

■ Miss Sunday Observer Shimalka, Derana Miss Sri Lanka 2011 first runner-up

# BEAUTY QUEEN'S VISIT



ANCL Chairman and veteran media personality Bandula Padmakumara presenting the *Miss Sunday Observer* award to Shimalka Bodaragama while Editor-in-Chief of the *Sunday Observer* Dinesh Weerawansa looks on.

It was a memorable moment when beauty queen Shimalka Bodaragama visited the *Sunday Observer* last week and shared her experiences at the Derana Miss Sri Lanka 2011 beauty pageant. The 23-year-old fashion design diploma holder created Miss Sri Lanka history by winning seven mini titles at this year's pageant, including the much looked forward to *Miss Sunday Observer* title, decided through a voting by the readers. She went on to become the first runner up at Derana Miss Sri Lanka 2011 grand finale held at Galadari Hotel last week.

Beside polling a record number of votes to be crowned *Miss Sunday Observer*, Shimalka was adjudged Miss Talent, Miss National Costume, Miss Smoothest Skin, Miss Beautiful Hair, Miss Fresh Face and Miss Beautiful Legs in the mini pageants held as a lead up to the main event.

A product of Sirimavo Bandaranaike Vidyalaya, Colombo, Shimalka has excelled as a top model and entrepreneur

before stealing the limelight at the Derana Miss Sri Lanka 2011 event.

During her visit to Lake House, Shimalka had a look around the *Sunday Observer* editorial. She was presented a cash cheque for Rs. 25,000.00 for winning the *Miss Sunday Observer* title.



Shimalka, the first runner-up at Derana Miss Sri Lanka 2011



Meeting Senior Associate Editor of the *Sunday Observer*, Pramod de Silva

Miss Sunday Observer Shimalka Bodaragama

