

Progress Report 2015 – Department of Accounting

Produce High Quality Human Resources (Teaching and Learning)

- A skill development workshop for enhancing auditing and soft skills titled ‘Improving Audit Skills – Training Program’ was conducted by the international chartered accounting firm, Ernst & Young (EY), Sri Lanka for the Second Year undergraduates of the Department of Accounting from 23rd February to 26th February, 2015 for the seventh consecutive time.
- The students, who follow ACC 4327: Sustainability Management Accounting course unit in the fourth year of the B.Sc. Accounting (Special) Degree Programme, visited Heritance Kandalama Hotel on 20th May 2015 in order to study the sustainability related practices. Mr. Nuwan Gunarathne (the course lecturer), Mr. Samitha Rodrigo and Mr. Roshan Herath also participated in the visit.
- The students, who follow ACC 4327: Sustainability Management Accounting course unit in the fourth year of the B.Sc Accounting (Special) Degree Programme, visited the following organizations during the month of June, 2015.
 - ✓ Jetwing Lighthouse Hotel, Galle – to examine the environmental management and accounting practices
 - ✓ Henfold Estate, Lindula (Watawala Plantations PLC) & Mooray Estate and Hapugastanne Estate, Maskeliya (Maskeliya Plantations PLC) – to examine the bio-diversity management and accounting practices Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne (the course lecturer) also participated in these visits.
- Professor Gregory Asoka Liyanarachchi served in post of Ernst and Young Professor in Accounting of the Department during the period 15.05.2015 to 14.06.2015. During this period of stay he conducted lectures for the final year students of B.Sc. Accounting (Special) Degree in the Research Methodology course on ‘Mixed-Method of Research.’
- Dr. W Hilary E Silva received his Ph.D. on the General Convocation of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura held on 29th July 2015 at B M I CH.
- Diploma awarding ceremony of the 5th Batch of Diploma in Computer Based Accounting Program and 1st Batch of Advanced Diploma in Computer Based Accounting program was held on 7th August 2015 at Prof. K A Munasinghe Hall, with participation of Vice-Chancellor of the University, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, Heads of the Department and Academic

Members of the Department. 48 Diplomas and 33 Advanced Diplomas were awarded to the students who have completed respective programs successfully. Keynote speech was delivered by Mr. Sanjaya Bandara, Partner, B.R De Silva & Company.

- Dr.Roshan Ajward attended a training program on ‘Forensic auditing to mitigate organizational fraud’ held during 16th and 17th September 2015, which was organized by the Center for Banking Studies, Rajagiriya, Sri Lanka.
- Dr. W G S Kelum and Dr. A A J Fernando as the resource persons in the Workshop on "Financial Reporting and Zero Based Budgeting" for finance staff and planning directors of 5 provincial councils (western, Uva, Sabaragamuwa, North Western, and Southern) on 12 and 13 November 2015 organized by the Operations and Monitoring Unit of TSEP project operating under the Ministry of Provincial Council and Local Government and held at Pegasus Hotel, Handala Wattala
- ගණකාධිකරණ අධ්‍යයනාංශයේ ශිෂ්‍ය සංගමය වන ගණකාධිකරණ හා මූල්‍ය කළමනාකරණ සංගමය (AFMA) විසින් සංවිධානය කරන ලද ක්‍රීඩා සැණකෙළිය (Sports Fiesta - 2015) නොවැම්බර් මස 9, 16 සහ 17 දින අතරින්දී පවත්වන ලදී. අධ්‍යයනාංශ ප්‍රධාන ඇතුළු ආචාර්ය මණ්ඩලයේ සහයෝගය ඇතිව ශිෂ්‍යයන් සංවිධානය කරන ලද මෙම ක්‍රීඩා සැණකෙළිය ජ්‍යෙෂ්ඨ කථික ආචාර්ය ආචාර්ය හරේන්ද්‍ර කාරියවසම් මහතා සහ කථික ආචාර්ය එච්එම් ටී ජී සීසඳුරුවන් මහතාගේ පූර්ණ අධීක්ෂණය යටතේ පැවැත්විය. 9 වන දින කි.මී. 8 ක මැරතන් තරගයත්, 16 සහ 17 වන දින වල මලල ක්‍රීඩා ඇතුළු ක්‍රිකට්, අත්පන්දු, දූල් පන්දු, පාපන්දු, රගර්, සහ පිහිනුම් ආදී තරඟ 40 ක් පමණ පවත්වන ලදී. සියළුම අධ්‍යයනාංශවලින් සහ පළමු වසර නියෝජනය කරමින් කණ්ඩායම් දෙකක් සහභාගී වූ මෙම ක්‍රීඩා සැණකෙළියට දළ වශයෙන් කළමනාකරණ පීඨයෙහි ශිෂ්‍ය ශිෂ්‍යයාවන් 1000 කට අධීක සංඛ්‍යාවක් තරඟ ඉසව්ව සඳහා පමණක් සහභාගී වූහ. 16 වන දින පැවති සමාරම්භ උත්සවයට සහ 17 දින සවස පැවැත්වූ කුසලාන සහ සහතික ප්‍රධානෝත්සවයට උපකුලපතිතුමා, පීඨාධිපතිතුමා ඇතුළු ආචාර්ය මණ්ඩලය සහභාගී විය. මෙම ක්‍රීඩා සැණකෙළියෙහි ශූරතාවය ව්‍යාපාර අධ්‍යයනාංශය විසින් දිනා ගන්නා ලද අතර අනුශූරතාවය ප්‍රථම වසර B කණ්ඩායම විසින් දිනා ගන්නා ලදී.

- Following three mentoring programs were held by training organizations to the for the Second Year undergraduates of the Department of Accounting:

Session Conducted by	Date	Time	Venue
KPMG Sri Lanka	27 th November 2015	03:00pm to 06:00pm	SBTF – Mainhall
Ernst & Young	01 st December 2015	09:00am to 10:30am	Fayol
BR De Silva	01 st December 2015	11:00am to 12:00noon	Fayol

These mentoring sessions were held by number of resource persons from the respective training organizations and included topics such as expectations of training

providers, career options and future advancements, how to face interviews, CV preparation, grooming for success, maintaining a positive attitude, and other related topics that are suitable for these students that plan to commence their internship training in their Third Year. Moreover, some resource persons—who were graduates from the Department—shared their own experiences and their success stories that highly motivated the students. These interactive sessions were well-received by the students. Mr. Chamara Abeyrathna and Ms. Thamali Rodrigo, partners from KPMG Sri Lanka and Mr. Devaka Cooray, the staff partner of Ernst and Young also participated in the respective mentoring sessions and the Department expresses its gratitude for these arrangements.

Prof. Samantha Senaratne (Overall Coordinator of the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants of the Department of Accounting) welcomed these training providers and appreciated their valuable contribution to our students. The Department appreciates Dr. Roshan Ajward for coordinating these mentoring sessions with the assistance of Mr. H.M.T.G.C. Sandaruwan and its student body - Accountancy and Financial Management Association (AFMA). Ms. Sanjeevanie Cooray, Senior Lecturer and Mr. Roshan Herath, Tutor of the Department also took part in these sessions

Enhance Contribution to knowledge through Research and Publication (Research and Publication)

- **EMAN 2015 Global Conference**

The Department of Accounting hosted 2015 Global Conference of Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting Network (EMAN) in Colombo on 29th January and 30th January, 2015 at Hotel Galadari. The theme of the Conference was “Advancing Sustainability Management Accounting in the Asia Pacific Region”. This was the first time an EMAN Conference was held in the South Asian Region.

- **Book on Environmental Management Accounting in Sri Lankan Enterprises**

The book titled “Environmental Management Accounting in Sri Lankan Enterprises”, co-authored by Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne, lecturer and Mr. Sanka Peiris, Ms. Kalani Edirisooriya and Ms. Ruwanthi Jayasinghe, graduates of the Department of Accounting was also launched at the Conference. The publication of this book was sponsored by Diesel & Motor Engineering (DIMO) PLC.

- **Staff Development Programme**

The Department of Accounting along with the Staff Development Programme of the Faculty and the Staff Development Centre of the University organized a session on “Research Opportunities in the Field of Sustainability; aiming for International Publications” to the academic staff members of the Universities and PhD students in

Management of the FMSC. This session was conducted by Prof. Stefan Schaltegger and Prof. (Dr.) Ki-Hoon Lee. Ms. Deshani Hettiarachchi of the Department of Accounting coordinated this event.

- **Business Forum**

A Business Forum on Sustainability Management Accounting on the theme “Sustainability in the Turbulent Business Environments” was organized in concurrence to the EMAN Global Conference 2015. This was held at the Postgraduate Institute of Management (PIM). It was organized by the Department of Accounting in collaboration with PIM Alumni Association. Prof. Stefan Schaltegger and Prof. Ki-Hoon Lee served as the guest speakers of the Conference whilst Mr. Suresh Gooneratne, Finance Director, DIMO Plc served as the Panelist. Professor Mangala Fonseka of the Department of Accounting served as the moderator of the Forum. This event was coordinated by Mr. Chathuranga Sandaruwan of the Department of Accounting.

- **KPMG Professor in Accounting**

The Department of Accounting appointed Prof. Stefan Schaltegger for the post of Endowed KPMG Professor in Accounting of the Department of Accounting during his stay in Sri Lanka alongside the EMAN Global Conference 2015. He completed the following activities under this post.

- ✓ Served as the Keynote Speaker of the EMAN Global Conference 2015
- ✓ Served as a resource person of the EMAN Global Conference 2015
- ✓ Conducted the staff development session organized for the academic staff members of the Universities and PhD students in Management of the FMSC
- ✓ Served as a guest speaker of the Business Forum on Sustainability Management Accounting
- ✓ Conducted a session for KPMG-Sri Lanka on the latest developments in accounting for sustainability and sustainability reporting, and their implications on assurance services.
- ✓ Initiated the ground work relating to future research studies to be conducted by the Department on accounting for sustainability.

- **Presentation of Papers at EMAN Global Conference 2015**

The following papers presented at the 2015 EMAN Global Conference were co-authored by the academic staff members of the Department of Accounting.

Authors	Title of the paper
Professor Kennedy D. Gunawardana	Financial and non-financial measures for sustainability in SMEs

Professor Samanthi Senaratne Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne Mr. Roshan Herath Mr. Chathuranga Bandara	Diffusion of integrated reporting in an emerging economy
Dr. Susith Fernando	CSR practices: a comparison between a developed and a developing country
Dr. Dileepa N Samudrage Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne Ms. Dinushi N Wjesinghe	Fostering economic bottom line through social sustainability (industrial safety): the case of a mining company

- Kingsley Karunaratne Presented a joint paper at the International Conference on Global Business, Economics, Finance and Social Sciences held on 21st February 2015 at the Novotel Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. Title of the paper - Students Perception on the Effectiveness of the Industrial Internship Programme. Co-author Niroshani Perera (BSc, MBA), Brandix Intimate, Ratmalana
- Accountancy & Financial Management Association (AFMA) Publication Committee published Accounting Panorama in Sinhala medium Maganize focusing to G.C.E (A/L) Teachers and Students. All the articles are written by the lecturers of the Department.
- The Department of Accounting appointed Prof. G A Liyanarachchi for the post of Endowed E & Y Professor in Accounting of the Department of Accounting during of the period 15.05.2015 to 14.06.2015.
- Gunatilake, G., Lord, B., & Dixon, K. (2015, 4 June). *Accounting Practices: The Change I See*. A paper presented at the 10th European Network for Research in Organisational and Accounting Change, Galway, Ireland.
- Dr. M Susith J S K D Fernando appointed as an editorial member of the American Journal of Theoretical and Applied Business which is owned by the Science Publishing Group.
- A chapter titled “Fostering the adoption of environmental management with the help of accounting: An integrated framework”, authored by Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne has been published in the book “Social Audit Regulation” of Rahim M.M. and Idowu, S (2015). The publisher of the book is Springer International Publishing: Switzerland [pp. 301-324, ISBN 978-3-319-15837-2]

- Professor Gregory Asoka Liyanarachchi provided guidance to the academic staff members of the Department of Accounting on their research issues as indicated below:
 - ✓ Continue a research on "Accountants' Professionalism" this is an ongoing study with Mr. Nuwan Gunaratne
 - ✓ PhD supervision for a staff member - Reading and commenting on work in progress and advising
 - ✓ Mentoring of following staff members on individual basis on their research related issues, Dr. D N Samudrage, Ms. Deshani Hettiarachchi, Mr. Nuwan Gunaratne, Dr. P A G Gunatilake and Ms Dinushi Wijesinghe

- Dr. Gayathri Gunatilake served as the Discussant for the paper presented by Goretzki, L. (2015, 4 June). *"Fragile Partners": On the Identity Work of Management Accountants* at the 10th European Network for Research in Organisational and Accounting Change, Galway, Ireland.

- Gunatilake, G., Lord, B., & Dixon, K. (2015, 8-10 July). *Accounting Practices: The Change I See*. A Paper submitted to the Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Accounting Conference, Stockholm, Sweden.

- Dr. Gayathri Gunatilake served as the Discussant for the paper presented by Jollands, S., Akroyd, C., & Swab, N. (2015, 8 July). *Management Controls, Framing and Overflowing: The Construction of a Boundary in Relation to Non-Transacting Parties* at the Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Accounting Conference, Stockholm, Sweden.

- Prof. Samantha Senaratne and Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne presented a paper titled "Diffusion of Integrated Reporting in the Sri Lankan context" at the Global Management Accounting Summit -2015, organized by the Institute of Certified Management Accountants of Sri Lanka, from 27th to 29th July 2015, held at Hotel Cinnamon Lakeside, Colombo.

- A course manual has been prepared for the course ACC 4327: Sustainability Management Accounting. This has been authored by Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne lecturer of the Department.

- A research paper titled "Environmental Management Accounting (EMA) for environmental management and organizational change: An eco-control approach", authored by Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne has been published in the Journal of

Accounting & Organizational Change [Vol. 11 Issue 3, pp. 362 – 383, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1108/JAOC-10-2013-0078>]. Co-author: Prof. (Dr). Ki-Hoon Lee

- Mr. A D NuwanGunarathna - The journal published by the Department of Accounting, “Journal of Accounting Panorama”, has now been added to the University Open Journal System and hence now available online [web link of the online journal <http://journals.sjp.ac.lk/index.php/joap>].
- Dr. D N Samudrage, published a research paper titled on "Impact of Change in Management on Organizational Performance: A Case Study on a Privatized Telecommunication Company in Sri Lanka", July, 2015, The Meijo Review, Japan.
- Dr M Susith J S K D Fernando published a research paper titled ‘CSR practices in Sri Lanka: An exploratory analysis’ in *Social Responsibility Journal* (VOL. 11 NO. 4 2015, pp. 868-892, © Emerald Group Publishing Limited, ISSN 1747-1117. DOI: 10.1108/SRJ-08-2013-0101). URL for the abstract is <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/SRJ-08-2013-0101> Social Responsibility Journal is a ‘B’ ranked journal according to the latest ABDC Journal Quality List.
- The Publication Committee of AFMA (Accounting and Financial Management Association) -2014 published a book on “e-waste Management in Sri Lanka” [ISBN 978-955-4908-29-1]. This book covers aspects such as; overview of the e-waste (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) issue, current status, and regulatory aspects, e-waste management in Sri Lanka and challenges and way forward. This book was edited by Mr. A D NuwanGunarathne.
- The paper titled “Professional perceptions on earnings management – the effect of demographic factors”, co-authored by Dr. RoshanAjward and Dr. WGS Kelum was jointly presented on 31st October 2015 and published in the conference proceedings in the 13th Management Accountants International Conference of the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Pakistan (ICMAP) held under the theme of *Responsible Leadership for Sustainable Economy* during 30th and 31st October 2015 in Bhurban, Murree, Pakistan. The paper was well received and due to the high interest and impact of findings on the accounting profession, the ICMAP requested the article to be published in the ICMAP’s journal: *Management Accountant Journal*.
- The Volume 2 of the ‘Journal of Accounting Panorama’ (ISSN No.: 2362-0609), the research journal published by the Department of Accounting, which was co-edited by Dr. RoshanAjward and Ms. TCMGMSS Cooray of the Department of Accounting

was published on 15th October 2015. In this Issue, there are four research articles, three on Corporate Governance and one on the Impact of the Implementation of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). In order to provide access to a wider readership, the journal is published as an e-journal and can be accessed via http://mgt.sjp.ac.lk/acc/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Panorama-2015-v1.01_e-book.pdf

- An article titled “Ownership concentration and degree of compliance with corporate governance best practices of public listed companies in Sri Lanka”, which was co-authored by Mr. GS Mapitiya of Department of Commerce, Dr. RoshanAjward and Prof. SamanthiSenaratne of Department of Accounting was published in the first issue of the first volume (Jan-June 2015) of the NSBM Journal of Management (ISSN #:2465-5643) published by the National School of Business Management (NSBM).
- Wijesinghe, D. &Samudrage, D., 2015 “Top Manager Orientation, Management Accounting Systems and Strategy Implementation: Evidence from the Sri Lankan Manufacturing Sector” NSBM Journal of Management, Vol. 1, No.1, January - June, 2015.
- Dr HarendraKariyawasampublished a research paper titled ‘Extent to which Management Controls Systems are used in the Sri Lankan Manufacturing Sector’ in *European International Journal of Science and Humanities* (VOL.1 NO. 10, December 2015, ISSN 2420-587X (Index Google Scholar). Website: www.eijsh.org.
- Following papers co-authored by Dr.RoshanAjward were presented on 8th December 2015 and published online in the Social Science Research Network (SSRN) platform in the 12th International Conference on Business Management (ICBM) – 2015 of the Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, which was held under the theme of *Future Sustainability, Governance and Ethics* during 7th and 8th December 2015.

Title of the Papers	Other Co-authors
1. Drivers of Corporate Voluntary Disclosures: Empirical Evidence from Sri Lankan Listed Companies	Prof. D.B.P H Dissabandara Mr. G K C Jeewantha
2. The Effect of Qualified Auditors' Report on Share Prices: Evidence from Listed Companies of Sri Lanka	Prof. D B P H Dissabandara Mr. D G A S Anulasiri
3. The Analysis of Degree and Impact of Demographic Factors on Financial Literacy in a Non-University Higher Education Institution in Sri Lanka	Prof. D B P H Dissabandara Mr. S SEdirisinghe Ms. S SSamarakkody

Develop and Update Resource Management and Administrative Systems (Resource Management)

- Department of Accounting received the academic membership from International Institute of Certified Public Accountants (IICPA) Thailand for the year 2015. This will help the Department to develop joint academic programmes, exchange of lecturers and published research papers in the International Publication of the IICPA. It also allows to use IICPA Logo for any academic purposes.
- Dr. W G S Kelum participated in the Opening Ceremony of Universities Alliance of the New Silk Road and Forum of Presidents of Universities on Silk Road, which was held at Xi'an Jiaotong University in China from 21st May to 25th May 2015
- Prof. Liyanaratchchi reviewed the proposal and provided comments for improving the proposal as well some suggestions to be considered later in the implementation stage. He also prepared a draft of the MPAcc Handbook.

Achievements

- Prof Samantha Senaratne was awarded in the Women for Governance, Professional & Career Women Award 2014/2015 at the Women in Management awards ceremony held on 26th June 2015 at Kingsbury Hotel for her exceptional leadership & achievements. This awarding ceremony was organized by Women in Management at the Ministry of Women Affairs.
- Dr A.A.J. Fernando and Mr. Dayananda Ambalangodage won the Champions of Mens' Double event for the university staff at the Badminton tournament organized by the university of Moratuwa Held on 27th June 2015
- Dr A.A.J. Fernando and Mr. Dayananda Ambalangodage won 1st Runners up of Open Mens' Double event for Veteran Category at the Badminton tournament organized by the Sri Lanka Navy and Held on 14th June 2015
- Mr. A D Nuwan Gunarathne received his membership as a Charter Member of the Toastmaster International at the First Charter Presentation and Installation Ceremony of the J'pura University Toastmasters Club, held on 22nd of July, 2015 at the University of Sri Jaywardenepura.
- Dr. Gayathri Gunatilake - Member of the Combined University Badminton team which became the Champions (A division) of the State Services Badminton Championship held on 8-9 September 2015.

Contribute to Community Development (Social Responsibility)

- Mr. A D NuwanGunarathne served as a Technical Committee Member of the CMA Excellence in Integrated Reporting Awards 2015, organized by the Institute of Certified Management Accountants of Sri Lanka. Mr. RoshanHerath, in assisting Mr. Nuwan, also served as an Assistant Technical Committee Member of this Award Scheme.
- Mr. A D NuwanGunarathne served as a guest reviewer of two papers of the Special issue of the Accounting Research Journal on the theme Advancing Sustainability Management Accounting in the Asia Pacific Region (Issue 1, Volume 29, 2016).
- Dr. W Hilary E Silva, contributed to the following activities during the month of July.
 - ✓ Chief Guest –Commerce Day, GampahaRatnawaleeBalika School on 03rd July
 - ✓ Conduct the workshop for marking examiners at Institute of Chartered Accountants - Sri Lanka
 - ✓ Chief Guest - Commerce DayMaha Maya Balika School Nugegoda
 - ✓ Advance Level Teacher Training program at Kalutara District 16th July
- The following lecturers of Department of Accounting participated as resource persons for seminars for G.C.E. (A/L) accounting teachers which were organized by the Ministry of Education during the 21st to 24th July, 2015.
 - ✓ Mr. B Y G Rathnasekara
 - ✓ Dr.HarendraKariyawasam
 - ✓ Mr.RangajeewaHerath
 - ✓ Mr.ChaturangaSandaruwan
- Dr. A H N Kariyawasam, Senior Lecturer, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Ordinary Level student seminar organised by VisakaVidyalaya, Colombo on 22nd September, 2015.
- Dr M Susith J S K D Fernando co-chaired two sessions of the International Conference on Multidisciplinary Approaches (iCMA) 2015, held on 18th and 19th September 2015 at the Golden Ross hotel, Boralesgamuwa.

- Dr M Susith J S K D Fernando served as a member of the committee of the International Conference on Multidisciplinary Approaches 2015, held on 18th and 19th September 2015 at the Golden Ross hotel, Boralessgamuwa.
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a panelist for the accounting and finance track on 28th August 2015 in the 04th International Conference on Management and Economics (ICME), which was held on 27th and 28th and organized by the Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Ruhuna.
- Dr. RoshanAjward has been nominated and appointed as a member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants' (ACCA) Global Forum for Ethics. The Global Forums has been created to contribute to ACCA's technical and research work on issues facing business and the accountancy profession. This Forum has initiated important and interesting discussions surrounding the world of ethics, and also provided valuable expert opinion to ACCA regarding consultation responses.
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a reviewer for the following research journals/ conferences:
 - Social Responsibility Journal, Emerald Group Publishing (2 articles)
 - Vidyodaya Journal of Management, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, University of Sri Jayewardenepura (1 article)
 - Colombo Business Journal – International Journal of Theory and Practice, Faculty of Management & Finance, University of Colombo (1 article)
 - NSBM Journal of Management, National School of Business Management (NSBM), Sri Lanka (2 articles)
- The following lecturers of Department of Accounting participated as resource persons for seminars for G.C.E. (A/L) accounting teachers which were organized by the Ministry of Education during the 20th to 23rd October, 2015.
 - Mr. B Y G Rathnasekara
 - Dr.HarendraKariyawasam
 - Mr.RangajeewaHerath
 - Mr.ChaturangaSandaruwan
- Dr. A A J Fernando, Participated as a resource person at a workshop organized by the UVA provincial council in Kalawewa on capacity building of Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service Officers on 10 -17 October 2015
- Dr. A H N Kariyawasam, Senior Lecturer, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Ordinary Level student seminar organised by Royal Collage, Colombo on 08th October, 2015 and St. Bridget Convent Colombo on 20th October 2015. For these seminars Students of respective colleges and other colleges from Colombo participated.

- Dr. W G S Kelum participated as a final panel of Judges for the Chartered Accountants Annual Report Awards Competition on 14th November 2015 at the CA Sri Lanka Members Lounge.
- Dr P A G Gunatilake served as a Pannel Member at the Doctoral Colloquium 2015 of the Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Colombo held on the 26th November 2015 at the Sri Lanka Foundation, Independence Square, Colombo 07.
- Dr. Hilary E Silva participated as a Guest of Honor and Dr. W.G.S.Kelum as an Examination Committee Chairman at the 12th CMA Sri Lanka Convocation at BMICH
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a panel member of the Accounting and Finance session of the Doctoral Colloquium - 2015 of the Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Colombo, which held on the 26th November 2015 at the Sri Lanka Foundation, Independence Square, Colombo 07.
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a Session Chair for Accounting track of the 10th International Research Conference on Management and Finance of the Faculty of Management and Finance, University of Colombo, which was held on 27th November 2015 at the Hotel Cinnamon Lakeside Colombo.
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a reviewer for the following research journals/ conferences:
12th International Conference on Business Management (ICBM) – 2015
Social Responsibility Journal, Emerald Group Publishing
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a resource person in the “Workshop to Improve the Quality of Grades 07 and 11 New Textbooks Compiled for 2016” held by the Educational Publications Department on 3rd and 4th September 2015 at the Institute for Constructions Training and Development (CHPB/ICTAD), Pelawatta.
- Dr. RoshanAjward contributed as a resource person for the workshop arranged on the “Syllabus Revision – Masters of Entrepreneurship program” on 18th December 2015 organized by the Department of Entrepreneurship, University of Sri Jayewardenepura

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- Alumni Association of Accounting (AAA) of the Department of Accounting (DA) held a ceremony to felicitate its founder, Emirates Professor M.W. Wickramarachchi at Committee Room A of BMICH on 15.10.2015. To coincide with the event, AAA launched 'Professor M.W. Wickramarachchi Student Development Fund' for the benefit of present and future generations of students of the DA. This fund, built through the contributions of alumni members of DA will be utilised for skill development and welfare activities of undergraduates of the Department. Further, the AAA website was also officially launched at this ceremony. The key note speech of the ceremony was delivered by Prof. Narada Warnasooriya, former vice chancellor of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. This event was also attended by Dean of the Faculty of Management Studies & Commerce (FMSC), Dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences, Librarian and staff members of DA along with a large gathering of alumni members.