

## Progress Report of the Department of Accounting for 2018

### 1. Learning & Education

#### Scholarships to Second year students

Alumini Association of Accounting Awarded 10 needy students of Year II of Department of Accounting a monthly scholarship of Rs.2,500. These scholarships will be awarded during their Year II academic year.

Further 13 needy students of Department of Accounting were awarded scholarships to follow business level classes at Inspiro Business School, Nugegoda from January 2018.

Ms. Dinushi Wijesinghe and Mr P DC Udayashantha Coordinated this Scholarship programme.

Workshops and Guest Lectures of ACC 3341: Corporate Reporting

The following workshops and guest lectures were conducted as an integral component of ACC 3341: Corporate Reporting.

Date	Workshop/Guest Lecture	Resource Persons
17.01.2018	<p>Workshop on Sri Lankan Case Study on Sustainability and Integrated Reporting:</p> <p>The Commercial Bank of Sri Lanka presented its sustainability and integrated reporting model. Under which the following areas were covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The business model and strategy</li> <li>• Data capturing and analysis process for sustainability and integrated reporting</li> <li>• Integrated reporting and integrated thinking</li> </ul>	<p>Mr Prasana Indrajith (AGM, Finance, Commercial Bank)</p> <p>Mr M P Dharmasiri (Head, Finance, Commercial Bank)</p> <p>Ms Nirosha Dilhani (Sustainability Reporting Team, Member, Commercial Bank )</p> <p>Mr Gayan Rathnaskera (Sustainability Reporting Team, Member, Commercial Bank)</p>
21.02.2018	<p>Guest lecture on Financial Reporting in Public Sector Organisations:</p> <p>Governing rules of public sector organisations and implications of</p>	<p>Mrs. K.T.C. Priyangani Bursar, University of Sri Jayewardenepura</p>

	financial reporting, financial management and accountability, budgeting, internal and external audits, financial controls, Auditor General's role and responsibility, Parliamentary Committees – COPA and COPE	
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Dr. A A J Fernando, attended a workshop organized by the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Governments on “on Strategic Leadership for Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals” from 19-20 May 2018 at Blue Water hotel Wadduwa (Reported May 2018)

Dr. A H G K Karunaratne completed Doctor of Philosophy in Management at the Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan, The People's Republic of China, on June 19, 2018.

The third year students of B.Sc. Accounting (Special) Degree Programme carried out a project under the theme ‘Integrated Reporting in Corporate Sector in Sri Lanka’ as a compulsory requirement of the course ACC 3341 Corporate Reporting. This project carried out as teams and each team carried out an in-depth examination of the integrated reporting by a listed company focusing on the following areas.

- Business model and how the value created is depicted through the capitals identified in the IIRC Framework
- Sustainability policy and strategies, and how they have been integrated into the business model
- Assessment of impacts of external environment on current performance and future prospectus
- Governance model including risk management mechanisms and how it complements the value creation process
- Assurance on sustainability and non-financial reporting
- Compliance with the guiding principles of the IIRC Framework on IR

The outcomes of the study were presented by the students in a forum organized in the Department. Most teams presented the findings of the study using creative methods such as dramas, role plays and business discussions.

### **A Orientation Session under the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants**

An Orientation Session was held under the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants of the B.Sc. Accounting (Special) Degree program on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm at SBTF 2 lecture hall for the Second-Year undergraduates of the Department of Accounting. The main objective was to explain and familiarize about the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants, with an emphasis on the component of ‘Internship in Accounting and Finance’ Senior Prof. Samanthi Senaratne (the Overall Coordinator of the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants of the Department of Accounting) and Dr. Roshan Ajward (the Coordinator of the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants of the Department of Accounting – Degree Part III) contributed as resource persons with the assistance of Mr. Chaturanga Sandaruwan, Ms. Radhika Ponnampereuma, Ms. Thilni Cooray, Ms. Amali Henadirage, and its student body - Accountancy and Financial Management Association (AFMA) and its Internship Committee.

### **Mentoring Session under the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants**

A Mentoring Session was held under the Skill Development Program of Intern Accountants of the B.Sc. Accounting (Special) Degree program on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm at the Prof. Munasinghe Auditorium for the Second-Year undergraduates of the Department of Accounting. This mentoring session was conducted with the objective of making the second-year undergraduates aware of the opportunities available for internship, challenges faced during the internship program and how to meet these challenges successfully.

Following resource persons contributed for the mentoring session, and all of them are illustrious members of the alumni of the Department of Accounting. Dr Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting, graced the occasion.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation and Organization</b>
1. Mr. Mr. Pushpika Janadheera	Director Operations of Dipped Products PLC (Responsible for the entire operations of SL & Thailand manufacturing facilities)
2. Ms. Shermila Rajapaksha	Founder & Managing Director of The Biz Clinic Pvt Ltd (A Corporate Consultancy Firm) A Training Partner at Adventure Education SL
3. Mr. Dhammika Gunasekara	Resident Partner - Ernst & Young, Kandy
4. Mr. Ruwan Senevirathne	General Manager - Finance of Stretchline (Pvt)

After the speeches of resource persons, a panel discussion was carried out with the participation of above mentioned resource persons as panelists, which was moderated by Senior Prof. Samantha Senaratne. The Department appreciates Dr. Roshan Ajward for coordinating this forum with the assistance of Mr. Chaturanga Sandaruwan, Ms. Radhika Ponnaperuma, Ms. Thilni Cooray, Ms. Amali Henadirage, and student body of the Department.

### **Corporate Sustainability Accounting - Field Visit**

The third year students who are following ACC 3348: Corporate Sustainability Accounting course, visited the Stretchline (Pvt) Ltd. on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018 to experience the sustainable practices in the apparel sector. These group of students were accompanied by the lecturers of the Department, Ms. Dinushi Wijesinghe and Ms. Thilini Cooray.

Dr. A A J Fernando participated in a workshop on Intellectual Property Law in Sri Lanka organized by Innovation Invention and Venture Creation Council of University of Sri Jayewardenepura, held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando contributed as a Resource person to conduct a WS on curriculum revision on Industrial Management degree program organized by University of Vocational Technology, Sri Lanka on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Dr. T C M G M S S Cooray completed Doctor of Philosophy (Multi-Disciplinary) (Knowledge Claims and Work Related Jurisdictional Claims: The Case of CIMA in Sri Lanka) at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka, in 2018.

### **Sessions on internship opportunities, introduction and mentoring**

Thirteen sessions on internship opportunities, introduction and mentoring were held by the following renowned internship providers for the Second-Year undergraduates of the Department of Accounting:

1. Ernst & Young Sri Lanka
2. KPMG Sri Lanka
3. Nihal Hettiarachchi & Company
4. BDO Partners
5. BR De Silva & Company
6. Navaloka Hospitals PLC
7. PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC)
8. HSBC - HHS

9. MAS Holdings
10. Hatton National Bank
11. Moody's Analytics Knowledge Services
12. Bank of Ceylon
13. Deloitte Sri Lanka (SJMS Associates)
14. SCB Corporate

These sessions were graced by key personnel such as country managers, partners and directors of the respective training organizations, and were facilitated by number of resource persons. The topics delivered under these sessions included: expectations of internship 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. The Department expresses its gratitude for all the delegates who took part in these sessions.

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 sessions with the assistance of Ms. Amali Henadirage and Mr. H.M.T.G.C. Sandaruwan and its student body - Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA). Furthermore, the department appreciates the valuable support extended by Dr Harendra Kariyawasam, the Head of the Department, Dr Athula Manawaduage, Dr. Kelum Gamage, Mr. BYG Rathnasekara, Ms. Thilini Cooray and Ms. Radhika Ponnaperuma for making these sessions a success.

## **2. Research & Development (Provide details relating to Research, Creativity, Innovation, Publication Engagement)**

Mr A D Nuwan Gunarathne served as a guest reviewer of a paper submitted to the *Journal of Accounting and Organizational Change* of Emerald Publishing.

Mr A D Nuwan Gunarathne served as a reviewer of the edited book on “Innovation for Sustainability: Business transformations towards a better world” by Bocken, N., Ritala, P., Albareda, L. and Verburg, R. published by Palgrave Macmillan, UK.

The final year students who are following ACC 4327: Sustainability Management Accounting course visited the Cinnamon Citadel Hotel, Kandy on 12th January 2018 to get an exposure on the sustainability practices. These group of students were accompanied by the lecturers of the Department, Ms. Dinushi Wijesinghe and Ms. Thilini Cooray.

A book chapter authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne on “Developing Graduate Competence in Sustainability Management: The Case of an Accountancy Programme in Sri Lanka” has been published in Flynn, P M, Tan, T K & Gudić, M, (2018) (Eds.), *Redefining Success: Integrating the UN Global Compact into Management Education*, Routledge, Oxon, UK. pp. 86-96. ISBN 9781783535484.

A paper entitled “THE EFFECTS OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING STANDARDS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES – STUDY ON SRI LANKA” co-authored by Prof. Prem W.S. Yapa, Prof. E. Dayaratne, Dr. Dileepa Samudrage and Dr. Roshan Ajward has been accepted for presentation in a RESEARCH FORUM (RF) at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Congress of the European Accounting Association from 30<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 in Milan.

A research article titled ‘A Study of Cost and Management Accounting Practices in Sri Lanka’s Manufacturing Industry’ was published by Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam in International Journal of Recent Advances in Multidisciplinary Research, Volume 05, Issue 03, March, 2018.

A research article titled ‘Corporate governance and postcolonialism: the experience of Sri Lanka’ was published by Dr. Athula Manawaduge in International Journal of Corporate Governance, Volume 09, No. 2, 2018.

A book chapter authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne & Ms W T Y Cooray on “Sustainable Management Accounting Systems for Small and Medium-Sized Businesses” has been published in Carvalho, L C. & Truant, E. (2018) (Eds.) *Maintaining Sustainable Accounting Systems in Small Business*. IGI Global, USA. pp. 302-325. <https://www.igi-global.com/book/maintaining-sustainable-accounting-systems-small/187280>, [ISBN13: 9781522552673 ISBN10: 1522552677 EISBN13: 9781522552680] DOI: 10.4018/978-1-5225-5267-3.

A book chapter authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne and Prof. Samanthi Senaratne on “Country readiness in adopting Integrated Reporting: A Diamond Theory approach from an Asian Pacific economy” has been published in Lee, K H. and Schaltegger S. (2018) (Eds.), *Accounting for Sustainability: Asia Pacific Perspectives*, Springer, Netherlands, pp. 39-66. DOI: [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-70899-7\\_3](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-70899-7_3)

Dr. A A J Fernando, presented a paper, “ Foreign Direct Investment and Effect of Economic Growth to become a Financial Center in the South Asian Region” at “Logistics Conference-2018” organized by Sri Lanka Navy and held in Trincomalee on 25 May 2018(Reported May 2018)

Senior Professor D S N P Senaratne made a presentation on “The Quality of Integrated Reporting: An Empirical Investigation” at Global Management Accounting Conference -2018 held on the theme “Integrated Reporting –Future of Corporate Reporting”, Colombo, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

The paper co-authored by Senior Professor D S N P Senaratne under the title “The Level of Corporate Governance Mechanisms in Sri Lanka in terms of Owner Governance and Lender Governance” was presented at the British Academy of Management (BAM) Corporate Governance Conference, UK in June 2018.

An interview given by Senior Professor D S N P Senaratne was published under the title “Integrated Reporting is for All Stakeholders of a Company”, in *Certified Management Accountant*”, Vol.5, No.3, July 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando, wrote a research chapter on the title of “EARNINGS MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN COMMERCIAL BANKS LISTED AT THE COLOMBO STOCK EXCHANGE: EVIDENCE FROM SRI LANKA” in a Monograph Book under the theme of “Defining the Frontiers of Global Business Research Across Emerging Countries” published by Mc Graw Hill Education (India) Private Limited, Chennai, 2018 (ISBN(13): 978-93-5316-106-4, (10):93-5316-106-1), pages 1-1.

Dr. A A J Fernando, was awarded the best paper for the paper titled “Foreign Direct Investment and Potential for Economic Growth: Prerequisites for Sri Lanka to be Attractive” presented at 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand.

Dr. A A J Fernando, was awarded “2018 AGBA DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR” presented at 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand.

Fernando, A.A.J., presented a concept paper, “ Foreign Direct Investment and Potential for Economic Growth: Prerequisites for Sri Lanka to be Attractive (2018) ” at 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand, Conference Proceedings.

Fernando, A.A.J., presented a concept paper (Kaluarachchi, D.G.P., and Mallawarachchi, R. – co-authors), “Impact of Financial Leverage on Firms’ Performance: Evidence from Sri Lankan Listed Companies (2018)” at 15th World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand, Conference Proceedings.

Dr. A A J Fernando, chaired a session on “ Finance” at Academy for Global Business Advancement at 15th Annual World Congress (AGBA) held from 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand.

Dr. A A J Fernando, chaired a session on “ Accounting” at Academy for Global Business Advancement at 15th Annual World Congress (AGBA) held from 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand.

Mr A D Nuwan Gunarathne served as a guest reviewer of papers submitted to the *Sustainability Accounting, Management and Policy Journal* of Emerald Publishing and *Asian Journal of Sustainability and Social Responsibility* of Springer Publishing.

A paper co-authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne on “The usefulness of Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting (EMA) for corporate sustainability management in developed and developing countries: a comparative study between Australia and Sri Lanka” was presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Conference of the Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting Network (EMAN), in Liège, Belgium held on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2017. Co-authors: Lee, K-H. and Herold, D.M.

Herath, H M R W, presented a concept paper “The Impact of Integrated Reporting on Value Creation for Shareholders: Moderating Effect of Board Effectiveness: Case of Sri Lanka (2018),” at 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand, Conference Proceedings.



Dr, S M C P Seneviratne, presented a concept paper “A shifting between enabling and coercive controls: Budgeting as a practice at University, A field study (2018),” at 15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of AGBA held at NIDA on 2-4 July 2018, Bangkok, Thailand, Conference Proceedings.

A book chapter co-authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne on “Building a sustainable food supply chain and managing food losses” was published In Kumar, M.V, Putnik, G.D., Jayakrishna, K., Pillai, V.M., and Varela, L. (Eds.) (2018) *Emerging Applications in Supply Chains for Sustainable Business Development*, IGI Global, Hershey PA, USA. pp. 261-281. DOI: 10.4018/978-1-5225-5424-0.ch015. Coauthors: Navaratne, D.G., Gunaratne, M.L.S., Pakianathan, A.E. and Perera, Y.T.

A book chapter co-authored by Mr A D N Gunarathne on “Sustainable food supply chain management: An integrated framework and practical perspectives” has been published in Qudrat-Ullah H. (Ed) *Innovative Solutions for Sustainable Supply Chains. Understanding Complex Systems*. Springer, Cham. pp. 289-315. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-94322-0\\_11](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-94322-0_11). Co-authors: Navaratne, D.G., Pakianathan, A.E. and Perera, Y.T.

Department won the 3<sup>rd</sup> place for achieving the highest number of citations in the Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce at the Annual Research awards 2017 which was held on 03<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018.

Senior Professor K D Gunawardana, Senior Professor D S N P Senaratne, Dr. A A J Fernando, Dr. A H N Kariyawasam, and Mr. A D N Gunaratne received awards for their excellent performance in the field of research.

Specially, Senior Professor K D Gunawardana won the first place for the highest number citation in FMSC.

The proposal titled “Adoption of Sustainability Reporting (SR) and Integrated Reporting (IR) and Organizational Transformation: Perspectives from Sri Lanka” submitted by the research team comprising Senior Professor Samanthi Senaratne (Team Leader), and Senior Lecturers Dr Dileepa Samudrage and Mr Nuwan Gunerathne was awarded a Development Oriented Research (DOR) HEMS Project Grant under the Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development Operation (AHEAD) on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Senior Professor Samanthi Senaratne served as a reviewer of papers submitted to the International Research Symposium on Social Sciences and Humanities (IRSSH) 2018, National Centre for Advancement of Social Sciences (NCAS), Ministry of Higher Education.

Senior Prof. K.D. Gunawardana and Mr A D N Gunarathne presented a paper on “Factors Affecting the Hazardous Waste Management Practices in Heavy Industries: Evidence from Sri Lanka” at the 10<sup>th</sup> Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting Network Asia Pacific (EMAN-AP) Conference held at Kasetsart University in Bangkok from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018. Co-author: Dr. Jayasinghe, R. P. C. K.

Mr A D N Gunarathne presented a paper on “Environmental Management Maturity Stages and Environmental Management Accounting” at the 10<sup>th</sup> Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting Network Asia Pacific (EMAN-AP) Conference held at Kasetsart University in Bangkok from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018. Co-author: Lee, K-H.

Mr A D N Gunarathne received the “Best Paper Award” at the 10<sup>th</sup> Environmental and Sustainability Management Accounting Network Asia Pacific (EMAN-AP) Conference 2018, held at Kasetsart University in Bangkok, Thailand for the paper titled *Environmental Management Maturity Stages and Environmental Management Accounting*. This was awarded by Springer. Co-author: Lee, K-H.

### **3. People: Academics & Non-academics**

#### **4. Infrastructure: Organizational structures, Resource Administration & Development**

- 4.1 Dr. A A J Fernando, appointed as an external Faculty board member to the Faculty of Training Technology of the University of Vocational Training from May 2018 to May 2021 (Reported May 2018)

#### **5. Outstanding Student Experience**

A Team of second year students of the Department of Accounting won championship of the first ever financial hackathon, FinHack 2018, organized by ACCA Sri Lanka on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2018 held at Hilton Colombo Residencies. The team consist of Dihan Udugampola, Mark Gunathilake, Oshani Namalge and Thilakshi Vidhanaarachchi, The competition consisted of 10 teams including both key universities and corporate bodies who were required to provide constructive solutions for real world problems face by two companies.

'Chaturmaana - 2018', was an inter-university talent competition organized by second year students of the Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA) of the Department of Accounting, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce (FMSC), University of Sri Jayewardenepura. 'Chaturmaana - 2018' is the first ever inter-university competition that provided a platform for the

undergraduates with diverse talents to step beyond the academic framework and experience the magical taste of aesthetics. This event would turn out to be a gateway that unifies the university student body in the country, by enhancing amiable understanding, mutual respect and coexistence among undergraduates. Final competition of this talent show was held on 30th August 2018 at National Youth Centre, Maharagama with the presence of Senior Prof. Sampath Amaratunge, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head and the staff of the Department of Accounting, academic and non-academic members of the university, Alumni of the Department, undergraduates of the university and undergraduates from different universities of Sri Lanka. Winner of the competition was University of Colombo while University of Sri Jayewardenepura and Wayamba University emerged First Runners Up and Second Runners Up respectively.

## **6. Lifelong Community, Social Responsibility, National Contribution & Global/Regional Impact**

Mr. M A N Rangajeewa Herath, Senior Lecturer, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Advanced Level student seminar at Girls' High School – Mount-lavinia on 22<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando conducted a seminar in Accounting for GCE Advanced Level students organized by and held in Sabaragamuwa University, January 18, 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando conducted a seminar in Accounting for GCE Advanced Level students organized by the Methodist College on, March 02, 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando attended a workshop on “Project Pipeline and Programmatic Preparatory Facility (PPPF) held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at the Ministry of Finance and Mass Media to review the readiness and preparation of General Education Modernization Project (GEM)

Dr. A A J Fernando attended a workshop on “SYSTEMATIC TRACKING OF EXCHANGES IN PROCUREMENT” (STEP) conducted by the World Bank Colombo office in connection with the education project on 13 March 2018

Dr. A A J Fernando conducted a workshop for employees of Lanka Sathosa Limited on "How employees can market themselves with emerging trends in the industry" at Laya Beach Resort Wadduwa on March 01, 2018.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Advanced Level student seminar at Mayurapada Central College - Narammala on 02<sup>nd</sup> March, 2018.

Following lecturers of Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to the workshop on Setting a prototype paper and paper structure of GCE Advanced Level Examination held in and after 2019. The workshop held on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at Center for Banking Studies – Rajagiriya.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam

Prof. Samanthi Senaratne

Dr. Hilary E. Silva

Mr. P D C Udayashantha

Mr. Rangajeewa Herath

Following lecturers of Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to the workshops on Setting a prototype paper of GCE Advanced Level Examination-2019. These workshops held at Research & Development Branch of Department of Examination, Pelawatta.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam (06<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 & 05<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018)

Prof. Samanthi Senaratne (06<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018)

Dr. Hilary E. Silva (06<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 & 05<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018)

Mr. P D C Udayashantha (06<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, & 05<sup>th</sup> and 09<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018)

Mr. Rangajeewa Herath (06<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of March, & 05<sup>th</sup> and 09<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018)

Mr. Rangajeewa Herath, Senior Lecturer, Department of Accounting participated as the Chief Guest of Commerce Day 2018 of Vidyarathana Vishwa Vidya Peetaya, Horana on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Advanced Level student seminar at Southland Balika Vidyalaya, Galle on 08<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

Mr.H.M.R.W. Herath, Participated as a resource person for a GCE Advanced Level Teacher Training Programme organized by the Ministry of Education for the Teachers from the Western Province on 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2017.

Mr. H M Roshan W Herath, Lecturer, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Advanced Level student seminar at Bandaranayake Central College – Weyangoda on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

#### Pirith Chanting Ceremony

Pirith Chanting ceremony of Department of Accounting was held at the Department premises on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Following lecturers of Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to the workshop on writing a text book for ‘Accounting’ to cover the syllabus of GCE Advanced Level Examination. The workshop held on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 at Education Publication Branch, Ministry of Education, Pelawatta.

Dr. A R Ajward

Mr. M A N Rangajeewa Herath

Mr. H M Roshan W Herath

Senior Professor D S N P Senaratne served as a Member, Panel of Judges of CMA Excellence in Integrated Reporting Awards 2108.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting participated as the resource person to GCE Advanced Level student seminar at Rathnawali Balika Maha Vidyalaya - Maradana on 06<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting participated as a member of the Panel of Judges, of the 'CMA Research Paper Presentation 2018' that was held on 04th July 2018 at The Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel, Colombo.

Accounting and Financial Management Association (AFMA) of Department of Accounting launched the revised edition of Panaroma – 2018 on 16th July 2018, which includes the articles relevant G C E Advanced Level Commerce stream students authored by the academic staff of the Department of Accounting.

Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Head, Department of Accounting participated as the Chief Guest of Arts and Commerce Day 2018 at St. Joseph's College - Negombo on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando participated as a chief Guest at the Annual Prize giving ceremony of the Sixth Pope Paul Maha Vidyalaya Katana held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Dr. A A J Fernando conducted a **seminar** for Advanced level **students** for the Accounting subject organized by the Hambantota Zonal Education office on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dr. A A J Fernando conducted a **workshop** for Advanced level **teachers** for the Accounting subject organized by the Kegalle Zonal Education office on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dr. A.A. J. Fernando was the Chief Guest at the Commerce Day Ceremony organized by St John's College Nugegoda held on 26 October 2018

Dr. Hilary E Silva, participates as a Key Note Speaker "International Accounting Day" organized by the CMA Sri Lanka on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.

Senior Professor Samanthi Senaratne served as a Member, Panel of Judges of the Annual Report Awards Competition 2018 of Chartered Institute of Accountants of Sri Lanka (CA Sri Lanka). This was held on 10th November 2018.

Senior Professor Samanthi Senaratne served as the Chairman, Panel of Judges of the debate competition organised by the Chartered Institute of Accountants of Sri Lanka (CA Sri Lanka) for its members and students to commemorate the World Accounting Day. This was held on 13th November 2018.

## **7. Any other matters**

The Department of Accounting signed a Memorandum of Understanding with a globally acclaimed firm of Chartered Accountants, SJMS Associates (An affiliate to Deloitte Tohmatsu LLP India) on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2018. The event was graced by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sampath Amaratunge, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Dean, Dr. U. Anura Kumara, Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, Head, Dr. Harendra Kariyawasam, Department of Accounting, Coordinator-Internship Programme, Prof. Samanthi Senaratne and Deputy Coordinator- Internship Programme, Dr. A.J. Ajward. The

Managing Partner, Mr. M Basheer Ismail, Partner, Mr. M S J Henry and Head of Human Resources, Mr. Surani S. Wijewardena, represented the SJMS Associates.