නිබන්ධය වී ශබ්ද ද්වයේ උච්චාරණය සම්බන්ධ සාම්ප්‍රදායික/ ස්වදේශික ආචාර්යවාද මෙන් ම වාග්විද්‍යාවෙහි ප්‍රචලිත ‘ශබ්දිම’ හා ‘උපශබ්ද’ සංකල්ප පළමු වරට සිංහලයෙන් විස්තෘත ව සාකච්ඡා කරමින් තදාශ්‍රිත න්‍යාය මාර්ගයෙන් තත් ශබ්ද සම්බන්ධ විචරණයක් ඉදිරිපත් කරයි. මෙහි ලා තවත් විශේෂත්වයක් වන්නේ සිංහලයේ මූලික ස්වර පිළිබඳ ප්‍රභාවලිලේඛ අධ්‍යයනයක් පදනම් කොට ගනිමින් සාධක දැක්වීම යි. මෙය සිංහලය සම්බන්ධයෙන් සිදු කරන ලද ප්‍රථම ප්‍රභාවලිලේඛ අධ්‍යයනය බව ද සඳහන් කළ යුතු ය. මේ අධ්‍යයනයෙන් සිංහලයේ අකාරයේ සංවෘත හා විවෘත උච්චාරණ උපශබ්ද දෙකක් බව ද සාම්ප්‍රදායික අක්ෂරමාලාවේ එකී ශබ්ද නියෝජක සංකේත නොමැති වීමේ නිරවද්‍යතාව ද තහවුරු කෙරෙන අතර නූතන අවශ්‍යතා සඳහා මේ ශබ්දයන්හි වෛශේෂිකත්වය දැක්වීමට නව සංකේත අක්ෂරමාලාවට එක් කිරීමෙන් වැලකී යායෝග්‍ය පරිදි විශේෂතා දර්ශක සංකේත භාවිතයේ වැදගත්කම ද අවධාරණය කෙරේ.

සිංහලයේ සඤ්ඤක අකුරු සම්බන්ධ අධ්‍යයනය ද සාම්ප්‍රදායික/ දේශීය ආචාර්යවාද තුලනයෙන් අනතුරු ව ශබ්දයෝගවිචාර න්‍යාය හා ප්‍රභාවලිලේඛ ද උපයෝගී කර ගනිමින් සිදු කරන ලද්දකි. මෙහි ලා වේනිකාසික පරිණාමීය සාධක හා තුලනාත්මක සාධක ගෙන හැර දක්වමින් සඤ්ඤක අකුරු සිංහලයේ වෛශේෂික ශබ්ද ගණයක් සේ හැඳින ගන්නා අතර ඒවා නියෝජනය සඳහා වන සංකේත සිංහල අක්ෂරමාලාවට ඇතුළත් කිරීමේ යුක්ති යුක්ත භාවය ද පෙන්වා දෙයි. අද වන විට සම්මත සිංහල අක්ෂර මාලාවට සඤ්ඤක අකුරු ඇතුළත් කොට තිබීමෙන් එතුමන් විසින් යුක්ති සහගත කොට පෙන්වන ලද සඤ්ඤක අක්ෂරයන්හි අනන්‍යතාවට හිසි පිළිගැනීමක් ලැබී තිබේ.

මේ ශාස්ත්‍රීය ලිපි මාර්ගයෙන් විදාරණය කරන ලද නව දැනුමෙහි පදනම වූ වාග්විද්‍යා න්‍යාය හා සිද්ධාන්ත පිළිබඳ ව ඒකභාෂක විද්‍යාර්ථීන්ට මඟ පෙන්වමින් 1995 දී සම්පාදිත භාෂා අධ්‍යයනය හා සිංහල ව්‍යවහාරය කෘතියෙන් වාග්විද්‍යා හා සිංහල භාෂාධ්‍යයන ක්ෂේත්‍රයන්හි න්‍යාය හා මූලධර්ම පිළිබඳ පළමු වරට සිංහල භාෂාවෙන් ප්‍රාමාණික විචරණ ඉදිරිපත් කෙරෙයි. 1975 දී මාර්ටින් වික්‍රමසිංහ: කොග්ගල



මහා ප්‍රාඥයා ලිපි සංහිතාව සඳහා සම්පාදිත "මාර්ටින් වික්‍රමසිංහගේ ව්‍යවහාරිකවේදය හා ඛස පිළිබඳ ඔහුගේ සංකල්ප", ලිපියක් "ලක්දිව ප්‍රචලිත වූ සාහිත්‍ය ශාස්ත්‍රය හා අර්ථ විචාරය පිළිබඳ අදහස්" මැගෙත් 1978 දී සම්පාදිත ලිපිය හා "නූතන අර්ථවිචාරය හා පුරාතන භාරතීය අර්ථවිචාරවාද" මැගෙත් 1985 දී ජී. ඩී. සේනානායක ප්‍රකාශණය සඳහා සම්පාදිත ලිපියක් වාක්සංහිතා අධ්‍යයනය අර්ථවිචාරය හා යන ක්ෂේත්‍ර නියෝජනය කරයි. අර්ථවිචාරය මෙන් ම වාග්විද්‍යාවේ නව ධාරාවක් වන උපයෝගිතා විචාරය ද ලාංකේය බුද්ධි සම්ප්‍රදායට ආගන්තුක ක්ෂේත්‍ර බව පෙනේ. බලගල්ලේ මහතා ජීවිතයේ සැඳෑ සමයට පිවිසෙමින් සිටිය දී සම්පාදනය කළ නාමි සන්නිවේදනය අර්ථවිචාරය හා උපයෝගිතා විචාරය (2014) සිංහල පාඨකයාට එකී ක්ෂේත්‍ර හඳුන්වා දෙමින් සම්පාදනය වූ ප්‍රාමාණික කෘතියක් සේ අගය කළ යුතු ය.

කෝෂග්‍රන්ථකරණය ද බලගල්ලේ විද්වතාගේ අවධානයට ලක් වූ ක්ෂේත්‍රයකි. එතුමා ශ්‍රී ජයවර්ධනපුර විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහල අංශය මඟින් කෝෂග්‍රන්ථකරණය පිළිබඳ පාඨමාලාවක් පැවැත්වීමට සැලසුම් කොට තිබූ නමුත් 1990 දශකයෙහි අධ්‍යයනාංශයෙහි උද්ගත වූ දේශපාලන සුළිකුණාටුවලින් ඒ සැලසුම් ව්‍යර්ථ වී ගියේ ය. 1995 සිට සිංහල ශබ්දකෝෂයෙහි ප්‍රධාන සංස්කාරක ධුරය හොබවමින් ඒ වන විට සමාජික කොට තිබූ සතිරැකිතික සිංහල ශබ්දකෝෂයේ උගනා සපුරා ලීමට හා සිංහල ඉංගිරිසි ශබ්දකෝෂය විධිමත් කිරීමටත් බලගල්ලේ මහතා පියවර රාශියක් ගෙන තිබිණි. කාණ්ඩ දෙකකින් යුතු සංක්ෂිප්ත සිංහල ශබ්දකෝෂය වළ දැක්වීම ද එතුමාගේ පාලන කාලයෙහි සිදු විය. ශ්‍රී ලංකා ජාතික ග්‍රන්ථ සංවර්ධන මණ්ඩලය, ජාතික අධ්‍යාපන ආයතනය, අධ්‍යාපන ප්‍රකාශන දෙපාර්තමේන්තුව යන ජාතික ආයතන මඟින් මෙන් ම නාමි ශාස්ත්‍ර අධ්‍යයන පරිඡදය මඟින් ද සම්පාදිත නාමි උපදේශන ග්‍රන්ථයන්හි ප්‍රධාන සංස්කාරක හා උපදේශක වශයෙන් බලගල්ලේ මහතා දැක්වූයේ මහඟු දායකත්වයකි. ජාතික අධ්‍යාපන කොමිසමේ ආරාධනයෙන් සිංහල නාමි ව්‍යවහාරය සම්බන්ධ ජාතික උපදේශන

ග්‍රන්ථයක් සම්පාදනය සඳහා එතුමා ගත වූ වසර කිහිපයෙහි සක්‍රීය දායකත්වයක් ලබා දුන් බව ද මෙහි ලා වාර්තා කොට තැබිය යුතු වෙයි.

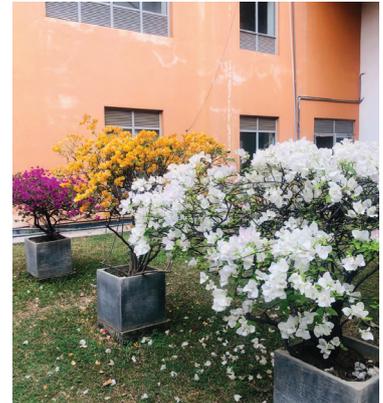
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LANDSCAPING & ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AT USJ

Landscaping and Beautification initiative of USJ

Several landscaping and beautification projects were carried out by the Landscape Management Division of the university.



Multipurpose Building for the FHSS & Service Departments of University of Sri Jayewardenepura

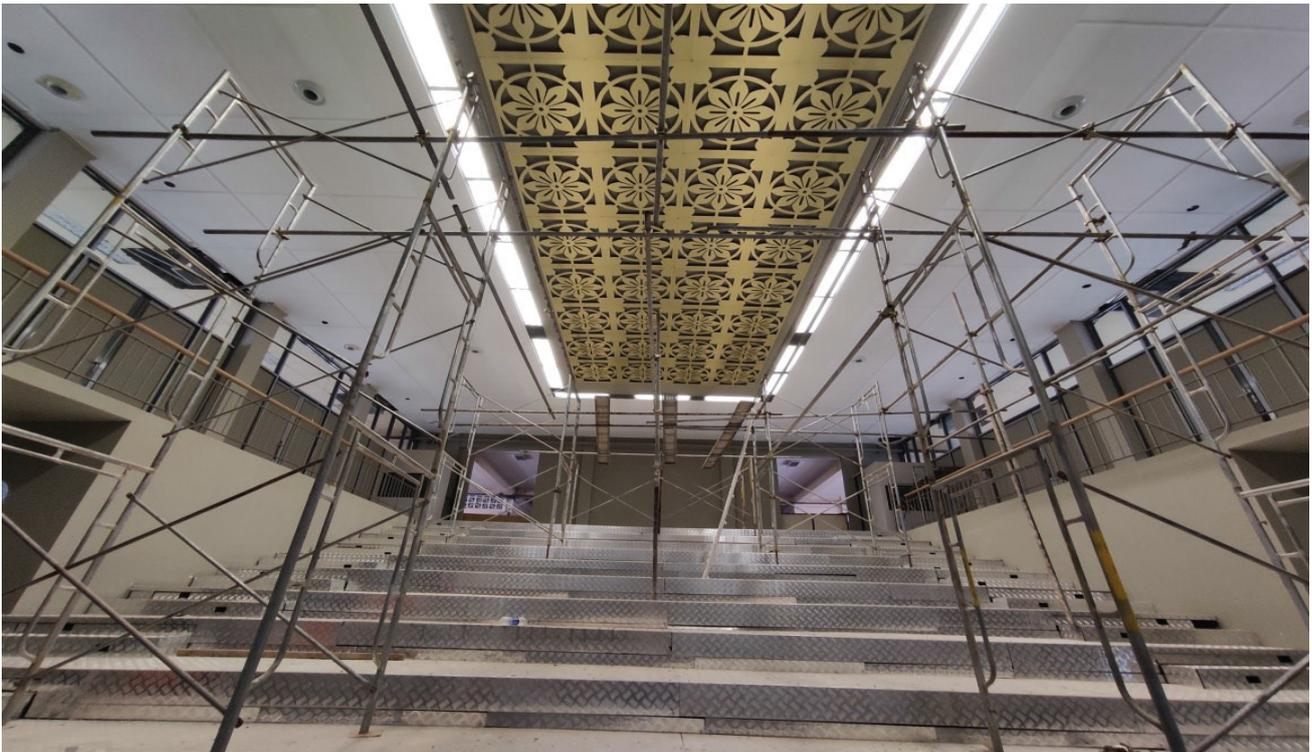


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| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | International Construction Consortium (ICC) |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 15 th January 2023 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 1,183 million |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | under construction |



Renovating Sumangala Reading Hall: Arts and Entrepreneurial Theatre

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| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | Softlogic computers+ AKK Engineers (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 31 st of October 2021 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 40,590,181.00 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | under construction |



Establishment of Smart classrooms in Sumangala and Ghaneshwara Buildings

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|--|---|----------------------------|
| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | Mode Engineering (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | mid November 2021 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 27,486,902.72 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | under construction |



Proposed Rehabilitation of the Existing 5th Floor for the Dept. of Polymer Sciences, Faculty of Applied Sciences

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|--|---|--------------------------------|
| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | Central Suppliers |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 30 th December 2020 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 35,807,200.00 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | under construction |



Renovating the Botany Building for the Biology Unit, Faculty of Applied Sciences

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| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | JSM Construction |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 31 st October 2020 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 28,032,596.02 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | completed |



Constructing a Multipurpose Building Complex for FMSC



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| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - ICC-ECL Joint Venture |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - 15 th March 2023 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - Rs. 1,479,966,833.00 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - under construction |



Proposed extension to Anatomy building, Department of Pathology, Faculty of Medical Sciences

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|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | GDP Engineering (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 2022.08.30 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 156 millions |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | at the initial stages of construction |



Extended Construction at Faculty of Technology in Pitipana, Homagama

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| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | Maga - ECL Joint Venture (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 06 th October 2021 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 55,008,973.00 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | under construction |



Proposed design and construction of buildings and infrastructure facilities for Faculty of Engineering



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|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Name of the contractor/construction company | - | Sanken Construction (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. Expected date of completion | - | 07 th July 2023 |
| 3. Contract Sum (without VAT) | - | Rs. 3,624,962,017.86 |
| 4. Present status of the project | - | at the initial stages of construction |



Infrastructure development for Land, Building & Infrastructure Development Division at USJ

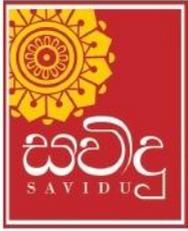
Construction by- Land, Building & Infrastructure Development division, USJ

Expected year of completion - 2023

Contract Sum (without VAT) - Rs. 215 million

Present status of the project - under construction





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