



The author of *Prabhakarange Eelam Sihinaya Sunu Visunu Kala Ranaviruvu*, J.F. Ranjith Perera presents a copy of the book to President Mahinda Rajapaksa at Temple Trees recently. Minister for Culture and Aesthetic Affairs T.B. Ekanayake and Minister for State Assets and Enterprise Development Dayasiritha Tissera look on.



Popular ballet artiste Vajira Chithrasena was invited to Parliament recently where she called on Speaker Chamal Rajapaksa. Here Chithrasena in conversation with the Speaker, Water Supply and Drainage Minister Dinesh Gunawardena and Dayasiri Jayasekera MP.



Ven. Vanavasi Rahula Thera, founder of Namal Uyana and Ven. Maharagama Mahinda Thera, chief incumbent, International Buddhist Centre, Wellawatte present the religious memento gifted by President Mahinda Rajapaksa, to Ven. Brohin Thera, chief incumbent, Pathbhavo temple in Vietnam, in recognition of his contribution to Theravada Buddhism.



Minister of Civil Aviation Services, Priyankara Jayarathne, North Western Provincial Councillor Chinthaka Amal Mayadunne and District Secretary of Puttalam M. Kingsley Fernando commission the water supply scheme at Karayagama in the Mahakumbukadawala Divisional Secretary limits in the Anamaduwu electorate.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam Cor.



Minister of Power and Energy Pavithra Wanniarachchi listens to the grievances of representative of Puttalam fishermen's Associations at the District Secretariat, on plan to erect electricity posts across the Puttalam lagoon to connect the Anuradhapura district with the Norochcholai power plant.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam Cor.



L.M.H. Mendis presents the first copy of his fifth book 'Assignment Peace in the Name of the Motherland' (Second Edition) to Commander of the Western Naval Area Rear Admiral Rohan Amarasinghe at the Navy Headquarters recently.

## Appointed head of the Amarapura Siri Saddhammawansa Maha Nikaya

Ven. Ahungalle Siri Seelawisuddhi Nayaka Thera, the chief incumbent of the Gomarankadawala Rangiri Ulpatha Rajamaha Vihara, Trincomalee and its sectors, and the Sri Dharmawijaya Buddhist Centre at Uppuweli, Trincomalee, has been appointed head of the Amarapura Siri Saddhammawansa Maha Nikaya.



The Ven. Nayaka Thera, who was the Anunayake of the same Nikaya, was appointed by equal votes of the Executive Council of the Sudharma Karaka Sangha Sabha of Amarapura Siri Saddhammawansa Maha Nikaya, at the 'Seema Malaka' at Velithara, Mahakappinna to the position of Mahanayaka which was vacant following the passing away of the Most Ven Rajakeeya Pandhitha, Balangoda Siri Saddhammawansa Mahanayaka Thera. He was also appointed Deputy Chairman of Maha Sangha Sabha of the Amarapura Nikaya.



The Welfare Association of David Peiris and Co.Ltd Yakkala presented textbooks and school equipment to the Deaf Association, Gampaha District recently. Here the beneficiaries with the Chairman of the Western Provincial Council, Sunil Wijerathna, Director (Stores) of David Peiris and Co. Ajit Karunaratne, Additional Divisional Secretary, Sunil Jayalath, President Nihal Wijesiri, Secretary, Hiran Roshan Vithanachchi and Sign Language Interpreter, Prassanna Laksiri.



Stationery items and study material for Grade Five Scholarship winners in the Galgamuwa electorate in the Kurunegala district were distributed recently. Two - hundred low-income students were benefited from the program, organised at a cost of Rs. 1 million. Here Indika Bandaranayke, Deputy Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils, the chief guest and organiser of the program presents the study material to a needy student.

Pic: S.M. Wijayarathne, Kurunegala Cor.



The National Savings Bank, Wellampitiya branch presented gifts to its women customers to mark World Women's Day. Here a customer receives her gift parcel from the Manager, P. Paliakkara.

Pic: A. Sumanasena, Kolonnawa Gr. Cor.



International Women's Day organised by the People's Bank, Delgoda branch was held at the branch premises recently. Here Mrs. P. Vinitha, a resident of Delgoda presents the first Vanitha Vasana deposit to the Branch Manager Ajantha Gamaarachchi. Deputy Manager Mrs. G.B.W. Wickramasinghe looks on.

Pic: Malwana Gr. Cor., Mahanama Vithanage.



The anniversary celebrations of the Hokandara South Senior Citizens' Society was held at Sri Susila Dharma Niketanaya recently. Here the chief guest Provincial Councillor, Hector Bethmagne presents a gift parcel to a senior citizen. Kaduwela Municipal Councillor Manoj Bethmagne looks on.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



Samurdhi beneficiaries in the Akkaraipattu Divisional Secretariat Division received payments at the Akkaraipattu Central College auditorium recently. Here the Mayor of Akkaraipattu, A. Ahamed Zackie presents a cheque to a beneficiary. District Secretary Neil de Alwis, Chairman, Akkaraipattu Pradeshiya Sabha M.A. Razeek and M.Y. Saleem, Divisional Secretary, Akkaraipattu were also present.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



A workshop was held at the Youth Centre in Mannar recently under the Divineguma program, organised by the Sri Lanka Institute of Textile and Apparel which functions under the Ministry of Industries and Commerce. Here Textile Technologist Mrs. M.I. Rameeza Banu of the SLITA conducts the workshop.

Pic: A.S.M. Irshad, Colombo Fort TKN Cor.



Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy is building a house for D.G. Gunathilake of Peiriswatta, Ampitiya, Kandy whose house was destroyed due to the recent heavy rains. Here the Principal Indra Withanachchi and the Provincial Secretary of Gangawata Korale Tissa Karunaratna lay the foundation stone.

Pic: Upananda Jayasundera, Kandy Sports Spl. Cor.



A swimming pool was opened at "Tiny Tots" International School, Averiawatta, Wattala recently under the patronage of Director, Rainbow Academy, Sri Lanka, Julian Bolling. Principal, St. Anthony's College, Wattala, Rev. Bro. Viraj Fonseka, CEO of Tiny Tots Anura Amarantunga and the guest of honour, Dr. (Mrs) Thilokasundari Kariyawasam are also in the picture.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Mrs. Canice Dassanayake of Negombo visited the parents of the late Rizana Nafeek of Mutur, recently and donated cash, clothes, dry rations and kitchen equipment. Here Mrs. Dassanayake (Centre) with the couple. Mrs. Alexander Jayawardena and Irangani Wijesingha are also in the picture.

Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.



Clothing items, provisions and cash were given to 125 families who were victims of the recent floods in the Bingiriya electorate, organised by W.E. Jayathilake, former Divisional Secretary of Bingiriya with the help of philanthropists. E.M. Gamini Somasiri, former Councillor of NWP - PC and H.P. Jayathilake, retired Director of Education and Ananda Punyakumara, the former NWP Provincial Councillor also participated.

Pic: S.M. Wijayarathne, Kurunegala Cor.



Asst. Manager, Bank of Ceylon, Akkaraipattu Branch M.A.C. Nather who retired recently was felicitated. Here Nather receives a gift from Akkaraipattu Branch Manager M.I.M. Hanifa. Asst. Manager A.B.A. Gaffoor looks on.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.

## EVENTS

### Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on "The beginning of meditation" delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at the Anula Nursery School Hall, High Level Road, Colombo 6 today at 9.45 a.m.

It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

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Mrs. S. Dayanandini and Miss Raji Nagulesapillai of Colombo were felicitated to mark International Women's Day, at the VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY HALL, Kotahena, Colombo 13 recently, organised by the Navodya Youth Foundation. Here they are with the President, Navodya Foundation, S.K. Krishna, Rev. Sr. Mebal Fernandopulle and the foundation members.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council, K.A. Baiz holds a discussion with three-wheeler drivers in Puttalam at the "White Bureau", the office of the Urban Council.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam Cor.



Central Province Chief Minister Sarath Ekanayake addressing staffers of the Hatton-Dickoya Urban Council, after launching its website.

Pic: G.A. Gunasena, Ginigathena Spl. Cor.



The T.F. Kichilan Foundation, Enderamulla gifted exercise books to 50 students in Enderamulla at the village premises recently. Here the Foundation Chairman, T.F. Kichilan presents a set of books to one of the beneficiaries. Farshana Kichilan was also present.

Pic: Malwana Gr. Cor., Mahanama Vithanage.



Staffers of the Wagawatta Compost Yard of the Horana Pradeshiya Sabha received new uniforms from the Solid Waste Management Authority of the Western Province recently. Here the Chairman, Horana Pradeshiya Sabha, Yamith Chandana and the officers of the Authority with the staffers.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.