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APPOINTMENT OF THE NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR

His Excellency President has appointed Prof. Udaya Rathnayake as the Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka.

He asumed duties with effect from 03rd November 2020 as the 7th Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. Prof. Rathnayake served as the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka before taking up the new appointment.





2nd MURS: “FOSTERING GLOBAL CITIZENSHIPS TOWARDS NEW NORMAL”

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Prof. Udaya Rathnayaka, the Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka attended the conference as the Chief Guest. Prof. Athula Gnanapala, the Dean of the Faculty of Management Studies stated that it was an honor to be partnered with Emerald Publishing in conducting the conference. The conference concluded with an immense success with the keynote speeches delivered by Mr. Nandana Wickramage (Former Group Director of CBL Group and a Business Consultant) and Ms. Sanjeeta Menon (Publishing Relationship Manager, Emerald Publishing). Ninety-one (91) students presented their researches at the conference representing various countries in the South Asian region.

AGREEMENT SIGNING CEREMONY WITH FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT BUREAU, RATHNAPURA

Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka and the Foreign Employment Bureau at Rathnapura signed an agreement.



Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka and the Foreign Employment Bureau signed an agreement on November 18th, 2020 which is effective from 01st December 2020, marking the official cooperation between the two institutes.

According to the memorandum of understanding (MOU), the two sides agreed upon the utilization of the 3rd floor of the building which belongs to the Foreign Employment Bureau at Rathnapura on a rental basis for conducting lectures of the Faculty of Medicine & Faculty of Graduates Studies of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. The agreement was signed by Prof. Udaya Rathnayaka, the Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka and Mr. Kamal Rathwaththe – Chairman of Foreign Employment Bureau under the witness of representatives from both parties.

5th ICMR: “FOSTERING GLOBAL CITIZENSHIPS TOWARDS NEW NORMAL”



In collaboration with Emerald Publishing, the Faculty of Management Studies accomplished its 5th International Conference of Management Researches (ICMR) via the virtual platform on 26th November 2020, capturing the theme of “Fostering Global Citizenships towards New Normal.”

Prof. Udaya Rathnayaka, the Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka was the Chief Guest of the conference. Prof. Athula Gnanapala, the Dean of the Faculty of Management Studies appreciated the opportunity to have Emerald Publishing as a partner organization in conducting the conference. The conference was concluded with an immense success with a session on “How to improve article acceptance rate and publish quicker” conducted by Ms. Sangeeta Menon (Publishing Relations Manager, Emerald Publishing) and the with the keynote speeches made by Prof. Li-Hsin Chen, (National Kaohsiung University of Hospitality and Tourism, Taiwan), Prof. Steven Krauss, (University Putra Malaysia), Prof. M.S.M. Aslam, (Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka), Ms. Sangeeta Menon (Emerald Publishing), and Prof. Rotem Shneor (University of Agder, Norway).



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Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka teamed up with Bank of Ceylon, Pambahinna for the digital revolution. Mr. JMKH Bodhirathna, Branch Manager of Bank of Ceylon, Pambahinna, and several staff members of BOC visited the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka on Friday 14th of August 2020.

This visit was taken place to congratulate Prof. Udaya Rathnayake, the newly appointed Vice-Chancellor of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka, and to hand over a proposal with details about the BOC digital products and services along with information and pricing for a customized digital product solution based on the needs of the University.

Digital revolution, everyone's expectation today is a seamless payment experience from the service providers, the key of changing business models, institutions and society as a whole with emerging new ecosystems that enhance service quality with customer satisfaction. Presently, BOC collaborates with the Government towards achieving sustainable economic development through the digital platforms aligned with the National Digital Policy and the Digital Road Map of Ceylon Bank of Sri Lanka. This initiative has been recognized as a timely needed and valuable opportunity by the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka.

DIGIAL REVOLUTION WITH BOC

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CEREMONY OF LAYING FOUNDATION STONE FOR THE NEW FACULTY COMPLEX OF THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES - PHASE I

The Ceremony of Laying of Foundation Stone for the Construction of the New Faculty Complex Phase I of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka was held on Saturday 21st November 2020 at 11.00 a.m. at the University Premises Belihuloya.

The Chief Guest of this occasion was Senior Prof. Janitha Liyanage Vice Chairperson-University Grants Commission and the Guest of Honor was Prof. Udaya Ratnayake the Vice-Chancellor, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. The Ceremony was held with the distinguished participation of Prof. M.P. Sumith Magamage, the Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, and Senior Professor Rohana P. Mahaliyanaarachchi, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Visual and Performing Arts. Deans of other Faculties and the Academic Staff members of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Former Deans of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University Council Members, Actg. Registrar, Librarian, Actg. Bursar, Directors of Centers/Units, Administrative Staff Members, Academic Supportive and Non-Academic Staff Members graced this event.





ANNUAL 'KATINA PINKAMA' HELD UNDER SUSL'S PATRONAGE

Annual 'Katina Pinkama' was held under the patronage of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka at the University Temple Premises in Belihuloya 20.11.2020.

It is the tradition since the days of ancient culture to cultivate cotton, spin yarn and used the cotton cloth woven from yarn to sew the 'Cheevara' (Bhikkhu's robes) and present it to the Maha Sanga. At the 'Katina Cheevara Pooja' ceremony organized by Prof. Udaya Rathnayake, the Vice Chancellor of Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka met the chief incumbent of the temple Ven. Galagama Buddhanda Thera and received blessings. Subsequent to the religious rituals observed, the Vice-Chancellor brought the 'Katina Cheevara' and offered it with utmost veneration to the 'Maha Sangha'. Ven. Galagama Buddhanda Thera delivered the sermon respectively. Academic & Non Academic staff members and several others were present at this religious ceremony.





Novel Beverages from Ceylon Cinnamon

Team RIC 16 of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka won the AHEAD Research Innovation and Commercialization Grant funded by the World Bank and the total project worth 45 million LKR. Team RIC 16, Prof. Achini De Silva, Dr. Renda Jeewanthi, Tharaka Weddagala and Janaranjana Ekanayake were instrumental in developing two novel beverages from Ceylon Cinnamon. Cinnamon leaf tea and latte were born in Cinnamon research lab of Faculty of Agricultural Sciences in the University. Cargills partners with the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka for research and development especially the commercialization of both cinnamon leaf tea and latte.

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