



Shastrapathi Ven. Mirisse Dhammawansa Thera, Chief incumbent of Vajiragiri Vihara, Tangalle and Chakkindaramaya, Ratmalana has been appointed Dakshina Lanka Deputy Chief Adhikarana Sanghanayake. The Ven. Thera is the deputy principal of Tangalle Boys' School and a well-known social worker in the area. Here Ven. Thirukunamale Ananda Thera, Maha Nayake of the Sri Dharmarakshitha Maha Nikaya presents the *Akthapatra* to Ven. Dhammawansa Thera. Ven. Watagedara Vimalabuddhi Thera, Anunayake and Ven. Denipitiye Somarathana Thera, Secretary of the Sri Dharmarakshitha Maha Nikaya were also present.
Pic: Nanda Ekanayake, Kotte Central Gr. Cor.



The latest edition of the late Rajakeeya Panditha Dr. William Alwis's *Elavulu Guna* was relaunched recently. Here Dr. Alwis's daughter Ratna Sujatha Gunathilleke presents a copy to Ven. Kiribathgoda Gnananda Thera. The publisher Dayawansa Jayakody, Damayanthi Jayakody and Malie Peiris look on.



The 40th session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) was held in Bangkok, Thailand recently. Here Senior Minister of International Monetary Cooperation and Deputy Minister of Finance, Dr. Sarath Amunugama greets the Chair of the session and Prime Minister of Bhutan, Tshering Tobgay.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs, W.D.J. Seneviratne worshipped at the Thirukoneswaram Temple, Trincomalee recently, while on a tour of the district under the SLP's *Rata Rakina Nilpura Surakimu Mawbima* program.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



A compilation of parliamentary speeches from 1991 to 2001 by Minister of Productivity Promotion, Basheer Segu Dawood was released at the Saraswathi Hall, Colombo recently. Here ITN Director, Hashim Omar receives the first copy from Justice Minister Rauff Hakeem. Minister Segu Dawood and parliamentarian Hassan Ali are also in the picture.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



A delegation of the National Council of YMMAs of Sri Lanka met Palestinian Ambassador Zuhair M.H. Dar Zeid at the Embassy recently, to express concern on the plight of Palestinians. Here Ambassador Zuhair M.H. Dar Zeid (second from right) with Al-Haj M.M. Mohamed, National President, YMMA, M. Nawshad Jainudeen, National General Secretary, Patron Al-Haj S.B.C. Thassim, Project Leader, Al-Haj M.S.M. Rizan and Director of Projects, Al-Haj A.S. Illiyas.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook

EVENTS

Govt Nurses' Group 67 A get-together
A get-together of the Government Nurses' Group 67 A will be held on Tuesday, August 26 at 9 a.m. at the Ranasinghe Homes, Katugoda.
The group's counterparts in Australia, England, USA and the Middle East have extended their patronage to make the event a success. It is coordinated by W.P. Wijayapala 0775101633 and Chandra Gamage 0112281905.

A.H.G. Ameen's book launch on Aug. 30
Attorney-at-Law Al-Haj A.H.G. Ameen's book 'Concept of Marriage - Logic and Reasons and Al Ameen Law of Report Vol. 2014' will be launched on August 30 at 3.50 p.m. at the Moors Islamic Cultural Home, Wellawatte, Colombo 6.
Former Vice President, International Court of Justice, Justice C.G. Weeramantry will be the chief guest while Judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Saleem Marsoof PC will be the guest of honour. Al Haj Faisz Musthapha PC will preside.
Former Member of Parliament, Attorney-at-Law Al-Haj M.M. Zuhair and Attorney-at-Law K.M. Basheer will review the books.

Krishnamurti talk
A recorded public talk on "The ending of sorrow brings love and compassion" 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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The 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Excise Inspector's Union was held at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute recently. Here the chief guest, Minister of International Monetary Cooperation and Deputy Minister of Finance Dr. Sarath Amunugama addresses the gathering.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Akkaipaattu Municipal Commissioner, A.L.M. Azmi, members of the Municipal Council and staff paid a visit to the Kurunegala Municipal Council recently. Here Commissioner, A.L.M. Azmi presents a memento to his Kurunegala counterpart, Ms. G.S.K. Chandralatha.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The Divisional Development Committee meeting was held at the Divisional Secretariat auditorium, Akkaraipattu presided over by the Local Government and Provincial Councils Minister, A.L.M. Athaulah. Here the Minister addresses the gathering. Eastern Province Road Development Minister, M.S. Udumalebbe and departmental heads were present.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



A religious service was held to mark the 68th Independent Day of India at the Navagamuwa Pathini Devalaya, Kaduwela recently, organised by the Savumia Youth foundation and the Indo-Sri Lank Fishermen's Welfare Forum. Here the chief advisor of the Forum, Mahesh Gupta and Chairman of the Foundation, S.P. Anthonymuthu at the service.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The Zahira College Group of 2003 launched vehicle badges at the College premises recently. Here the Past President of the Group, Dr. Alithaf Yakob presents the first badge to principal Trizvi Marikkar. Secretary M.U.M. Irfan and Editor Infaz Salahudeen are also in the picture.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



The *Pal Kudam Bawani* (Holy Milk Pots procession) of Sri Bathrakali Amman Kovil, Navakelanipura, Wellampitiya was held recently. Here a young devotee performs a *Angaprethistai* to fulfil a vow.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The water project at Moronthuwa in Kalapugama, launched at a cost of Rs. 10 lakhs, from funds of the decentralised budget of Highways, Shipping and Ports Project Minister, Rohitha Abeysunawardana was commissioned by the Minister recently.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingriya Central Gr. Cor.



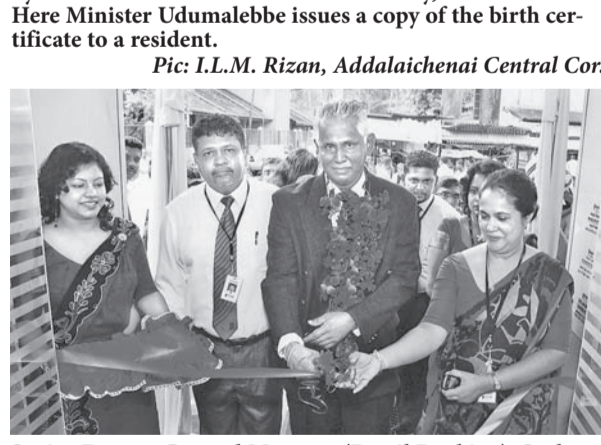
The Economic Development Ministry held a mobile development services program under the theme, *Gamin Gamata Gein Geyata* at the Addalaichenai Divisional Secretariat with the participation of Eastern Province Road Development Minister, M.S. Udumalebbe recently, presided over by the Addalaichenai Divisional Secretary, I.M. Haniff. Here Minister Udumalebbe issues a copy of the birth certificate to a resident.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



An environment pioneer program for teachers in the Sainthamaruthu Educational Division was organised by the Kalmunai Zonal Education office at Sainthamaruthu Al-Hilal Vidyalaya recently. Here, Environment Commissioner, M.T. Nowfel Ali speaks to the participants.
Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



People's Bank, Senkadagala branch celebrated its 53th anniversary recently. Here a retired staff officer of the branch, A.A.M. Nagoorapichai lights the oil lamp. Branch Manager, Wasantha Wijesiri looks on.
Pic: H.A. Shakoor, Pathadumbara Spl. Cor.



Senior Deputy General Manager (Retail Banking), Seylan Bank, Tissa Nanayakkara opens the Seylan Bank Branch, Wadduwa which moved to its new premises recently. Branch Manageress, Shashi Weeraman is also in the picture.
Pic: Susil Ratnawera, Panadura North Gr. Cor.



A *Gammadu* festival organised by the Ekamuthu Welfare Society, Elsmore, Ingriya was held recently. Kalutara district parliamentarian Vidura Wickramanayaka, Chairman of the Horana Pradeshiya Sabha, Yamith Chandana Hathurusingha and Opposition Leader of the Sabha, Ranjith Dabare were also present.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingriya Central Gr. Cor.



An e-health program was launched by WPC Health Minister Ranjith Somawansa at the Panadura Base Hospital recently. Former Provincial Minister Jagath Angage, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Piyal Samaraweera and Provincial Health Secretary, M.C.L. Rodrigo are also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The new building of Rifayiya Boys' Arabic College was opened recently. Here His Holiness Rifai Moulana Up Seyyed Mohammed Ashique Thangal unveils the plaque.
Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



SESDO Sri Lanka organised a ceremony to honour Samanthurai Zonal Director of Education, M.S. Sauthul Najeeem at Al Hamra Maha Vidyalaya, Maruthamunai recently. Here Najeeem is being sashed with a golden shawl by Batticaloa District Judge, T.L.A. Manaff. SESDO Sri Lanka Secretaries, A.J.L. Wazeel and A.R. Thahlan are also in the picture.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



A meeting to discuss the proposed development activities in the Karathivu village in the Vanathavillu DS Division was held recently. Here Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council and Chief SLP Organiser for Puttalam, K.A. Baiz listens to some shortcoming from a resident.
Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



A lecturer of the South Eastern University and Organisation Secretary, SESDO Sri Lanka A.J.L. Wazeel of Maruthamunai launched an educational book titled *Kalvisaar Pirachinaigal* at the Al Hamra Maha Vidyalaya library Hall, Maruthamunai recently. Here the chief guest, Batticaloa District Judge, T.L.A. Manaff receives the first copy from the author. SESDO Sri Lanka President, Naafi M. Musni and former Eastern Province High Court Judge, M.S.M. Jemeel were also present.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.