

Newsletter

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Faculty Events

Release of the 3rd Newsletter of the Faculty of Business Studies



The bi-annual newsletter 2021 volume:02 issue:01 was launched at the Faculty of Business Studies board room on 28.07.2021 by 11.00 am with the presence of Newsletter committee

members and Faculty Board members. The copies of the newsletter were received by the Vice- Chancellor, Dean, Heads, and the external members of the Faculty Board from Ms. P. Sarmatha, Chairperson, Newsletter Committee. The newsletter carries Faculty events, Student' events, Community Enrichment Activities and Staff News in a nutshell with an eye-catching view.

Meeting with the Institute of Certified Management Accountants (CMA)

A hybrid meeting was conducted by the Department of Finance and Accountancy in collaboration with the CMA officials regarding signing the MOU on 20th August 2021. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan / Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies chaired the meeting with the presence of Dr. (Mrs.) K. Kalainathan / Head of the Department of Finance and Accountancy (DFA), Staff of the DFA, and the officials from the Institute of Certified Management Accountants - Ms. Jinandi Chandraratne / Director, Education and Ms. Kaushalya Hapuarachchi / Senior Manager, Education, Training & Research. At the outset, Dean / FBS welcomed the gathering and briefed the essence of having a strategic partnership with professional bodies paving the way to have a win-win situation for both. The Dean read the draft MOU among the participants to incorporate their viewpoints. Both the parties, CMA and DFA, came to a consensus on the clauses laid down in the draft MOU and decided to forward for the approval of their respective governing bodies.

A Webinar on "What Lead to Success and Develop Your Creativity"



The Career Guidance Cell of the Faculty of Business Studies organized a webinar on "What Leads to Success and Develop Your Creativity" on 08th and 09th of October, 2021. Mr. A. Liston Rajanikanth and Mrs. K. Sivappriya from the Department of Manpower and Employment have conducted

this webinar in Tamil medium. They gave valuable ideas to our students to pave their way towards success. Both made the session enjoyable by explaining the areas with real-life examples in the Sri Lankan context. Almost 60 students participated in this webinar.

Stakeholder Meeting for Revising the Curriculum for BBM Honours in Marketing Management

The Department of Marketing Management of the Faculty of Business Studies organized a stakeholder meeting for revising the curriculum for BBM Honours in Marketing Management on 19th of September 2021 via Zoom. Prof. Dr. P.A.P. Samantha Kumara (University of Ruhuna), Dr. Y.M.W.G.P.K. Udurawana (Rajarata University of Sri Lanka) and Dr. S. Shanmugathas (University of Jaffna) participated as experts, and Mr. S. A. Jude Leon, Ms. S. Kajanthy and Miss. H.G.C.K. Ranathunga participated as internal members. Experts suggested a few new subjects and also requested to merge some of the existing subjects. After having an interactive discussion, the specialization subjects were finalized for each semester. This meeting was very fruitful to construct a meaningful revised curriculum for BBM Honours in Marketing Management.

Institute of Project Management Studies

The faculty had planned to establish the Institute of Project Management Studies (IPMS) to advance project management education and research to produce required human resources at the different levels to perform well in the projects operated in Sri Lanka. This Institute will also contribute to solving the problems emanated in the context of projects. The Institute provides a focal point for education and research in project management, addressing current and emerging project management issues nationally and internationally in Sri Lanka. The Proposal and Ordinance to establish the Institute of Project Management Studies (IPMS) was already approved by the Council at its first meeting held on 25th September 2021. The Institute of Project Management Studies (IPMS) would be established after the declaration by Gazette notification.

Faculty Name Board Opening Ceremony

The Name Board of the Faculty of Business Studies was opened ceremonially by Dr. Y. Nanthagopan, Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies, on 15th of October 2021. The name board is donated by the students' union (Batch 2015/2016) through collected funds from the Faculty of Business Studies students and staff. This is the role modelling activity of the students contributing to the faculty development. The heads of departments, staff, and faculty students had participated in this event.



A Webinar on “Career Development”



A webinar on “Career Development” was organized by the Career Guidance Cell of the Faculty of Business Studies on 09th of October, 2021. Mr. R. Migunuwala from the Department of Manpower and Employment participated as the resource person in this webinar, and it was conducted in Sinhalamedium. He pointed out essential tips to develop his/her

career and explained them with real-world examples. Since he is the Career Guidance Officer, he shared his own experiences encountered. Almost 40 students participated in this session.

Publication of Journal of Business Management Volume 4, Issue 1

The Faculty of Business Studies published Volume 4, Issue 01 of its Journal of Business Management (JBM) in September, 2021. This issue consisted of 09 original full papers in the disciplines of Business Management. All papers published in this journal are accessible in online. JBM is published twice a year.



Saraswathy Pooja

Saraswathy Pooja, the last day of the navarathri festival, was celebrated in the faculty on 15.10.2021. The staff and the students of the faculty participated in this programme. This navarathri festival has been celebrated to worship Goddess Durga (Goddess of courageousness), Luxmi (Goddess of Wealth and Prosperity) and Saraswathy (Goddess of Wisdom) over the past by the staff and students enthusiastically. The last day of the navarathri festival is known as Saraswathy Pooja or ‘Vithyarampam’ (inauguration of education). Goddess Saraswati Devi has the power of the Knowledge who radiates wisdom and the beauty of nature. Therefore, it has been celebrated devotedly in the educational institutions.



Workshop on Strategic Planning

The Faculty of Business Studies conducted its strategic planning workshop on the 28th of December 2021 with a view to revise its strategic goals and strategies and to map out the next five year strategic plan (2022 – 2026) towards its vision and mission.



The strategic planning workshop, chaired and facilitated by Dr. Y. Nanthagopan, Dean, Faculty of Business Studies, was a significant event in the last week of the year 2021 with the participation of the Faculty academics, representatives from alumni and business communities, industry experts,



Deputy Registrars, Registrar and Bursar of the University of Vavuniya. Mr. Saman Jayasinghe, Operations Manager of Vavuniya Apparels of Omagaline and Mr. Ansaf Ahamed, Service Assurance Executive of M/S John Keels Holdings shared their employer and students perspectives of present and future qualities of employment. All participants worked as thematic groups to accomplish the tasks required by the workshop and presented their findings and justifications.



Balakrishnan Memorial Event

In commemoration of late Dr. N. Balakrishnan, a memorial lecture on “Recent Trends in Sri Lankan Economy: Constraints and Challenges” by Prof. Wasantha Athukorala, University of Peradeniya was organized by the Department of Business Economics, Faculty of Business Studies on 29th December 2021. Around 40 participants were present at the programme physically and via zoom including the Vice Chancellor/University of Vavuniya, Dean/ Faculty of Business Studies, Dean/ Faculty of Applied Science and the heads of the departments of the Faculty of Business Studies. The event began with lighting the oil lamp by the respected invitees. The Vice Chancellor garlanded the photo of late Dr. N. Balakrishnan to honour him. Then, the memorial oration was launched by the Vice Chancellor. The day of memorial lecture successfully ended with the vote of thanks.



Media Briefing of the Research Conference on Business Studies (RCBS)- 2022

The media brief for the 4th Research Conference on Business Studies - 2022 (RCBS) was held on 21st of December, 2021 at the Faculty of Business Studies at 11.00 am with the presence of Dr. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor of the University of Vavuniya, Dr. Y. Nanthagopan, Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies, Mr. S. A. Jude Leon, Convener of the conference, Heads of the Departments, Senior academics, committee members of the conference and the Assistant Registrar of the Faculty of Business Studies. Dan and Sakthi Televisions were invited as the media partners to cover the brief of this conference. The Vice-chancellor commenced the event with the brief about the conference, including the theme, important dates, tracks, keynote speakers and exclusive partners of the conference. He continued with the purpose and expectations of conducting this conference and the social impact of this conference outcome. It was followed by the Dean of the Faculty of Business studies and he spoke about the contribution of the conference to the research community and society. He added further that the best papers will be given a chance to be published in the Journal of Business Management (JBM) which is published bi-annually by the Faculty of Business Studies.



Stakeholder Meeting with the Institute of Certified Management Accountants (CMA) on signing the MOU

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Stakeholder Meeting with Project Management Institute - Sri Lankan Chapter on signing the MOU

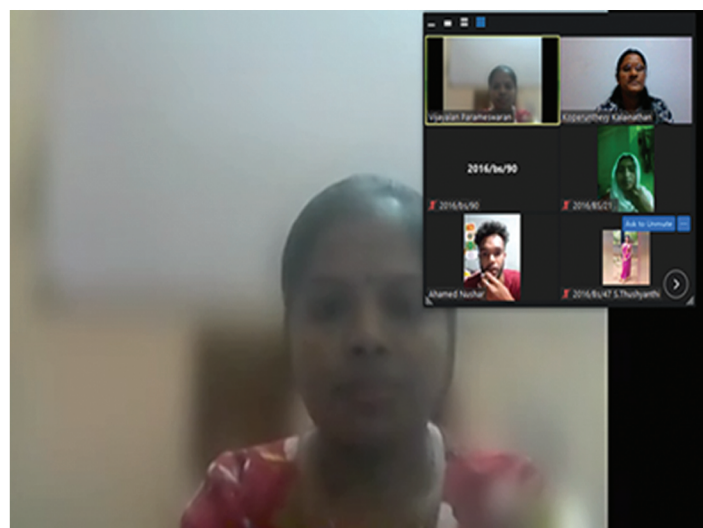
The Department of Project Management (DPM) convened its 3rd meeting with the Sri Lankan Chapter of Project Management Institute (PMISLC) on the 20th of August 2021 to discuss the draft Memorandum of Understanding prepared and submitted by the DPM to the PMISLC in the week. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan, Ms. S. Mathivathany and Mr. S. Thirugnanasampanthar represented the DPM, meanwhile, Mr. Dushyantha (President of the PMISLC), Mr. Dhammike Mendis (Executive Vice-President of PMISLC), Mr. Aruna Kooragamage (Founder, Former President, & Certified Trainer) Mr. Shanthilal Fernando (Vice-President Finance), and Mr. Saman Kandaneerachchi (VicePresident Outreach) took part in the virtual meeting for PMISLC. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan presided the meeting and welcomed the participants. Following the selfintroductions, Dr. Y. Nanthagopan described the purpose of such MoUs between the Faculty of Business Studies and Educational organizations that offer professional courses and the contents and clauses of the proposed draft MOU. In response, the PMISLC members generally informed their willingness and interest in the collaboration through an MoU and addressed what the PMISLC could deliver. Mr. Aruna Kooragamage briefed the inception of PMISLC since 2005 and elaborated that the PMI offer certificate and professional courses such as Certified Associate of Project Management (CIPM) and Project management Professional (PMP) and as a not-for-profit organization, the PMI is promoting PM standards, providing accreditations and funding for researches. Mr. Dhammike Mendis described the processes to sign an MoU and the PMISLC would review the draft MoU presented by the FBS and would send it to the FBS for its comments. He added that the reviewed MoU would be sent to the PMI's regional office in India for its comments. All of the PMISLC participants are enthusiastic in arriving a consensus for the MOU and working together for the betterment of the students and the country.

Stakeholder Meeting of the Curriculum Development Committee for BBM Honors in Tourism and Hospitality Management



The meeting of the Curriculum Development Committee for BBM Honors in Tourism and Hospitality Management was held on 21st of July, 2021 via Zoom. Mr. S. A. Jude Leon, the chairperson of the Curriculum Development Committee welcomed all the members presented and briefly explained the Honors Degree programme structure and the subjects in the list. Then he invited the Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies Dr. Y. Nanthagopan to deliver his initial talk. The Dean suggested that the curriculum should include hotel management subjects to provide more practical knowledge to our students. Other members also agreed with his idea and decided to include these subjects under hospitality part. The chairperson produced the list of subjects and opened the forum for the discussion to finalize the specialization subjects to the Semesters. After an in-depth discussion made, Dr. DMC Dassanayake suggested the committee to prepare a proper graduate profile to link these selected subjects with the programme outcomes and other members also complied with his idea. Finally, the Chairperson agreed and thanked all the members for their active participation in the discussions.

A seminar on “Contemporary issues in Finance” by the Department of Finance and Accounting



The Department of Finance and Accountancy organized a seminar on “Contemporary issues in Finance” on 27th December 2021. The main objective of the this seminar was to provide knowledge on current issue in finance in Sri Lanka. The fourth year students who follow Accounting and Finance honours and the staff participated in this seminar. Dr. Mrs.K. Kalainathan, Head/ Department of Finance and Accounting coordinated the programme. Mrs.V. Rajani, Central Bank of Sri Lanka served as the resource person in this seminar.

Stakeholder Meeting with the Institute of Bankers of Sri Lanka (IBSL)

A meeting was organized by the Department of Business Economics with the officials of IBSL to discuss signing MOU on 20th August 2021

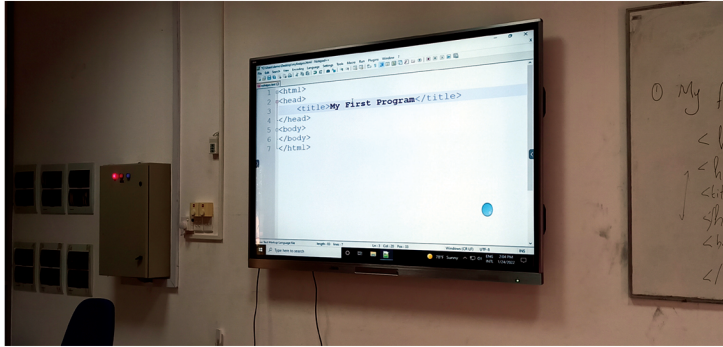


via Zoom. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan/ Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies chaired the meeting with the presence of Mrs. P. Godwin Phillip/ Head, Department of Business Economics, Dr. K. Kalainathan/ Head, Department of Finance and Accountancy, Mr.A.Thayaparan/ Senior Lecturer, DBE, Mr.T. Selvamalai/ Lecturer, DBE and the officials from the IBSL: Mr. C.P.A.Karunatilake/ Director General, IBSL, Mr. Manjula Wickramasinghe/ Deputy Director, Administration and HR of IBSL) and Secretary to Director General of IBSL. The Dean welcomed the gathering and briefed the essence of having an MOU with professional bodies. The highlight of the meeting is that the higher officials of the IBSL agreed to provide gold plated medal for the best student in BBM (Hons) in Business Economics. In addition, they voluntarily agreed to sponsor the student club activities of the Department of Business Economics. Further, it was decided to sign the MOU with the approval of the governing bodies of both parties in the mid of November 2021 to ensure the effective function from the new year 2022.

New Initiations of the Faculty

Information Technology Services Unit

The faculty has established an IT Services Unit to effectively look after the day-to-day activities of the IT laboratories. In addition to that, the unit will provide IT services and training to staff and students. The IT Services Unit will be one of the key services units of the faculty providing facilities to the students, staff, units and cells of the Faculty of Business Studies. Mr. K. Suthesan was appointed as the coordinator of this unit.



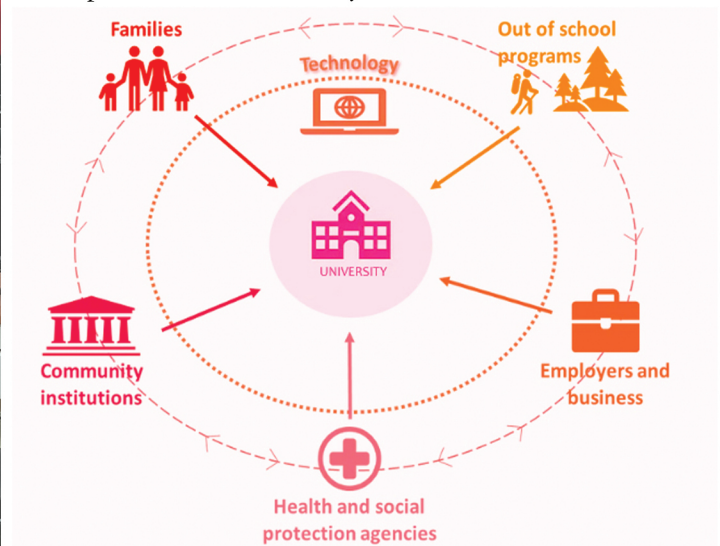
Preliminary Meeting of the Meeting of the Master of Project Management Curriculum

The Department of Project Management (DPM) virtually organized its preliminary meeting with the committee for the Master of Project Management Curriculum held on 09.09.2021 to discuss basic structure of the Master of Project Management Curriculum. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan chaired the meeting and welcomed the participants. Following the self-introduction, the chairperson described the purpose of the discussion and gave brief introduction about the department, faculty and newly elevated university. He discussed about the Master of Project Management (MPM), one year duration with 30 credits and 10 course units in two semesters. Students who successfully complete their first year can be eligible for second year called the Master of Science in Project Management (M.Sc in Project Management), two year duration with 30 credits for course work and 30 credits for research.



Continuity of the Academic Programme of the Faculty during the pandemic

Even though the Covid – 19 pandemic persists, the faculty has done an excellent job and brilliantly managed the situation without postponing any academic activities. The faculty conducted the online examinations for the academic year 2018/19 and 2017/18 successfully with the massive support and dedication of the faculty staff. It also carried out the examinations in person for all the students of the faculty without any interruptions. This is a remarkable accomplishment of the faculty.



Student Events

Lankabīwandana by The Students' Union



**Should we take a hope for people
who are tired of corona?**

Calling for the protection of the entire
country from the current epidemic

**Shoud we preach the
"Rathana Sutta"**
**in every temple in Sri Lanka
at 6.30 p.m. on Poson Poya day?**

**At home we also light a lamp
and chant the Rathana Sutraya
& perform an "Adishtana Pooja"**

Let us wholeheartedly join the lamp offering to chant the
Rathana Suthraya at the same time all over the island



The Faculty of Business Studies Students' Union celebrated the Adishtana Pooja on 24th June 2021. This Adishtana Pooja started at 6.30 pm on Poson Poya day in selected temples scattered in Sri Lanka to chant the glorious Rathana Sutta on the Poson Poya. The event was live telecasted on Facebook. With the noble intention of protecting Sri Lanka from the Corona plague in the country, the Buddhists joined in this ritual by lighting a coconut oil lamp in their homes and chanting the "Rathana Sutta". Also, many people joined us in celebrating this auspicious event and contributed to the program's success. We pray to God to give all the strength to our faculty, medical staff, the security forces, and the entire nation strength during the era of new normalcy.

Webinar on “Career Guidelines and Placement in Accounting and Finance and the Role of CMA in Career Advancement” by the Accounting and Finance Club

The "Accounting and Finance Club" conducted a Zoom Webinar collaborating with the Certified Management Accountants (CMA) on 11th August 2021. At the outset, Dr. (Ms.) K. Kalainathan, Head of the Department of Finance and Accountancy and the club's patron, welcomed the gathering and briefed about the resource person Prof. Lakshman R. Watawala. The resource person gave a speech on the evolution of accounting during the past and modern eras and the role of professional bodies in shaping career. After that, Mr. Dhanuka Sirinama / Councillor of CMA, explained the role being played by CMA in redefining the career paths of the undergraduates. After that, Ms. Kawshalya Hapuarachchi / Education Manager of CMA, explained the exemptions offered by the CMA for the university students, followed by sharing the CMA contact details and ways of registering as a CMA student. Finally, Mr. M. S. A. Nushar / President of the Accounting and Finance Club delivered the vote of thanks. More than one hundred and fifty students participated in this webinar.



“Awareness Talk on Covid -19 Vaccination” by the Students’ Union

**Awareness Talk
about
COVID - 19 Vaccination**

11th of July 2021 | Sunday | 1.30 P.M

Meeting ID : 663 6247 2699
Passcode : Z8ctxF1!

The Speaker

Prof. Giorgi Pkhakadze
Head,
School of Public Health,
David Tvildiani Medical University, Georgia.
&
Expert,
European Commission, Education Audiovisual
and Culture Executive Agency, Belgium.

The Students’ Union, Faculty of Business Studies, University of Vavuniya conducted an “Awareness Talk on Covid -19 Vaccination” via zoom for undergraduate students of the Universities and community people on 11th July 2021 via zoom platform. The main objective of this program was to allay the fears of the students and local people about the corona vaccine and to make them aware of the importance of getting the corona vaccine. The program was commenced by the talk of Mr. I.D.C. Ishara, the president of the Faculty Union. Prof. Giorgi Pkhakadze, School of Public Health, David Tvildiani Medical University (DTMU), Georgia and Consultant, who has been invited as Guest speaker for this virtual session. Further, Professor Madha Suresh, Director, Centre for Natural Hazards and Disaster Studies (CNHDS) the University of Madras was participated and delivered their experiences in India.

Dr.Y.Nanthagopan, Dean, Faculty of Business Studies, shared the current Sri Lankan COVID situations and played a role as Coordinator for this virtual forum and provided encouragement and continuous support for the stakeholders. Further, a question session was also held, and feedbacks were received from the participants during the webinar time. It was made a higher value to the webinar series, and participants also got a clear idea about the importance of getting the corona vaccine. Awareness talk was successfully completed with more than 300 participants.

Tree plantation awareness programme “Time to Think Let us prevent the Air Pollution” by the Human Resource club

The HR Club conducted a sustainable community development programme “Time to Think, Let us prevent the Air Pollution”, on the 14th of July 2021, which insists on the importance of preventing air pollution and safeguarding the future generation. Around 60 students from the faculty, actively participated in this event. This In-door Tree planting campaign aims to address the multitude of issues associated with air pollution and restore the oxygen level at a considerable rate. Through this tree planting campaign, the HR club was able to attain the outcomes such as a learning opportunity to get youngsters involved in the environment and conservation of our natural resources. The members of HR Club planted the in-door plants including English ivy, Pot mom, Gerbera daisy, Holy basil, Aloe vera, Bamboo pal, Snake plant which are suggested by NASA as high Oxygen generators in their home gardens to raise awareness and consciousness about the environment among the masses.



A Webinar on “Pave your own way in the digital world” by the Marketing Club

The Marketing Club of the Faculty of Business Studies organized a webinar on “Pave your own way in the digital world” on 15th of October, 2021. Mr. Sharanyan Sharma was the resource person who is an award-winning entrepreneur in the digital business and a certified digital marketing trainer. He shared his evolutionary progress of success in the digital business and explained the importance of digital marketing in an ever-challenging world. Almost 175 students participated in this webinar. It was a valuable session for the students, especially those who are specialized in marketing management.



A webinar on ‘National Safety Day 2021, Sri Lanka’ by the PM club



The Project Management Club jointly with the Harmony Center of University of Vavuniya and Friendly ASIA conducted a webinar on NATIONAL SAFETY DAY 2021 for undergraduate students and public servants on 26th December 2021 via zoom platform.

Professor Dilanthi Amarathunga, Professor of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management, Head, Global Disaster Resilience Centre and Ms. Anoja Seneviratne, Director, Mitigation, Research and Development Division, DMC were invited as the guest speakers. The titles called “Risk-Informed Decision Making on Development Agenda in Pandemic Crisis” and “Mainstreaming DRR in development projects in Sri Lanka” were presented by the guest speakers respectively.

Further, a question and answer session was also held. It was made a higher value to the webinar series and specially students were mostly benefited through this session. There were more than 150 participations. This valuable webinar provided a huge approach to the students gain their knowledge in Disaster Management and Risk Reduction. Especially this webinar was helpful to the students to understand that how exactly the disaster risk reduction programs practically applied and got to know that even in the pandemics how to make suitable development decisions.

How to be an online entrepreneur by the Project Management club

The Project Management Club conducted a webinar called “How to be an online entrepreneur” for undergraduate students of the Universities on 12th September 2021 via zoom platform. Mr. Madushka Dissanayake, Entrepreneur, Director/Shareholder at Proximo and AUKOD, Mr. Chamin Dias, Moderator of Online Entrepreneurs Club, Sri Lanka and Mr. Lasantha Wickramasinghe, Online Entrepreneur, Shareholder at Outsmart Hub HQ, Founder of Builtapps, were invited as Guest speakers for this virtual session. Topics such as “Introduction to online entrepreneurship”, “How to start your online business journey”, “Why you should become an online entrepreneur” and “From ‘Hustling’ to ‘Entrepreneurship’” and “Costly mistakes to avoid in your entrepreneurship journey” were presented by the speakers respectively. Ms. M.F. Zaleeka, an active member of the club played a role as Telecaster of this webinar series 02. Mrs. S. Mathivathany, Senior Advisor, Treasurer of the PM Club, played the role of the coordinator and moderator for this webinar. The primary purpose of this webinar was to know the various platforms for online money earnings while studying.

Further, a question session also was held, and feedbacks were received from the participants during the webinar time. It was made a higher value to the webinar series, and participants also got a clear idea about online entrepreneurship. This webinar was successfully completed with more than 300 participants. This valuable webinar provided a considerable approach to the students to gain their skills to be an entrepreneur and part-time jobs. Especially this webinar was helpful to the students to understand what exactly mean by online entrepreneurship, how to develop as an entrepreneur step by step. It was the most interesting via virtual platform during the pandemic situation.



Mother and Nature Photography Competition by the Project Management club

The Project Management Club of the University of Vavuniya, organized an open photography competition to celebrate World Youth Day on 12th of August 2021. The primary purpose of this competition was to encourage the students on photography and improve their creativity. The audience selected the winners by the voting systems in this competition. As the PM Club exco members planned, the winning prizes for the winners were rewarded by a reload like Rs.1000/=, Rs. 500/= and Rs.300/= for 1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place, respectively.

The announcement was given to the people through a poster via social media and a faculty website about the competition. The 315 photos all over the country were received, which were sent by competitors by 10th of August 2021. Once collected photos, the voting round was started until midnight of 11th of August 2021. Then, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places were announced on 12th of August 2021 according to the votes to their photos.



'MOTHER NATURE'

#INTERNATIONALYOUTHSDAY (AUG 12)
PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

PARTICIPATION METHOD:

Step 1 : Take a photo that shows the beauty and sanctity of nature.

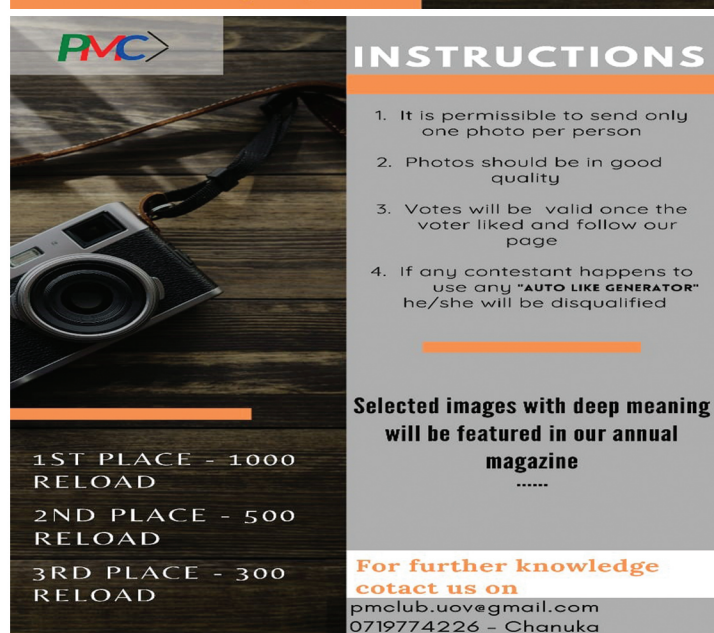
Step 2 : Send your image along with your details to pmclub.uov@gmail.com On or before **30th July 8AM**

Step 3 : We'll upload your image on 2nd August to commence the voting process.

Step 4 : Share the post with your photo among your friends to obtain likes(votes).

NOTE: THE ONE WITH THE MOST LIKES WINS

Winner will be announced on 12th of August
(Voting will take place from 2nd of Aug 8Am To 10th of Aug 12PM)



INSTRUCTIONS

1. It is permissible to send only one photo per person
2. Photos should be in good quality
3. Votes will be valid once the voter liked and follow our page
4. If any contestant happens to use any "AUTO LIKE GENERATOR" he/she will be disqualified

Selected images with deep meaning will be featured in our annual magazine

1ST PLACE - 1000 RELOAD

2ND PLACE - 500 RELOAD

3RD PLACE - 300 RELOAD

For further knowledge contact us on
pmclub.uov@gmail.com
0719774226 - Chanuka

"Disaster risk reduction of development projects in Sri Lanka" by the Project Management club

The Project Management Club conducted a webinar titled "Disaster risk reduction of development projects in Sri Lanka" for project management students on 13th of October 2021 via zoom platform. The main purpose of this webinar was to celebrate the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction and give awareness to the students regarding disaster risk reductions.

Mr.K.Sugunathas, Assistant Director, Disaster Management Centre, Trincomalee, was invited as a Guest speaker of this virtual session. Especially, he discussed about Disaster situation in Sri Lanka, how risks are occurring, what kind of risks are being occurred, how can be managed disaster risk, what kind of techniques and tools can be used, what are the challenges faced by the development field and how the project managers delt those. Ms.M.F.Zaleeka, an Active Member of the club, played a role as Telecaster of this webinar series 03.

Project management students are the group who primarily benefited from this session. The 3rd webinar was successfully completed with more than 100 participants. This valuable webinar provided a considerable approach to the students to gain their knowledge in Disaster Management and Risk Reduction. Especially this webinar was helpful to the students to understand that how exactly the disaster risk reduction programs practically applied.



The Project Management Club of the Faculty of Business Studies invites you to a Webinar Series -03



"Disaster Risk Reduction of Development Projects in Sri Lanka"

13th October 2021, Wednesday | 3.00 p.m



Mr. K.Sugunathas (Bsc in Biology, Msc in Environmental Science)
Assistant Director
Disaster Management Centre (DMC)
Trincomalee

Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 620 8315 3008
Passcode: DRRday13@1

#DRRday
#BuildToLast

Organized by:
The Project Management Club,
Department of Project Management,
Faculty of Business Studies,
University of Vavuniya

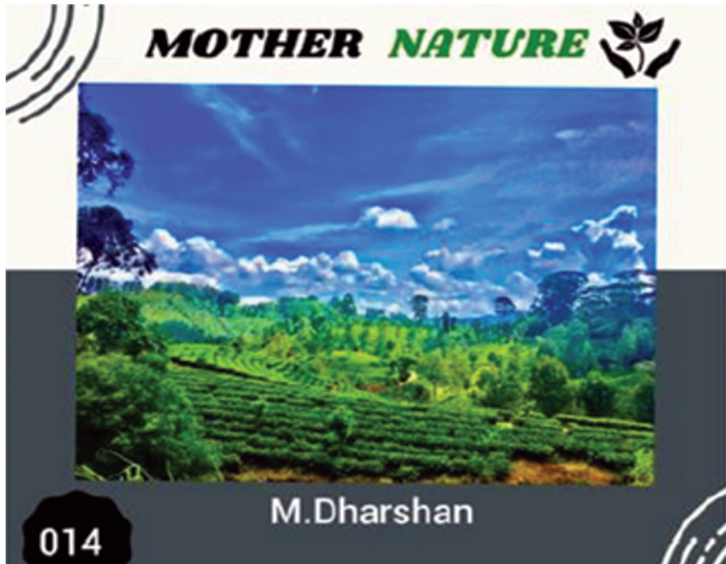
13 OCTOBER
INTERNATIONAL DAY
For Disaster Risk Reduction

Project Management Club

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Project Management Club

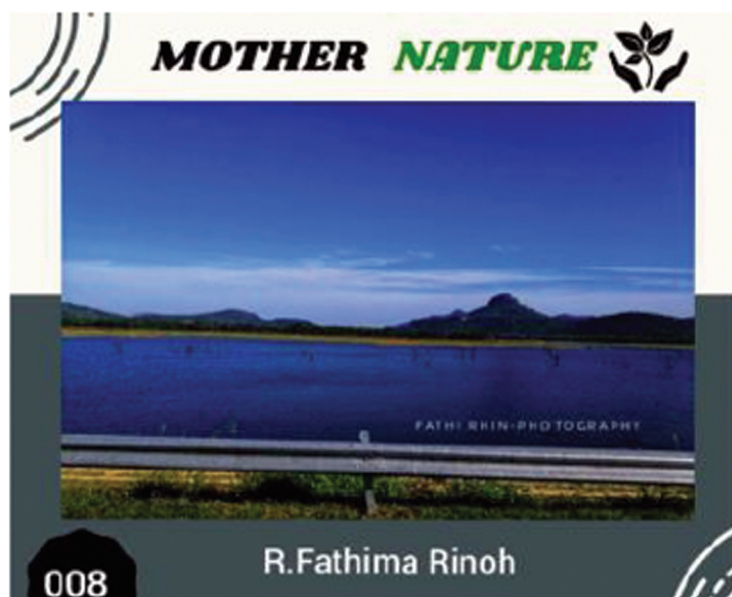
The winners of the photography competition : PM Club



Mr.Dharshan
2nd Year,
Department of Project Management
Faculty of Business Studies
University of Vavuniya



Ms.T.Thurkga
1st Year,
Department of Project Management
Faculty of Business Studies
University of Vavuniya



Ms.R.Fathima Rinoh
1st Year,
Department of Project Management
Faculty of Business Studies
University of Vavuniya

Community Enrichment Activities

Seminar on How to get your Business Registered?

The Industry Community Interaction Cell, Faculty of Business Studies, organized a free seminar on 'How to get your Business Registered?' on 03rd of October, 2021 from 09.00 am – 10.30 am. via virtual platform. The Vice Chancellor-UOV, Bursar-UOV and Ms. S. Subashini/ Accountant, Divisional Secretariat, Vavuniya, were served as resource persons. The seminar addressed the importance of why the businesses need to be registered? The process of business registration and the practical issues related to the business registration by the resource persons. The business community from the Vavuniya district and potential business people benefitted from this seminar. The seminar was entirely conducted in Tamil medium. Mr. C. Larojan/ Coordinator, Industry Community Interaction Cell, organized this seminar.

REGISTER
YOUR
BUSINESS

How to get your Business Registered ?
உங்கள் வியாபாரத்தினை எவ்வாறு பதிவு செய்வது ?

ICIC பிரிவு, வியாபாரக்கற்றைகள் பிரிவு, வவுனியாப் பல்கலைக்கழகம் நடாத்தும் தமிழ் மொழி மூலமான இலவச அருத்தரங்கு

Resource Persons
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Vice Chancellor
University of Vavuniya,
Sri Lanka
Mr. L. Ram Ramanan
Bursar
University of Vavuniya,
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Ms. S. Subashini
Accountant
Divisional Secretariat,
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திகதி :- 03/10/2021 (Sunday)
நேரம் :- 09 am 12 noon
தொடர்பு :- Coordinator ICIC, வவுனியாப் பல்கலைக்கழகம்
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Webinar on How to approach the HRM Questions in G.C.E./A/L Examination

The Department of Human Resource Management conducted an online workshop on A/L past paper discussion for commerce stream students as a community outreach activity on the 13th of October 2021. This workshop majorly aims to facilitate the A/L Commerce stream students to prepare themselves for answering the HR-related questions in the Business Studies subject. Around 60 participants, including students and teachers, actively participated in the session. The Dean, Faculty of Business Studies, commenced the program, and the Vice-Chancellor, University of Vavuniya, addressed the students and guided them on approaching the questions and discussed the answering techniques to be followed in the A/L examinations to manage the time successfully and to answer the questions effectively. The resource persons discussed the 15 years of HR-related past paper questions with the students and clarified them.

The participants actively participated throughout the workshop, and the resource persons enthusiastically clarified the participants' doubts. Overall, the session was both informative and exciting, and it could be observed that most of the participants of this workshop find it useful not only for their learning but also for managing their A/L examinations effectively.



Faculty Alumni Events

A special workshop on “Understanding Authentic Goals in Life” by the Alumni Association

The Alumni Association of Faculty of Business Studies, University of Vavuniya (AAFBS) conducted the Special General Meeting (SGM) on 18th July 2021 to create awareness among the passed-out students and to enroll them into the Alumni network. A special workshop was also conducted on the same theme “Understanding Authentic Goals in Life” by Mr. Shirantha Palliyaguru, Deputy General Manager, United Motors Lanka Ltd, Sri Lanka. The SGM was started with the President’s address, followed by the speech by the Ex-officio and Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies, and ended up with a promotion talk. Around 35 participants, including the Alumni from Canada and Norway, partook in the workshop.



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE FACULTY OF BUSINESS STUDIES (AAFBS)
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VAVUNIYA, SRI LANKA

Webinar

“Job opportunities for Management Graduates abroad”



We cordially invite all the management graduates and students

Resource Person

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Alumni member of AAFBS

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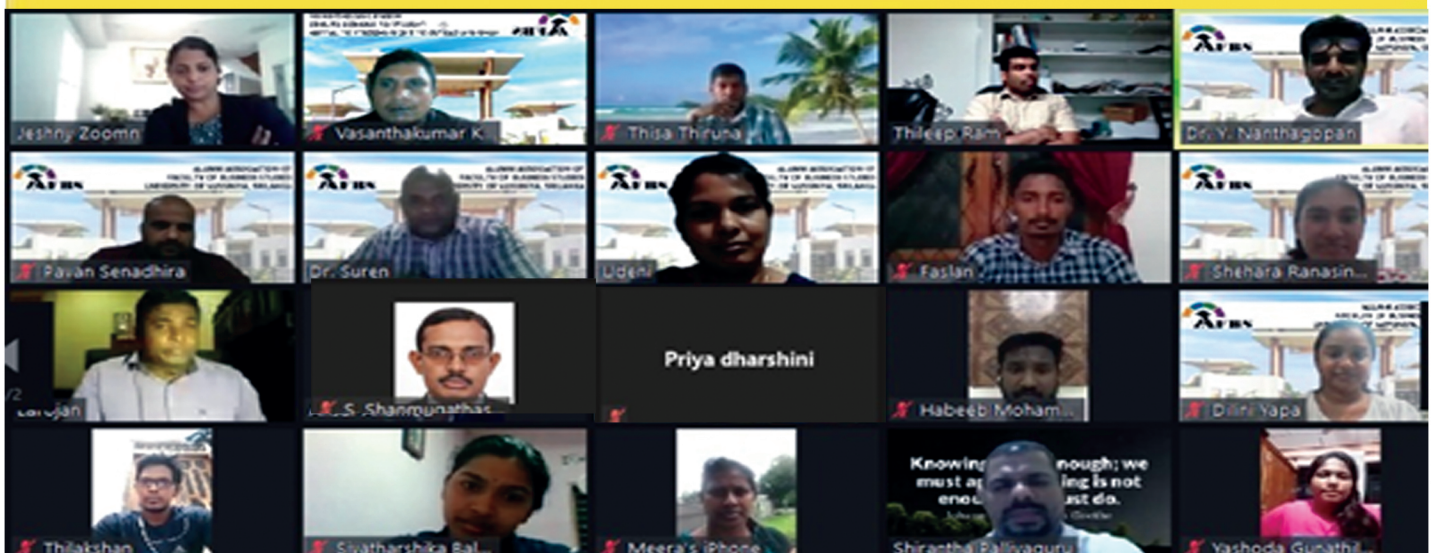
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Appointments



Mr. S. A. Jude Leon was appointed as the Head of the Department of Marketing Management with effect from 01.10.2021.

Mr.S. Harikaran was appointed as the Head of the Department of Human Resource Management with effect from 01.10.2021.



Promotion



Dr. Ambalam Pushpanathan was promoted as the Associate Professor in Management with effect from 10.10.2017. He gained the honour of first associate professor in the University of Vavuniya.

Awards



Mr T.Selvamalai, Lecturer in Business Economics, Department of Business Economics started his PhD degree in October 2021, in Economics at the School of Economics, University of East Anglia (UEA), the United Kingdom.

This university was ranked 8th for economics by Guardian University Guide-2021. Further, he has obtained the UEA Postgraduate Studentship offered by the School of Economics for his doctoral studies. The studentship (valued at approximately LKR one crore per year) covers international tuition fees, a maintenance grant and a research training support grant.

The paper authored by Thevanes, N. & Pushpanathan, A. (2021) titled Mediated Mediation Model to Examine the Nexus among Entrepreneurship Skills, Entrepreneurship Attitude, Entrepreneurship Intention and Start-up Preparation of the Undergraduates in the selected Universities in Sri Lanka was received the best research paper award at the 18th International Conference on Business Management (ICBM 2018), Faculty University of Sri Jayewardenepura, on 09.12.2021.



Staff News

FAREWELL OF PROF. RANJITH WIJAYAWARDANA



Farewell party of Prof. Ranjith Wijayawardana, the former Vice-Chancellor of the Rajaratta University of Sri Lanka who had completed his sabbatical leave at the Faculty of Business Studies, was held on 28th July 2021 in the Balakrishnan Block of the faculty of Business Studies. Dr. Y. Nanthagopan, Dean, Faculty of Business Studies commenced the party with a welcome address and appreciated his enormous service in teaching activities as well as research. He also thanked the attendees for coming. Then Dr.Mangaleswaran, The vice Chancellor, University of Vavuniya, delivered a special address on his immense involvement in the faculty and gave a memento. Followed by Dr.A.Pushpanathan delivering a speech. This event was organized in a limited manner due to Covid - 19. Around 50 participants took part in this party.



Mr.J.Aloy Niresh, Senior Lecturer II attached to the Department of Finance and Accountancy, who had been working from 05.05.2014 to 28.10.2021 in the Faculty of Business Studies left from the University of Vavuniya and joined in the University of Jaffna.



Mr.V.Nirojan, who had been working as Works Aide in the Department of Economics and Management, Faculty of Business Studies from 02.05.2017 to 31.10.2021 left from the University of Vavuniya and joined in the University of Jaffna.



Workshops and Seminars

Dr. Y. Nanthagopan served as a Chair of technical sessions at the CIPM conference on 2nd of July 2021.

Dr.Y.Nanthagopan conducted a workshop on "Curriculum Development" to develop the Certificate and Advanced Certificate Course in Co-operative Management of the Provincial Co-operative Institute on 17th September 2021.

Dr.Y.Nanthagopan conducted a workshop on "Curriculum Development" to develop the Diploma Course in Co-operative Management of the Provincial Co-operative Institute on 30th September 2021.

Dr. A. Rukshan conducted a workshop on "Conducting Online Examinations" for the faculty staff on 29th September 2021.

Dr.A.Rukshan conducted a Training programme via online for the second and third year students for Online Examination", on 05th October 2021.

Dr. A. Rukshan served as a resource person to the workshop on "Using the 5S Tool to Organize the School Workplace" on 31st October 2021 from 04.00 pm to 06.30 pm, via Zoom. This event was organized by the Kn/ Thiruvaiyaru Maha Vidyalayam Kilinochchi, Sri Lanka. 78 School Teachers participated and obtained the Benefits.

Dr. K.Kalainathan served as a resource person for the awareness session on "Gender Equity and Equality and SGBV" for 2nd year students of the Faculty, organized by Center for Gender Equity and Equality, the University of Jaffna on 5th July 2021.



Mrs.J.S.Thevaruban conducted a workshop on “How to Audit Manufacturing Account and Operational Processes of Manufacturing Performance of the Co-operatives with the Application of Sri Lanka Auditing Standards” for Vavuniya and Mannar Districts Co-operative Development Officers, which was organized by the Commissioner of Northern Province Co-operative Training Institute at Rural Development Department Hall in Vavuniya on 15/12/2021 and 16 /12/2021.

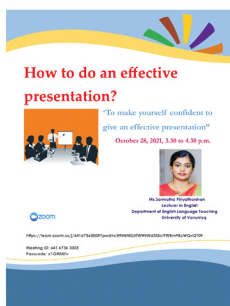
Mr. G.R.M. Gamlath served as a Chair to a technical Session of the 4th National Research Symposium on Management 2021 (NRSM - 2021), at the Faculty of Management Studies, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka, on 10th June 2021.

Dr.T. Mangaleswaran served as a Chair of technical sessions at the CIPM conference on 2nd of July 2021.

Mrs. S. Mathivathany virtually conducted a workshop on "Project Management" for the selected school children in Sri Lanka. It was organized by MAS CAPITAL (PVT) LTD under the MAS Eco Go Beyond Project- 2021 on 24th and 25th August 2021.

Jeyaseelan conducted a workshop on 'Sentence Patterns in Professional Writing' to the non-academic staff of Vavuniya Campus organized by the Staff Development Center, Vavuniya Campus on 24th of November 2021.

Mr.S.Douglas conducted workshops on “Designing online listening test” and “Designing online oral test” for DELT staff on 27th and 28th July 2021.



Ms.P. Sarmatha virtually conducted a workshop on ‘How to do an effective presentation’ to the first-year students who are following both the Project management and Business Management Degree programme in the Faculty of Business Studies on 28th October, 2021. The feedback was collected from students at the end.



Students Awards

- Sri Lanka Institute of Marketing (SLIM) Gold Medal in Bachelor of Business Management (Honours) in Marketing Management was awarded to Ms. Dharmakeerthige Kanchana Madubhashini for the best performance in Honours in Marketing Management in BBM Honours Degree Examination for the Academic Year 2018/2019.
- Dr. Nagalingam Balakrishnan Gold Medal in Bachelor of Business Management (Honours) in Business Economics was awarded to Mr. Dewala Mulle Pathirana Isuru Lakmal Jayathilaka for the best performance in Honours in Business Economics in BBM Honours Degree Examination for the Academic Year 2018/2019.
- Mr.W.J.Soosairatnam Gold Medal in Bachelor of Business Management (Honours) in Accounting and Finance was awarded to Miss. Disenayake Mudiyansele Iresha Erandi Disenayake for the best performance in Honours in Accounting and Finance in BBM Honours Degree Examination for the Academic Year 2018/2019.

Newsletter Committee



Sitting From Left to Right : Mr.C. Larojan, Dr.Y. Nanthagopan, Ms.P. Sarmatha (Chairperson)
Standing From Left to Right : Mr.K. Suthesan, Mr.S. Douglas, Ms.J. Prasheena, Ms.S. Anithra

Future Events



- Signing MOU – CMA, SLIM, PMI, CIPM and IBISL
- Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the faculty

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