



The annual convention of the All Ceylon Muslim League Youth Front was held at the Hector Kobbekaduwa Research Training Centre, Colombo recently. Here the chief guest, Prime Minister D.M. Jayaratne presents a copy of the *League* to the President of the Youth Front, Abdul Kaiyoom. The guest of honour, Razeed M. Imtiaz and parliamentary Sajith Premadasa are also in this picture.

Pic: Ashraff A. Samad, Dehiwela-Mt. Lavinia Spl. Cor.



The *Samasiri Jana Sammana* Award-2014 ceremony of the All Community Friendship Federation was held in Galle recently. Here the chief guest, Deputy Speaker of Parliament, Chandima Weerakkody felicitates an officer of the North Central Province Education Ministry, K.M. Nisamdeen by presenting him with a memento.

Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs in collaboration with the Borella Ahadiyyah School organised the Islamic New Year (*Muharram*) celebrations at Al Hijra Maha Vidyalaya, Colombo recently. Here Senior Minister A.H.M. Fowzie, former Speaker, M.H. Mohamed, Deputy Minister of Investment and Promotion, Faizer Mustapha, former Deputy Director Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs Rafeek Ismail and Principal, Al Hijra Maha Vidyalaya, Mrs. T. Jaward were also present.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



The *Bindunu Putuwata Theta Saviya* project initiated by WPC Industries Minister Udaya Gammanpila was held at the Janadhipathi Balika Vidyalaya, Nawala recently. Here the chief guest, Minister of Environment and Secretary, UPFA, Susil Premajayantha and Western Province Minister and JHU Deputy Secretary Udaya Gammanpila in a discussion.

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A Divineguma Stage Six program was held at the Beruwala Divisional Secretariat, under the patronage of Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development and Beruwala SLFP organiser, Dr. Rajitha Senaratne recently. Here the Minister presents a plant sapling to a woman. Divisional Secretary, J. Chandragupta and Pradeshia Sabha Chairman, Kasman de Silva are also in the picture.

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One hundred and fifty new Grama Niladhari were appointed to the Ratnapura district at a function at the District Secretariat auditorium recently. Here Public Administration and Home Affairs Minister and MP for Ratnapura district, W.D.J. Seneviratne presents an appointment letter to a woman officer. Ratnapura district parliamentarian Janaka Wakkumbura and District Secretary, Sunil Kannangara are also in the picture.

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Minister of Housing, Construction and Common Amenities, Wimal Weerawansa launched a housing scheme for state sector employees at Peritakulam, Trincomalee recently, where 81 employees benefited. Here Minister Weerawansa presents the title deed to a beneficiary. Chief Minister, Eastern Province, Wajeeb A. Majeed is also in the picture.



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W.D.K. Gunawardane's Sinhala novel *Bhavani* was launched recently, at the Dayawansa Jayakody Bookshop, Colombo 10. Here the publisher Dayawansa Jayakody presents a copy of the book to the author, G.B. Wijesinghe. Bertie Wijesinghe, K.L.F. Wijedasa, S.G. Dharmasena, Lakshman Edirisuriya, C. Karunanayake and Nalaka Gunawardane look on.



North Western Provincial Council Minister Sanath Nishantha Perera provided loans to those interested in flower-plant growing. Here a beneficiary receives her loan at a ceremony at the Nugasewana auditorium, Pambala.

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



Western Provincial Councillor A.J.M. Faiz visited Zahira Vidyalaya, Hunupitiya, Wattala recently. Here the Councillor inspects the construction work on the new classrooms. Principal M.M.M. Kaleel and M. Fouzdeen are also in the picture.

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Women owners of tourists hotels in the Eastern province were felicitated by the Eastern Province Tourism Minister, Haafis Naseer Ahmed recently, organised by the Chamber of Tourism and Industry, Sri Lanka at the Pacific Hotel, Arugam Bay. Here Provincial Minister, Naseer Ahmed presents a memento to a woman owner. Chamber of Tourism and Industry Chairman, A.M. Jawfer looks on.

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



A health camp organised by the Social Services Ministry and the Muthita Sports Club, Kerawalapitiya, Wattala was held at St. Joseph's Church premises, Kerawalapitiya recently. Here former Deputy Minister Neil Rupasinghe puts on a pair of spectacles on a beneficiary. Former WPC Janaka Sooriyabandara, Secretary, Muthita Sports Club, Sarath Nishantha and club members look on.

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



A Hindu religious magazine *Vipulavani* published by the Sri Sivasakthi Vinayagar Kovil, Dematagoda, Colombo was released under the patronage of Deputy Telecommunication, Information and Technology Minister Praba Ganesan recently. Here the chief guest presents a copy to retired principal, S.P. Paulraj. The chief priest, Sivashri K. Balachandra Sarma and Saiva Pulavar S. Selladurai look on.

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Digamadulla district parliamentarian, H.M.M. Harees visited Zahira College, Kalmunai recently, along with Kalmunai Zonal Director of Education, M.S.A. Jaleel. Here Harees displays the ground plan of the administrative block to be built shortly.

Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.

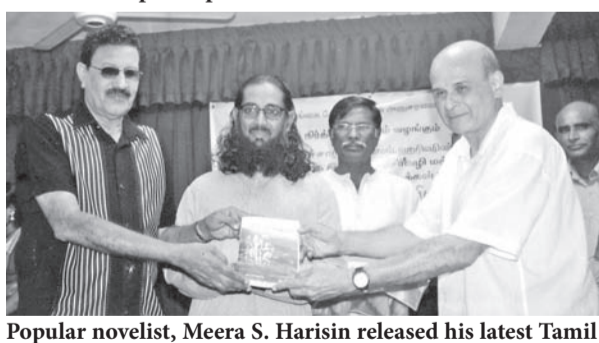


The *Prathiba Pranama* award ceremony to felicitate veteran Sinhala, English and Tamil writers for their valuable contributions was held recently, organised by the Colombo District Secretariat and the Colombo District Writers' Organisation. Here Secretary, Culture and Arts Ministry, Wasantha Ekanayake presents an award to popular Sinhala writer Cyril C. Perera, while the members look on.

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The age-old custom of the annual Christmas cake-mixing was held at the Grand Oriental Hotel recently. Here the General Manager, Dulip de Alwis with Executive Chef, Gamini Thambugala, departmental heads and the pastry kitchen staff participate in the event.



Popular novelist, Meera S. Harisin released his latest Tamil book *Elangai Vamsavali Makkalin Parampariya Kootukkal* at the Colombo Tamil Sangam, Wellawatte recently, organised by the Nirthiya Kalalayam and the Ceylon Indian Origin People's organisation. Here the chief guest, well-known social worker Kawsick Udhesi presents the first copy to ITN Director Hasim Omar while the author (centre) looks on.

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## EVENTS

### Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on, "What is the relationship between desire, thought and action?" 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 M.H.M. Ashraff Road at Palavi Malihaapuram in Puttalam will be rehabilitated with concrete, with fund allocations from North Western Provincial Councillor, S.H.M. Niyas. Here work in progress.

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Pyramid Wilmar Company organised a seminar for bakery owners in the Ampara district at the Thompukkandam Resort, Ninthavur recently. Here Asst. General Manager, Priyanda Kolanke, Regional Business Manager, Nalin Amarasinghe, Ampara district distributor, M.H.M. Haniff discuss ways and means to provide quality bakery food items to consumers.

Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The Colombo Tamil Artistes' Forum felicitated the newly appointed Deputy Minister, Praba Ganesan at the Colombo Inkarani Hall recently. Sri Lanka's former Ambassador to Mauritius, T. Eswaran, Minister of Production Development, Basheer Segu Dawood, Abdul Kaiyoom and Kowsalya Devi are also in the picture.

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The sixth annual Eleven-a-Side soccer tournament conducted by the Sri Lanka Soccer Masters' Association was held at St. Benedict's College Grounds, Kotahena recently. Here the champs, Old Bens team who beat Maligawatta Veterans, with their coach and officials.

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A rural welfare services and a mobile service program, organised by the Economic Development Officer of the Divisional Secretariat, Bulathsinghala, H.D.H. Aruna Kumara, under the supervision of Divisional Secretary, Irangani Weerasingha was held at the Sri Sudarshanarama temple, Halwathura recently. Here officers attend to a problem at the NIC mobile service.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The Maruthamunai Branch of the People's Bank opened its state-of-the-art office at Main Street, Maruthamunai recently. Here Ampara Regional Manager, E. Somachandra opens the branch with Deputy General Manager, M.B.A. Silva, Assistant Regional Manager, Kapila Dissanayaka, A. Samudeen and the Branch Manager, U.L.M. Haniff look on.

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