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*Thriving on Challenges:
Building Resilience*

This report contains information about the University of Kelaniya for the year 2023. It uses the integrated reporting approach and covers strategy, university governance performance, and prospects of the University from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

The report contains information on students, postgraduate production, human resources, research development and innovations, awards and achievements, sporting activities and achievements, welfare facilities, Infrastructure development projects, Activities, and Research on the Sustainable Development Goals and Financial Statements. The data and information provided in this report have been collected from the administrative divisions and academic departments, units, and centers of the University of Kelaniya. The report is compiled by the Center for Strategic Planning and University Statistics and the Research and Publications Division of the University of Kelaniya in accordance with the guidelines of the Ministry of Education, Sri Lanka.

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VISION

To become a centre of excellence
in the creation and dissemination
of knowledge for sustainable
development.



MISSION

To nurture intellectual citizens
through creativity and innovation, who
contribute to national development.



GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Goal 01:

To create a high-quality and flexible teaching and learning environment.

Objectives

- To provide students with high quality educational programs.
- To enhance the accessibility of the university to a diverse student population, including students with special needs and those from other countries to the university.
- To increase the employability of graduates from the university.
- To develop relationships with employers to help graduates achieve gainful and timely employment.
- To create and maintain a culture that supports teaching excellence in all study programs.
- To promote the health and well-being of students.
- To enhance international opportunities for student learning.
- To improve infrastructure facilities.

Goal 02:

To develop the highest quality faculty and staff to attain the strategic goals of the University.

Objectives

- To develop and implement a plan for Human Resource in the university.
- To recruit and retain the highest quality of academic, administrative and non-academic staff.
- To create a safe and healthy work environment for all employees of the university.
- To create learning opportunities and to increase support (financial) for all categories of staff to obtain relevant requisite academic or professional qualifications.

Goal 03:

To create a multi-disciplinary research culture of global standing.

Objectives

- Develop a research culture in the University by increasing the number of research projects and allocate at least 10% from the University capital budget as research grants.
- To improve the university rank in world university rankings.
- Increase publications in local and international refereed/ indexed academic journals.
- Increase interdisciplinary research.
- Strengthen the University e-library system.
- Promote public-private partnership in research and in development and commercialization of new products.

Goal 04:

To improve the image of the university by widening the range of economic and social engagements.

Objectives

- To increase the number of consultancy services/ projects provided by the university to the community.
- To increase the number of supportive services for national development.
- To increase the links with professional bodies, industry, social organizations and other stakeholders.
- To increase Social Responsibility Activities.
- To improve the image of the university.
- To increase awareness of the study programs offered by the university.
- To enhance the social and intercultural harmony.
- To enhance the concept of Green University.

Goal 05:

To develop an excellent system of governance through efficient and effective administration and financial management.

Objectives

- To develop an efficient system of governance.
- To incorporate modern technology to enhance the efficiency of the administration.
- To develop a Financial Administration System which is timely, responsive and accurate, while assuring the integrity and promoting accountability in order to optimize utilization of resources.



Senior Professor Nilanthi De Silva
Vice-Chancellor, University of Kelaniya

THE MESSAGE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

“The focus for next year is to enhance postgraduate enrollment, attract more foreign students, and expedite digitalization.”

In 2023, the University of Kelaniya made significant strides in academic excellence, enrollment, and infrastructure development. The university enrolled nearly 10,000 new students, with 4,103 undergraduates registered through the UGC and 3,546 through the CDCE for external degrees. New postgraduate enrollment, including diplomas, master's, and doctoral degrees, reached 2,317.

The university awarded degrees over 8,000 students in 2023, efforts are ongoing to streamline the release of examination results and convocation processes. Looking ahead to 2024, there is a commitment to maintaining bachelor's degree enrollments and a strategic focus on increasing postgraduate and foreign student numbers.

As a leading state university, our commitment to excellence is unwavering. In 2023, we passed a major milestone in the development of our university, as we were listed, for the very first time, in the 1501+ category of the prestigious Times Higher Education World University Rankings for research-intensive universities. The University of Kelaniya is now listed in several other international rankings as well: in the 601 – 800 category of the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings which focuses on the UN Sustainable Development Goals; in the 551 – 600 category of the QS Asia Rankings; in the UI Green Metrics, which ranks universities' commitment to the environment, the University of Kelaniya ranks in 1st place among the Sri Lankan universities, and at #226 internationally.

Infrastructure development is progressing well, with the Faculty of Computing and Technology building near completion and the Colombo North Centre for Liver Disease in the Faculty of Medicine at Ragama set to provide state-of-the-art services. Funding constraints were overcome by generous donations, highlighting community support.

Despite challenges, the university remains resilient, with ongoing construction projects and plans for the next decade incorporated in a Master Plan drawn up by a team of consultants from the University of Moratuwa. The focus includes improving facilities, addressing space constraints, and embracing digital transformation for enhanced efficiency and infrastructure.

I extend my sincere appreciation to all the members of the academic, executive, academic support, and non-academic staff who worked enthusiastically and tirelessly, with selfless dedication, during an extremely challenging period to make 2023 another successful year for the University of Kelaniya.

Senior Professor Nilanthi De Silva
Vice-Chancellor,
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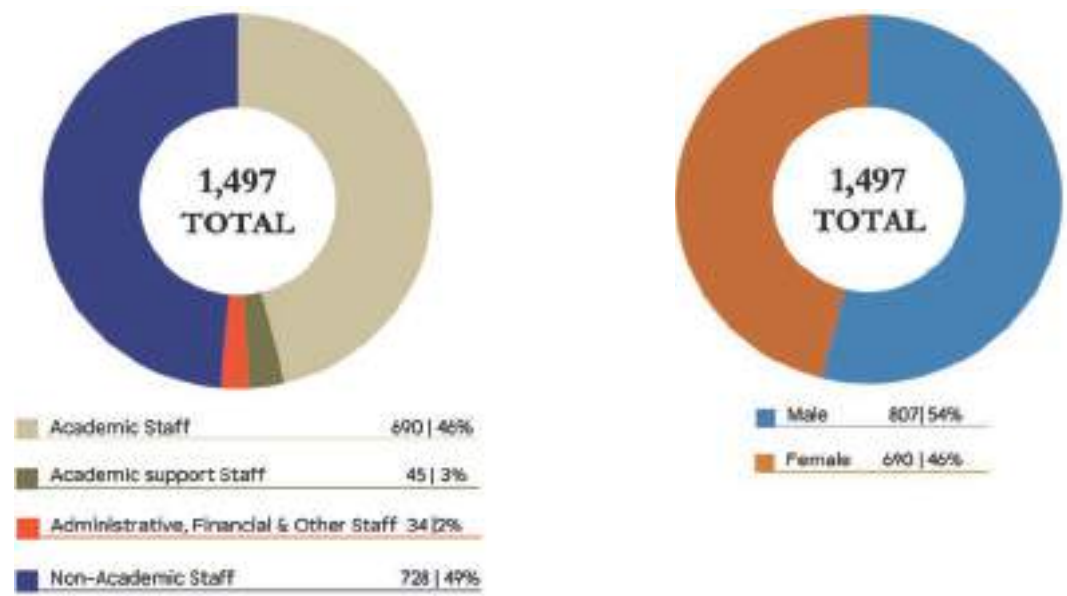


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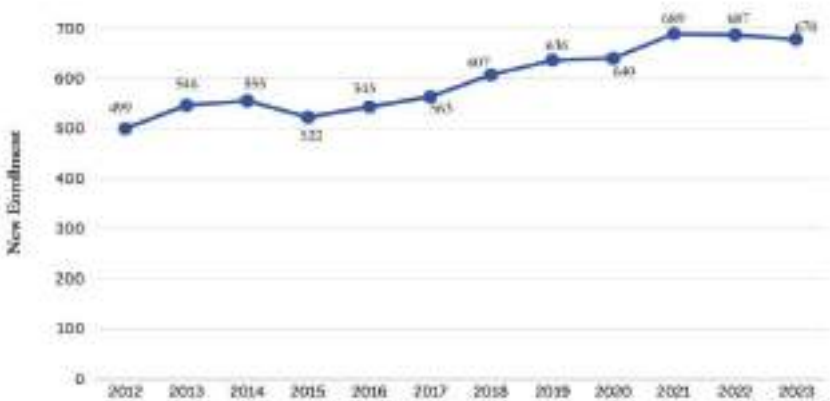


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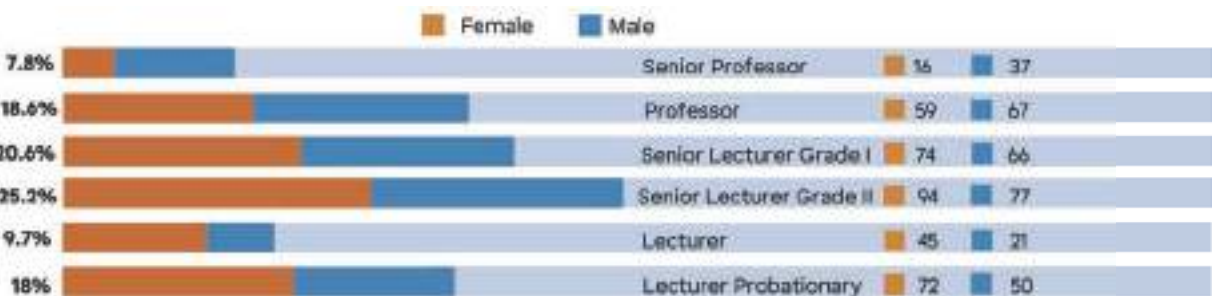


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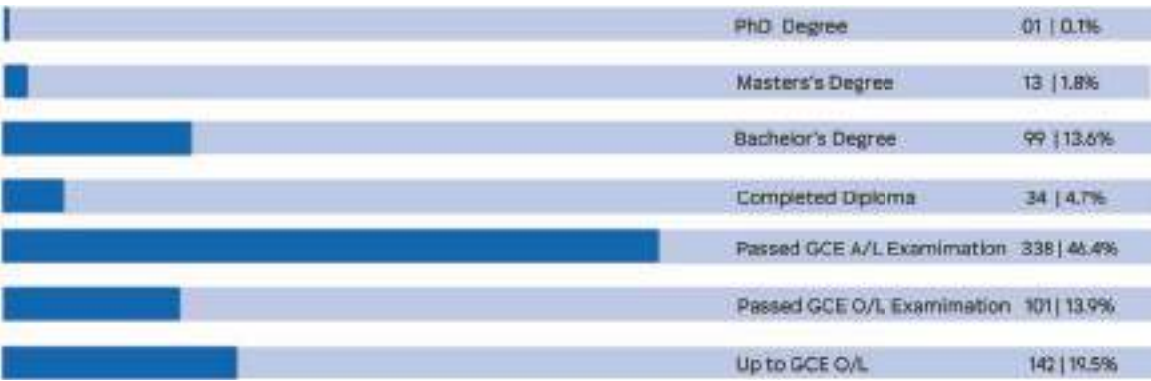


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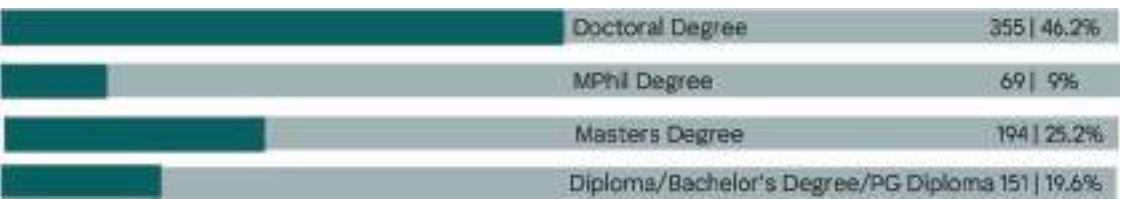


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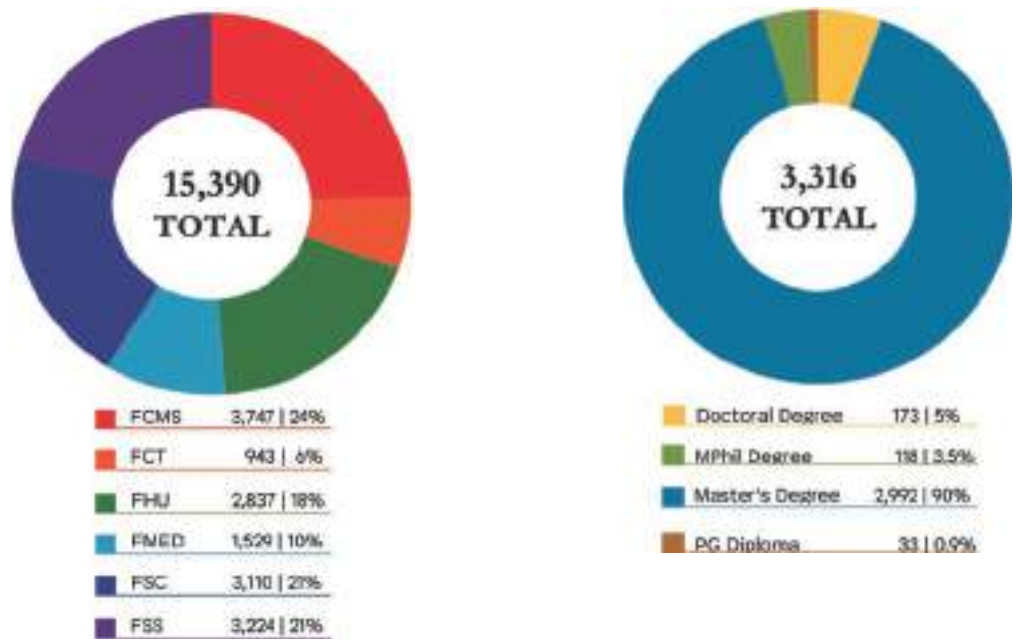


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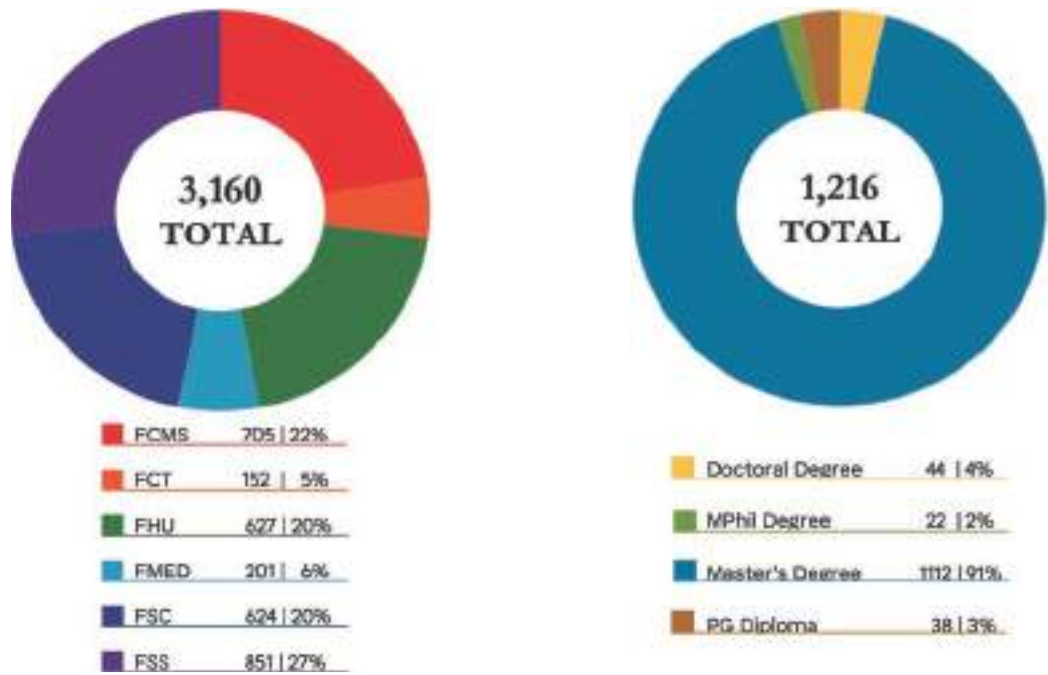


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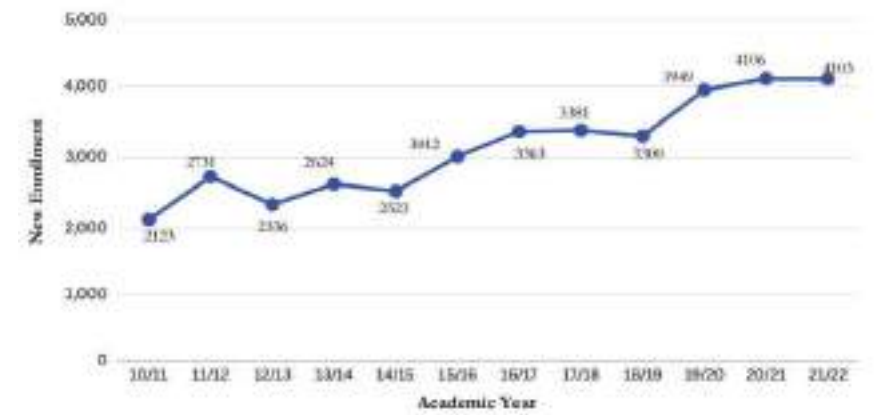


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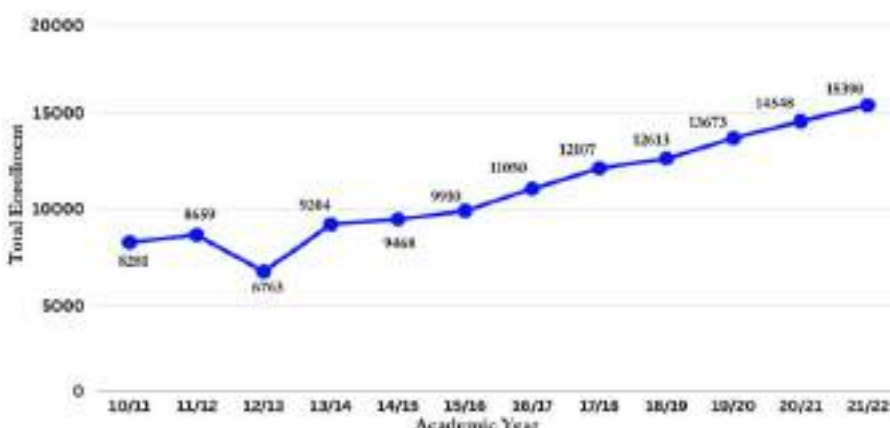


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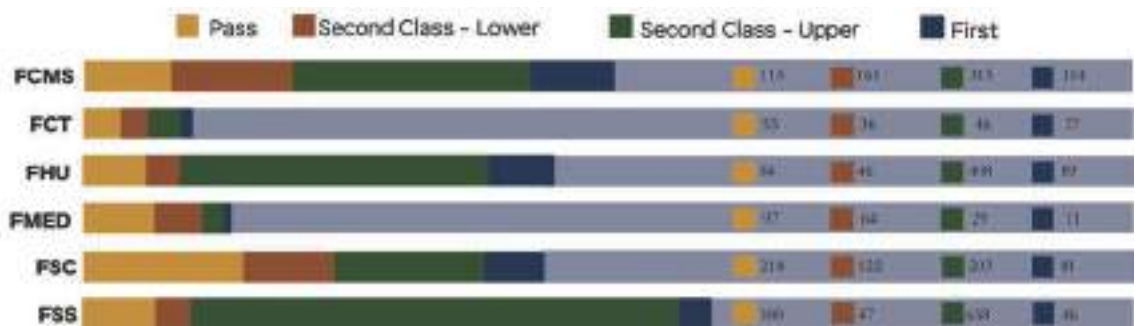


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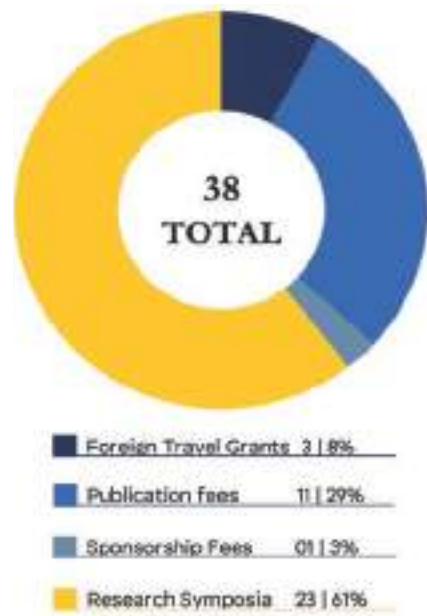


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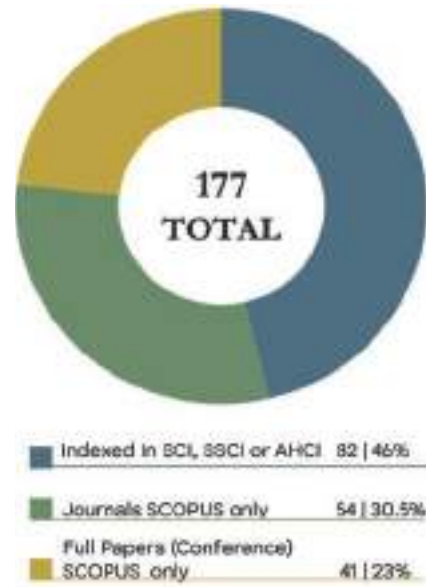


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1 INTRODUCTION

The University of Kelaniya has its origins in the historic Vidyalankara Pirivena, founded in 1875 by Ratmalane Sri Dharmaloka Thero as a center of learning for Buddhist monks. With the establishment of modern universities in Sri Lanka in the 1940s and 1950s, the Vidyalankara Pirivena became the Vidyalankara University in 1959, later the Vidyalankara Campus of the University of Ceylon in 1972, and, ultimately, the University of Kelaniya in 1978.

The University has seven Faculties including 58 academic departments, four other academic units, and two affiliated institutes, namely the Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies and the Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology.

The Faculties of Commerce & Management Studies, Graduate Studies, Humanities, Science, and Social Sciences are in the main premises of the University in Dalugama, while the Faculty of Medicine is located in Ragama. The Faculty of Computer and Technology has now been moved to a new building complex at Bulugaha junction, Kelaniya.

In terms of other facilities, the main library of the University, the Medical Centre, the Department of Physical Education, the main Information and Communication Technology Centre, and the Central Administration Divisions are also located in the main campus. Moreover, the Bhikkhu hostel as well as the girls' hostel complex are located within the Dalugama premises while the boys' hostels and some of the girls' hostels are in the surroundings of the main University premises. The Faculty of Medicine's administration divisions, hostel complex, sports facilities, and faculty library are at the Ragama premises.

The University of Kelaniya was the first institution to begin offering science courses in Sinhala. It also played a pioneering role in the establishment of academic departments in pertinent study streams. The Faculty of Science's Department of Industrial Management and the Department of Microbiology were the first of their kind. Subjects relating to Linguistics, Fine Arts, Modern Languages, and Hindi were first offered by pioneering Departments in the Faculty of Humanities, while the Faculty of Social Sciences pioneered the establishment of the Department of Mass Communication and the Department of Library and Information Sciences for the first time in Sri Lanka.

Students at the University of Kelaniya are provided with specialized services through several special Units and Centres. These include the Student Affairs Division, Career Guidance Unit, Personal Counselling Unit (Kalana Mithuru Sevana), Medical Centre, Physical Education Centre, Cultural Centre, the Arts Council, the Library (including Faculty Libraries), the Information and Communication Technology Centre, and the International Student Affairs Unit. UoK has also established some specialized centers and units for specific purposes. These include the Centre for Quality Assurance (CQA), Centre for Strategic Planning and University Statistics (CSPS), Media Unit, Staff Development Centre, Technology and Innovation Support Centre, Centre for Sustainability Solutions (CSS), Centre for Gender Studies (CGS), Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE), Centre of Excellence for Strategic Brand Identity Development (CBID), the Inter-Faculty Centre for Coordinating the Modular System (ICCMS) and the University Business Linkage Cell.

The human resources of the university include the academic staff, the administrative staff, the academic support staff, and the non-academic staff. The following diagram illustrates the organizational structure of the University (Figure 16).

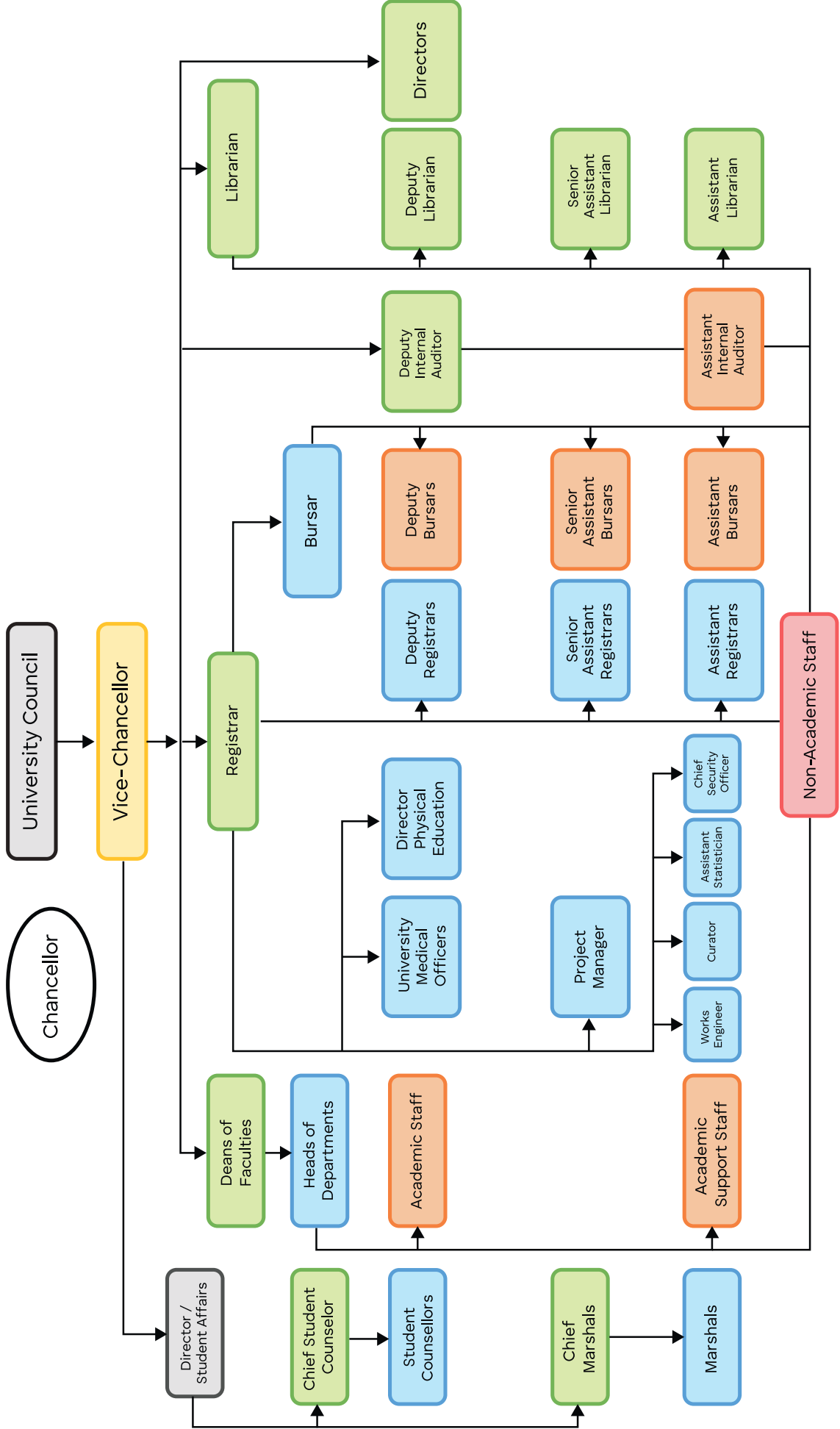


Figure 16: Organizational Structure

1.1. Year in Review

1.1.1. Introduction

In 2023, the University of Kelaniya successfully faced the challenges posed by the past crises in Sri Lanka and has returned to normalcy. Resilient in its commitment to academic excellence, the institution adapted seamlessly to ensure uninterrupted education amid the prevailing crisis in Sri Lanka. Recognizing the need for strategic measures, the university devoted efforts to the optimization of physical learning environments while implementing innovative approaches. The University of Kelaniya, through leveraging its experience and commitment to providing quality education, emerged from the crisis stronger, sustaining its mission to foster knowledge and contribute to the advancement of both its academic community and the broader society.

Several significant transitions took place during the year under review. Senior Prof. Dr. (Mrs.) N.R. De Silva was re-appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Kelaniya University. Professor W.M.C.B. Wanninayake was elected as the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies and Prof. M.N. Chandratilake was elected as the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. Senior Professor S.R.D Kalingamudali was re-elected as the Dean of the Faculty of Science and Dr. U.S. Senarath was also re-elected as the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities.

Several academic staff members of the University of Kelaniya were appointed to higher posts in other institutions and organizations. These appointments include Prof. S.A.P.M. Manuratne as Director of the UGC's Centre for Gender Equity/Equality, Prof. P. Narangoda as Director of the National Centre for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, Prof. H.T.C.S. Abeysena as the Director of the Postgraduate Institute of Indigenous Medicine, University of Colombo, Prof. P.B. Galhena as the Director of the Institute of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, University of Colombo, and Dr. Romola Rassool as the Director of the Postgraduate Institute of English, Open University of Sri Lanka.

1.1.2. Academic Activities, Student Intake, and Graduation

The University of Kelaniya commenced academic activities for the 2021/2022 academic year in February 2023, and from that date, all lectures were conducted physically.

A total of 4,128 new internal undergraduate students were enrolled for the academic year 2021/2022, and the total enrollment of internal undergraduates in the University of Kelaniya in 2023 thus increased to 15,390. The new enrollment of foreign students in the 2021/2022 academic year for undergraduate degree programs was 25. The total number of students enrolled in external undergraduate programs was 105,963, while 3,316 students were enrolled in postgraduate programs offered by the University of Kelaniya.

The graduate output of the year 2023 was 3,160 graduates from internal undergraduate programs, 4,008 from external undergraduate programs, and 1,217 from postgraduate programs. Further, 11 convocations have been held during the year 2023.

1.1.3. Staff Appointments, and Resignations or Retirements

During the year 2023, 31 academic staff members were recruited, and 37 academic staff members resigned or retired from service. 5 academic support staff resigned from their service. None were recruited as non-academic staff, whereas 18 retired from service and 21 resigned from the University this year. As a result, the University has 31 new appointments, whereas 81 staff members have resigned or retired from the University.

1.1.4. Research & Development and Awards

In 2023, the University of Kelaniya published a total of 963 publications across various categories, including full papers in SCOPUS-indexed refereed journals, full papers in non-indexed refereed journals, abstracts, and full papers in conference proceedings, book chapters, and textbooks. Among these, 342 publications are SCOPUS-indexed.

In recognition of scholarly achievements and to encourage academics to pursue research endeavors, 82 Senate honors and cash prizes were bestowed upon individuals for exemplary articles published in journals indexed in the Science Citation Index (SCI), Social Science Citation Index (SSCI), and Arts & Humanities Citation Index (AHCI) during the years 2021, 2022, and 2023. Furthermore, 54 Senate plaudits and monetary awards were granted upon scholars whose articles were published in SCOPUS-indexed journals during the years 2022 and 2023. Concurrently, 41 Senate plaudits and monetary awards were presented for comprehensive papers published in conference proceedings by indexed by SCOPUS in the years 2022 and 2023, as well as 3 foreign travel grants.

1.1.5. Rankings

The University of Kelaniya was ranked 3rd in Sri Lanka in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings and was positioned in the 601-800 group globally. Remarkably, the University of Kelaniya was included in the 2024 Times Higher Education World University Rankings for the first time, becoming a recognized research-intensive university in the world and 3rd in Sri Lanka in 2024. Only less than 2000 of the world's 30000 universities are included in what is widely accepted as the most prestigious and influential global university rankings. Moreover, University of Kelaniya was ranked 801–1000 in the Clinical and Health Subject Rankings of the Times Higher Education World University Rankings in 2024.

The University of Kelaniya, out of 1,182 universities that applied for the UI GreenMetric Ranking in 2023, was ranked as the leading Green University among the Sri Lankan Universities, advancing in its global rank from 241 in 2022 to 226 in 2023. The UI GreenMetric rankings were based on the performance over the period October 2022 to October 2023. With active involvement of its Centre for Sustainability Solutions (CSS), the University became the first state-sector university in Sri Lanka to adopt an environmental policy and align its strategic plan and key performance indices with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The University was also recognized significantly by other ranking institutions such as SCIMAGO and QS in 2023.

1.1.6. Other Highlights

Five scientists from the Faculty of Medicine were included in the list of the world's top 2% of influential scientists published by Stanford University in October 2023. This publication was based on Elsevier's Scopus database, which has been updated to the end of the citation year 2022.

The Electronics Design and Innovation Centre (EDIC) Team of the Faculty of Science, University of Kelaniya won the South Asia Youth Water Challenge (SAYWC) 2023 for one of their innovations, an "Automated Stand-alone Wireless Water Quality Monitoring and Rainwater Harvesting System", where the system will automatically harvest the rainwater and direct them to different tanks according to the monitored quality. This smart system can connect arid and rural areas to the smart world by enabling real-time water quality monitoring capabilities.

The University had significant achievements in sports in 2023 with a University of Kelaniya student representing the women's 4x400m relay team that secured the silver medal at the Asian Games 2023 held in Hangzhou, China. The significant importance of this victory is that this is the first time that a University of Kelaniya undergraduate has won a medal in the Asian Games, and only the 2nd Sri Lankan university undergraduate to have won a medal in Asian Games history. Moreover, the Beach Volleyball (Men), Carrom (Men), and Karate (Men) teams became champions at the XIV Sri Lanka University Games (SLUG) 2023.

In other highlights, the first 'library museum' within the Sri Lankan university system, specifically founded to chronicle the history of a higher education institution in Sri Lanka, was established in 2023 by the library of the University of Kelaniya. Furthermore, the Library of the University of Kelaniya also unveiled an interactive and collaborative learning area for undergraduates equipped with modern digital resources, supporting research, learning, and collaborative activities.

1.2. Outlook for the Future

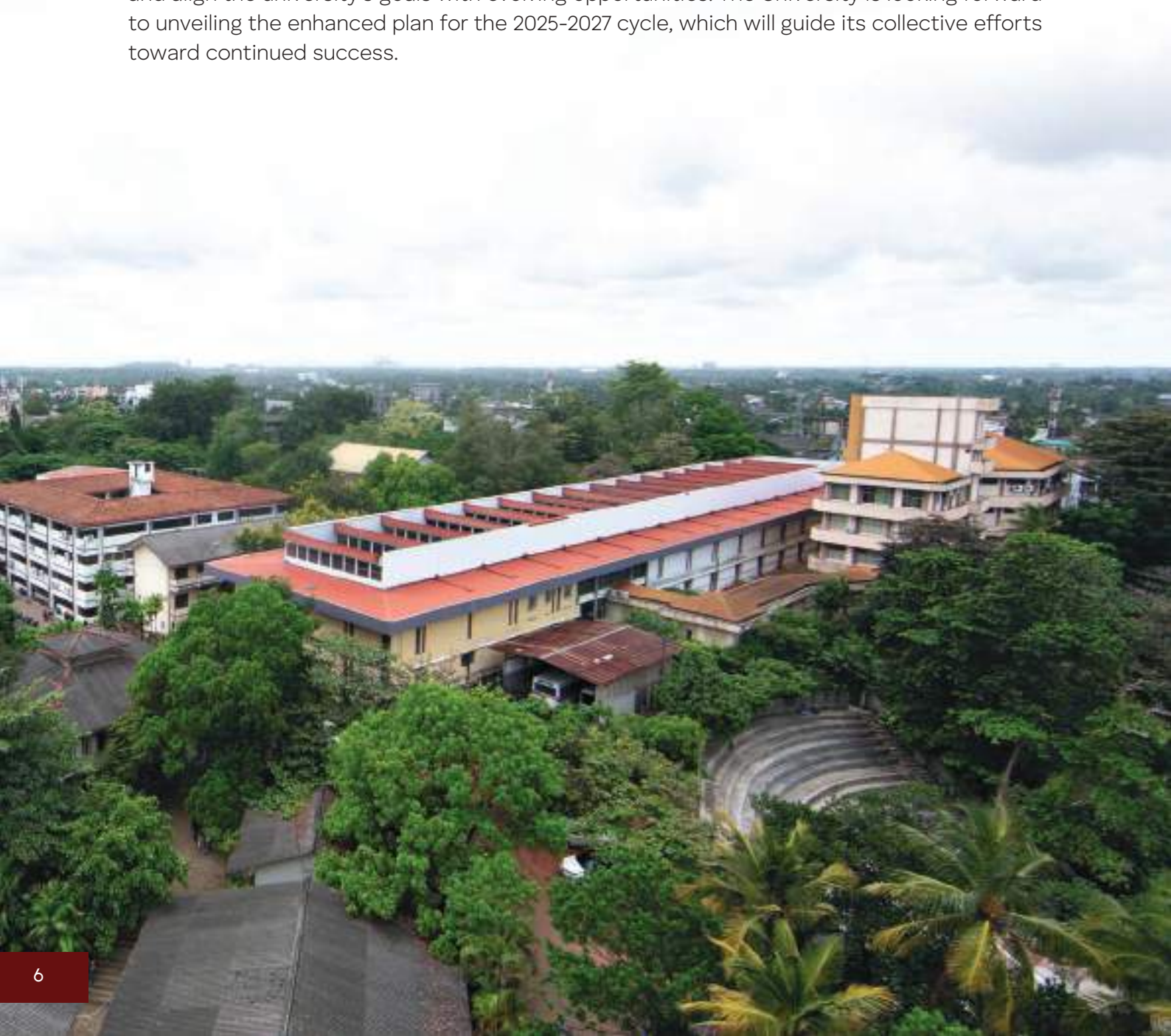
The annual action plan of the University of Kelaniya, prepared collaboratively by all the strategic entities of the university, is aligned with the university's strategic plan for the 2022-2024 cycle to reach five strategic goals. These five goals cover the key strategic aspects of the University, namely, (1) Teaching and learning, (2) Human Resources Development, (3) Research, (4) Economic and Social Responsibility, and (5) Administration and Good Governance.

- Goal 1: To create a high-quality and flexible teaching and learning environment.
- Goal 2: To develop the highest quality faculty and staff to attain the strategic goals of the University.
- Goal 3: To create a multi-disciplinary research culture of global standing.
- Goal 4: To improve the image of the university by widening the range of economic and social engagement.
- Goal 5: To develop an excellent system of governance through efficient and effective administration and financial management.

Amidst the economic crisis in the country, the University of Kelaniya has managed to excel in its key strategic aspects and is striving to look beyond 2030. The performance of the university is reflected through the improvements in international rankings in 2023 and the university will continue to strive to improve its ranking in the coming years.

The ongoing economic crisis has imposed lots of constraints on government funding and retention of the staff, making the achievement of KPIs and completing the activities in the annual action plan challenging. However, contributing to the national sustainable development agenda and improving graduate employability would still continue to be the key priorities for the University of Kelaniya. Limited infrastructure continues to derange the accomplishment of the short-term goals of the university. Despite the ongoing challenges, the university has taken several initiatives, through national and international collaborations, to introduce new study programs to the national and international market, and improve the university's teaching, learning, research, and sustainable development activities.

The University of Kelaniya is excited to share that a significant update to the strategic plan is currently underway. This revision reflects the commitment of the university to stay agile and align the university's goals with evolving opportunities. The University is looking forward to unveiling the enhanced plan for the 2025-2027 cycle, which will guide its collective efforts toward continued success.



2 UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE

The University of Kelaniya complies with the organizational structure and responsibilities outlined in the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978 and with regulations and guidelines provided from time to time by the circulars of the UGC.

The Council, Senate, and Faculty Boards are statutory bodies that formulate guidelines at various levels of action. The UoK organizational chart defines the positions of all staff and their duties, responsibilities, and reporting lines.

2.1. The Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Officers of the University

The Chancellor is the head of the University who directs the convocation, while the Vice-Chancellor is the University's principal executive officer, principal academic officer, and accounting officer. The Vice-Chancellor is an ex-officio member and the chairman of the University's Council and Senate and is responsible for implementing the decisions taken by the Council and Senate. The Dean is the academic and administrative head of each Faculty and is the ex-officio chairperson of its respective Faculty Board. They are ex-officio members of the Council and the Senate. The Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies is responsible for coordinating and regulating postgraduate studies as well as specialized or multidisciplinary research carried out within the university, subject to the direction and control of the Senate. The Registrar is responsible for the disciplinary actions of non-academic staff and has custody of the records and property of the University. He is the ex-officio secretary of the Council and the Senate. The Librarian is responsible for the operations of the University library and is also an ex-officio member of the Senate. The Bursar is responsible for managing the university's finances and maintaining its accounts.

2.2. The University Council

The Council is the executive and governing authority of the University. The Council of the University of Kelaniya consists of the Vice Chancellor, seven Deans, two members elected by the Senate from among its members, and eleven members appointed by the UGC. The Vice-Chancellor chairs the Council while the Registrar serves as its secretary. Council members participate in all selection committees for recruitment and promotion of academic staff, as well as in the following statutory committees:

- Finance Committee
- Audit Committee
- Management Committee of the Centre for Distance & Continuing Education

Council members also serve on the Senate Standing Committee on Quality Assurance, the Lands and Buildings Management and Development Committee, and the Centre for Distance & Continuing Education, all of which are also chaired by the Vice-Chancellor. Apart from this, they also serve on sub-committees such as the Ethics Review Committee, Staff Development Management Committee, Research Council etc.

Table 1: Members of the Council

Name	Participation in meetings (From 01.01.2023 to 31.12.2023)
Vice- Chancellor	
Senior. Prof. (Mrs.) N.R. De Silva	14
Deans of the Faculties	
Dr. P.N.D Fernando ¹	7
Prof. W.M.C.B Wanninayaka/ Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies	7
Dr. R.L.C.S. Pushpakumara/ Faculty of Computing & Technology	14
Snr. Prof. N.A.K.P.J. Seneviratne/ Faculty of Graduate Studies	13
Dr. U.S. Senarath/ Faculty of Humanities	14
Snr. Prof. (Mrs) S.J. de S. Hewavisenthi ²	11
Prof. M.N. Chandratilake/ Faculty of Medicine	3
Snr. Prof. S R D Kalingamudali/ Faculty of Science	14
Prof. M.M. Gunatilake/ Faculty of Social Sciences	14
Senate Nominee	
Ven. (Snr. Prof.) Induragare Dhammarathana Thero ³	0
Prof. W.M. Semasinghe	13
Snr. Prof. H.H. Sumathipala	1
Prof. (Mrs.) S.S. Weligamage	13
UGC Appointees	
Prof. Harischandra Abeygunawardena (11.02.2020-15.01.2023) (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	5
Mr. Rakhitha Shri Dharshana Abeygoonawardana ⁴	1
Prof. Ranjith Arthanayake (11.02.2020-15.01.2023) (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	14
Mr. Sanjaya Bandara ⁵	0
Mr. S M Gotabaya Jayarathne ⁶	1
Prof. Ananda Patabandige ⁷	1
Prof. Nimal Perera ⁸	0
Prof. Rohan Rajapakse ⁹	1
Mr. L.E. Susantha Silva (11.02.2020-15.01.2023) (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	13
Mr. S.K. Cyril Suduwella (11.02.2020-15.01.2023) (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	13
Mr. Upali Wijayaweera ¹⁰	1
Ms. Mary T. Dickman (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	10
Ven. Welamitiyawwe Gnanarathana Nayaka Thero (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	7
Prof. Kalyani Perera ((16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	11
Mr. Siri Ranasinghe (16.01.2023-15.01.2026)	7
Mr. Udaya Ranjith Seneviratne (24.01.2023-15.01.2026)	13
Mr. T.R. Waruna Dhanapala (08.06.2023-15.01.2026)	7
Mr. Anuja Kaushika Premarathna (08.06.2023-15.01.2026)	3
Secretary to the Council – Registrar (Ex-officio)	
Mr. K.K.K. Dharmathilaka	14

¹ Appointment period of Dr. PND Fernando ended on June 09, 2023.

² Appointment period of Snr. Prof. (Mrs.) SJ de S Hewavisenthi ended on September 22, 2023.

³ Ven. (Snr. Prof.) Induragare Dhammarathana Thero was a Senate nominee from January 26, 2020, to January 25, 2023

⁴ Mr. Rakhitha Shri Dharshana Abeygoonawardana was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

⁵ Mr. Sanjaya Bandara was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

⁶ Mr. SM Gotabaya Jayarathne was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

⁷ Prof. Ananda Patabandige was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

⁸ Prof. Nimal Perera was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

⁹ Prof. Rohan Rajapakse was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

¹⁰ Mr. Upali Wijayaweera was a UGC appointee from February 11, 2020, to January 15, 2023.

2.3. The Senate

The Senate is the academic authority of the University and comprises the Vice-Chancellor who is the ex-officio Chairperson, the Directors of the PGIAR and PGIPBS, Deans of Faculties, Heads of Departments, Senior Professors and Professors, the Librarian, and two academic members from each faculty who are elected from among the permanent academics of the respective faculty.

The Senate, in the exercise of its duties, has appointed several Standing Committees in the following areas. Further details regarding the composition and mandate of each Committee are provided in Section 2.7 of this Report.

- Admissions
- Curriculum, Learning, Teaching, and Evaluation
- Honorary Degrees
- Leave and Awards
- Library
- Quality Assurance
- Research and Publications

2.4. Faculty Boards

The Faculty Boards regulate matters connected with teaching, examinations, and research in the respective faculties, subject to the control of the Senate. All academic departments come under the purview of the respective Faculty Board. The departments of study are responsible for the development of curricula, teaching, assessments, research, and other relevant academic matters of each department.

2.5. Governance Documents: Strategic Plan and Action Plan

The Strategic Plan for 2022-2024 is designed to be pragmatic, real, and relevant, influencing the university’s vital institutional decisions and addressing the prioritized requirements of both staff and students while sharing the overall vision of the university with its partners for the next three years. This also sets the platform for articulating a set of values guiding the University’s work over the next three years. The annual Action Plan is directly focused on the activities for 2023, in line with the Strategic Plan of the University for the period 2022-2024. Both the Strategic Plan and Action Plan have been approved by the Council of the University.

2.6. Statutory Committees

2.6.1. Finance Committee

The Council of the University of Kelaniya has appointed a Finance Committee (FC) to make recommendations concerning finance-related matters to support the Council. The composition of the FC is as follows.

- Vice-Chancellor – Chairperson
- Deans of Faculties
- Two members of the Council
- Registrar
- Bursar (Convener)

FC meets once a month and takes decisions on all matters related to the finances of the University. All financial matters, including program budgets, are properly evaluated in line with governing regulations and as per the university development plan. Recommendations of the FC are submitted for approval of the Council. FC receives matters referred by the Vice-Chancellor, Deans of Faculties, Registrar, Bursar, Heads of Departments, Heads of Divisions, or Senate. FC is one of the subcommittees of the Council.

2.6.2. Procurement Committees

The University of Kelaniya has its Department Procurement Committees (DPC) which are appointed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Education in line with the Procurement Guidelines of 2006 and its subsequent amendments. Thus, the University has two types of DPCs: the DPC (Major) and the DPC (Minor). DPC (Minor) takes up procurements below LKR 5 million while DPC (Major) takes up procurement up to 200 million as per current guidelines. The composition of the DPC (Major), which meets once a month, is the Vice-Chancellor as chairperson, a member appointed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Education, and the Bursar as the 3rd member. The composition of the DPC (Minor), which meets once a week, is the Vice-Chancellor as Chairperson, with the Registrar and Bursar as members. Meanwhile, a Supplies Committee (SC) is also appointed by the governing body to take up procurements of up to LKR 500,000/-. The University also had a Project Procurement Committee (PPC) appointed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Education to oversee procurements made under the World Bank-funded AHEAD Project.

2.6.3. Audit Committee

As per the Public Enterprises Circular No. P.E.D./31, the Audit Committee is required to meet at least four times a year. The main objective of the Audit Committee is to assist the Council to carry out efficient financial functions and related management activities of the University.

The main responsibilities of the Audit Committee are the review and supervision of financial statements, financial reporting, and the continuation of the audit process, the examination of any matters related to the finance of the University, the approval of the annual internal audit

plans and programs, the supervision of the Internal Audit Plan and Program, the investigation of the external and internal audit reports and the follow up on recommendations. The review, supervision, and examination of compliance with system controls to ensure effective performance, the review of performance at regular intervals for cost-effectiveness and elimination of wasteful expenditure, etc., ascertaining whether statutes, regulations, rules, and circulars are complied with, are all responsibilities of the Audit Committee.

Table 2: Number of meetings held during 2023

Statutory Committees	Number of Meetings held
Council	14
Senate	12
Finance Committee	12
Procurement Committee (Major)	16
Procurement Committee (Minor)	44
Audit Committee	6

2.7. Senate Standing Committees

The Admissions Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor and all Deans, with the Executive Officer in charge of the Academic Division as the Secretary and Convenor. This Committee makes recommendations to the UGC via the Senate, regarding the number of places available for the admission of undergraduate students to each bachelor’s degree programme offered by the University each year.

The Curriculum, Learning, Teaching and Evaluation Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor, all Deans, Senior Professors and Professors, with the Executive Officer in charge of the Academic Division as the Secretary and Convenor. The Committee, which meets once a month, reviews and makes recommendations to the Senate regarding new course curricula, revisions to existing course curricula and other academic matters.

The Honorary Degrees Committee consists of 7 Members, who are senior academics nominated from each Faculty, and it is chaired by the most senior member. The Executive Officer in charge of the Academic Division convenes meetings as required, to review nominations made by Faculty Boards for the award of honorary degrees and to make recommendations to the Senate regarding the compliance of the nominations with relevant regulations.

The Leave & Awards Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor and Deans, with the Executive Officer in charge of the Academic Establishments Division as the Secretary and Convenor. The Committee meets once a month to review matters regarding confirmation of academic staff, extension of the probationary period where required, as well as requests for study leave and sabbatical leave, with particular attention to compliance with the relevant regulations and the requirements of the relevant Department of Study.

The Library Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor and Deans, the Librarian, all academic staff in the university libraries, as well as one nominee from each Faculty Board. The Executive Officer assigned to the Library is the Secretary and Convenor of this Committee, which meets every other month. The Library Committee takes up all matters pertaining to the provision of learning resources by the Library to all students and staff of the University.

The Senate Standing Committee on Quality Assurance consists of the Vice-Chancellor and Deans, two nominees of the Council from among members appointed by the UGC, the Registrar and Bursar, the Director of the University's Centre for Quality Assurance, the Director of the University's Centre for Distance & Continuing Education, the Director of the University's Staff Development Centre, the Director of the University's Centre for Strategic Planning and Statistics, as well as the QA Coordinators of each Faculty. The Executive Officer in charge of the Academic Division is the Secretary and Convenor of the Committee which meets once a month to deliberate on matters relevant to internal and external quality assurance of all the programmes of study offered by the University.

The Research & Publications Committee consists of the Vice-Chancellor and Deans and a nominee from each Faculty Board. The Executive Officer in charge of the Research & Publications Division is the Secretary and Convenor of the Committee, which meets once a month. The Committee makes recommendations regarding the disbursement of research grants to academic staff from Treasury funds, and disbursement of funds for field visits that comprise an essential part of undergraduate programmes. The Committee monitors progress with regard to utilization of such grants and also makes recommendations regarding disbursement of university funds for university publications.

2.8. Ethical Standards for Research

The University has two Ethics Review Committees (ERC). The Ethics Review Committee of the Faculty of Medicine was established in 1995 to promote research ethics among undergraduates, postgraduate students, academics, and the wider community of researchers. Its primary objective is the protection of humans participating in biomedical research. This is achieved through review and monitoring processes carried out in accordance with the guidelines of the Forum of Ethics Review Committees in Sri Lanka (FERCSL guidelines) and other relevant national and international legislation and guidelines.

The Ethics Review Committee of the University of Kelaniya was established in 2016, with the aim of promoting high-quality research and is dedicated to maintaining the highest ethical standards as enshrined in its vision and mission. The ERC of the University of Kelaniya covers several aspects of research ethics pertaining to the research conducted by the Faculties of Commerce and Management, Computing and Technology, Graduate Studies, Humanities, Science, and Social Sciences.

2.9. Health, Safety, and Well-being

The University Health Service is organized to help the students & staff of the University lead an active life free from disease and it contributes towards the social well-being of students and provides a comprehensive, medical, and preventive health service. "Adequate treatment and care even of mild ailments could prevent the occurrence of serious disease, minimize the rate of absenteeism from classes and control the spread of infection to others" are the main aims of management at the University Medical Centre.

The Medical Centre of the University functions as an "out patients" department (OPD) of a normal hospital, attending to the health needs of all undergraduates and academic and non-academic staff, as well as their close relatives. All registered students and staff are entitled to free consultations, free basic medicinal drugs, laboratory services, and other services.

Patients may refer to the relevant clinic or transferred to tertiary care hospitals according to their requirements & situations. For the provision of these services, the Medical Centre has qualified staff, a well-equipped laboratory, a Pharmacy, and other required facilities.

In addition to that, Dental Clinic & Ayurvedic medical facilities are available at the Medical Centre.

The Mental Health Clinic is facilitated by the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, especially in areas of psychological problems among youth. All counseling sessions and treatment are done by consultant psychiatrists and strict confidentiality is maintained.

Further, preventive medical care and community health of the university community are followed up and observed by the Medical Centre. In the event of the spreading of communicable diseases such as COVID-19, Dengue Fever, and foodborne diseases, the University Medical Centre implements preventive measures and health education activities for the university community.

In addition, UHC conducts medical examinations, certifying the fitness of students involved in sports activities, as well as academic staff and/or students who go abroad to study or attend international conferences or tournaments. The Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of UHC is responsible for medical confirmation for service and granting extension of services to the staff based on the findings of the medical examination. All the medical certificates of students and staff are evaluated and certified by the CMO.

2.10. Quality Assurance

The Centre for Quality Assurance (CQA), established under UGC Circular 2019/09, facilitates Quality Assurance activities of the University. The CQA, headed by a Director, is guided by the Senate Standing Committee on Quality Assurance (SSC-QA). Faculty Quality Assurance Cells (FQACs) are established in all six Faculties. In addition to the six FQACs, IQAC -CDCE, and IQAC-ADMIN, the Faculty of Graduate Studies (IQAC -FGS) and Library have established Internal Quality Assurance Cells in 2022. The Senate Standing Committee on Quality Assurance meets monthly, where the progress of the seven FQACs and three IQACs is reported to the SSC-QA, sharing best practices to facilitate the enhancement of internalization of practice.

In the year 2023, the following activities were completed by the CQA.

2.10.1. External Reviews

- The implementation of the Action Plan for Institutional Review-2021 reached 65%, taking into account the review recommendations.
- Action Plans for the Program Review of BSc & BSc Honours programs in Environment Conservation and Management, as well as BSc & BSc Honours programs in Management and Information Technology, were prepared and approved by the Faculty Board and Senate Board. Both documents have been submitted to the QAC, UGC.
- Action Plans for four External Degree Programs (EDPs): BA, BCom, BBMgt, and BSc (Physiotherapy) were prepared and approved by the Senate. These documents have been forwarded to the QAC, UGC.
- The implementation of Program Review Recommendations for the Faculty of Humanities, Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, and the Faculty of Medicine (MBBS Programme) was approved by the Senate Board and has been sent to the QAC, UGC.

2.10.2. Preparation of Policy Documents and Guidelines

- The UOK Qualification Framework was revised.
- Policy on Academic Staff Performance Appraisal System.
- Postgraduate Thesis Supervision Policy.
- The development of an HR policy is in progress.
- Preparation of the Manual of Procedures for the Administrative Divisions is in progress.

2.10.2. Workshops and awareness programmes

In 2023 CQA facilitated conducting workshops and training sessions on several aspects,

- Academic Staff Performance Appraisal System.
- Role of Administrative Officers in Quality Assurance
- Curriculum development process

2.11. University Compliance with the Right to Information Act No 12 of 2016

2.11.1. Details of Information Issued

The management of the University of Kelaniya recognized the importance of compliance with the provisions of the Right to Information Act No. 12 of 2016 of the Government. It also complied with the principle of transparency in university decisions. Therefore, the University of Kelaniya has released all information related to several matters requested in 2023. The details of such requests and the university's issuance of information are stated below (Table 3).

Table 3: Issuance of information in 2023 as per the Right to Information Act

Name of the person who requested information	Date of request	Date the information was delivered	Nature of information
1. Mr. M.N.M. Sabrin	20.01.2023	03.03.2023	Information regarding any new appointments (Temporary and Permanent) on or after 26.04.2022
2. Mr. B.AB.S. Jayawardena	31.05.2023	13.07.2023	Information regarding marks allocated for his thesis
3. Mrs. U.T.M.I.D. Thennakoon	28.06.2023	07.07.2023	Information regarding the inquiry on payment of a surcharge for delayed ETF contribution
4. Ven. Lelwala Ariyadamma Thero	09.07.2023	12.07.2023	Decisions made by the Council in respect of the interview scheduled on 17.07.2023 for the post of Lecturer (Probationary) Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies
5. Dr. S.B.H. Prabath Indika Perera	18.09.2023	16.11.2023	Details of the degree and other qualifications of Mr. R.M.A.D.B. Rathnayaka and Mrs. H.S.N. Silva selected candidates for the post of Lecturer (Probationary) in Sociology
6. Mr. P.AD.B. Priyankara	01.11.2023	22.11.2023	Information of the selection committee for the post of Lecturer (Probationary)/ Senior Lecturer (Gr II/I) and Lecturer (Unconfirmed) in the Department of Drama, Cinema and Television Faculty of Humanities

Total number of requests received during year 2023	-	06
Total number of occasions of not providing information during the year 2023	-	00
Accordingly, total number of responses during the year 2023	-	06
Total responses as a percentage of request	-	100%

2.12. Risk Management

2.12.1. Changes in the Government Directives

According to Government directives, the universities must channel the signing of MOUs through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. However, the proposed mechanism for processing such MOUs is very difficult and cannot meet the needs of overseas universities or organizations due to unjustifiable delays or several shortcomings. In the meantime, discussions emerged by the higher authorities for amending the current Universities Act No. 16 of 1978, but not finalized until the end of the year 2023. The University management faced difficulty planning its academic activities and the rest of its programmes since the proposed changes were delayed or stagnated over the year. However, the proposed changes in the university policies were challenging from a change management perspective. Comprehensive training and development programmes were required to ensure the staff was accustomed to the resulting new working conditions due to policy changes. This required additional investments from the university's side.

2.12.2. Impact of Economic Downturn for University Operations

The negative impacts of the 2022 economic crisis and the subsequent constraints continued to affect the University of Kelaniya in 2023. The University of Kelaniya adhered to the guidelines the Ministry of Finance issued in 2022, including the National Budget Circular No. 2/2022 and the Public Enterprises Circular No. 4/2022. The constraints imposed by those circulars compelled the university administration to revise the action plan and the procurement plan for 2023, which was challenging to the growth and sustainability of the university.

2.12.3. Gaps in Financial Resource Allocations

Strict limitations in financial resource allocations from the Government severely affected the university's action plan in 2023. The university had to prioritise the activities, particularly those related to capital expenditure, due to the limited supply of government funding. It was challenging to continue the progressive actions initiated in the 2022-2024 strategic plan, such as encouraging high-quality research and developing the physical and digital infrastructure, to which the university had to utilize its generated income carefully. The university managed to comply with the government's digital transformation directives, but the shortage of funding affected the execution of the plans to their full potential. University-generated income was fully used to fund the gaps between the limited grants from the Ministry of Finance and the need for the university to continue undergraduate degree programmes while supporting university research projects and publishing papers by academic staff.

2.12.4. Staff Mobility

High staff mobility due to tough economic conditions was a significant challenge in 2023. A notable trend of resigning/vacation of post/taking sabbatical leave was observed in 2023 among the academic and administrative staff, while properly trained and experienced non-academic and academic support staff also resigned during this period. Even though the constraints on academic staff recruitment were relaxed to some extent, finding suitable replacements was challenging for many subject disciplines/skill staff categories. The cessation of recruitment to the executive, academic support, and non-academic staff categories puts significant pressure on the existing staff with respect to workload. This environment is even worse due to the increase in new admissions to degree programmes without the provision of the required resources. APIT tax and the rapidly increasing cost of living in the country pushed the university staff to leave the country and the university. Due to the above complex environment, most of the experienced and highly trained academic staff are compelled to find employment from overseas or private organizations at competitive financial packages.

2.13. Green Practices

The University of Kelaniya stands as a trailblazer in sustainable practices, earning the distinction of Sri Lanka's leading Green University. Steppingstone to achieving this accolade was achieved through adopting an environmental policy on December 10th, 2014, and marking a steadfast commitment to internalize sustainability across the institution. Since then, UOK has diligently undertaken initiatives not only within its academic sphere but also in the broader community, aligning its actions with principles of environmental, economic, and social responsibility. UOK's commitment to sustainable development is seamlessly woven into its curriculum, research goals, strategic decisions, management practices, and community engagements. Therefore, UOK established the Centre for Sustainability Solutions to operate environmental policy within the university. The CSS team has been working tirelessly towards contributing to the University's vision, through its own vision to "Contribute to the sustainable development of the country through environmentally sound approaches and practices" and to become the leading green University in Asia.

Since its inception, CSS's operations include but are not limited to developing related policies and internalizing practices, setting realistic targets, and monitoring performances. Operating with transparency, CSS reports on the achievements of sustainability goals, ensuring accountability and progress tracking. Their Strategic focus is the UOK has set its sights on contributing to all United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within its capacity by 2030. The Center for Sustainability Solutions has strategically outlined six core principles central to its vision.

CSS actively focuses on inspiring positive attitude change, setting realistic targets, and integrating environmentally sound practices into the routine operations of the University. By emphasizing these principles, UOK is not only contributing to a sustainable future but also fostering a culture of responsibility and awareness within its academic community.

The CSS team has focused on key areas such as energy, water, habitat, and waste management, aligning its efforts with all 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

By adopting Strategies such as

- reducing waste generation by promoting efficient use, reuse, and recycle
- implementation of the composting process for organic wastes
- collecting metals, glasses, plastic/polythene, and paper and establishing a mechanism to dispose of them through registered recyclers in a regular manner.
- collection and proper disposal of electronic wastes through responsible recyclers.
- establishing proper chemical and clinical waste disposal methods.
- promoting sustainable construction principles in new buildings and refurbishments.
- reducing negative impacts on climate change through the implementation of various projects including a Carbon Management Plan.
- minimizing environmental impacts through environmentally friendly procurement plans.
- preventing pollution by managing and reducing emissions to air and discharges to water.
- introducing rainwater harvesting
- promoting wastewater collection, treatment, and reuse for gardening purposes
- promoting efficient use of energy
- Managing the University premises to create and enhance wildlife habitats through the formulation and implementation of a Biodiversity Action Plan.
- promoting respectful behavior towards the environment among the university community and in society by using Environmental education as a primordial tool
- CSS team with countless support from all stakeholders was able to make UOK, the leading green University in the country.



2.13.1. Achievements and Recognition

Leading Sri Lanka in UI GreenMetric World University Ranking

CSS, on behalf of the University of Kelaniya (UOK), applies for the UI GreenMetric World University Ranking annually. In the UI GreenMetric Ranking 2023, UOK emerged as the leading green university in Sri Lanka, showcasing its dedication to environmental sustainability.

GreenInsights E-Magazine

Beyond its role in managing sustainability initiatives on campus, CSS takes pride in the ongoing publication of the annual magazine, 'GreenInsights,' launched in June 2023. This e-magazine serves as a valuable platform for researchers to showcase their work dedicated to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Commitment to Water Management

CSS prioritizes water conservation efforts within the university, exemplified by the implementation of a rainwater harvesting system at the Faculty of Commerce and Management premises. In 2023, this initiative successfully collected 50,000 liters of water. Wastewater from university hostels undergoes treatment and is repurposed for gardening. CSS took further steps by introducing a sprinkler irrigation system in 2018 for the plant nursery and lawns. Additional investments and plans include a Sedimentation Management Plan to address Land and Water Pollution Risks, wastewater treatments, sewage water treatment units, and the utilization of treated water for recycling in toilet flushing – showcasing UOK's ongoing commitment to sustainable water management.

Commitment to Energy Management

The University of Kelaniya's commitment to energy management is evident through a series of impactful initiatives and policies. Spearheaded by the CSS and with support from the Vice Chancellor, the university has implemented guidelines to optimize air-conditioning usage, emphasizing prudent practices such as limiting temperatures (+/- 2°C lower than the room temperature) and on-off times (10.30 am to 3.30 pm). The adoption of energy-efficient measures, including LED bulbs, inverter air conditioners, and solar technologies, reflects UOK's dedication to reducing its carbon footprint. The university's holistic approach also includes multiple awareness programs for all stakeholders as well as public, actions to reduce energy wastage and actions to increase thermal comfort with efficient energy usage showcasing its continuous efforts toward sustainable energy practices and environmental conservation.

Moreover, UOK's proactive approach to renewable energy sources further exemplifies its commitment to sustainability. Solar panel installations, totaling 5KW each at the main campus, coupled with a substantial 250KW system at the Faculty of Computing and Technology, epitomize its dedication to harnessing green energy. The integration of a 5KW wind power system at the Faculty of Computing and Technology further diversifies the renewable energy portfolio. Moreover, the university's initiatives include the installation of renewable energy systems for demonstration purposes and educating and inspiring future engineering students about the potential of sustainable energy sources. Incorporating biogas production into its sustainability endeavors, the University of Kelaniya operates two

biogas units, utilizing kitchen waste to produce biogas and liquid compost. The institution's commitment to energy efficiency is evident, with one unit processing 30kg of kitchen waste daily, yielding 2kg of biogas and 100 liters of compost.

Commitment to Habitat Management

UOK's habitat management commitment is comprehensive programs, including tree plantation initiatives led by Green Practices Committees/Green clubs across faculties. These collective endeavors not only contribute to increasing tree cover but also underscore the university's holistic approach to sustainability, emphasizing the importance of fostering diverse habitats within its premises. Additionally, with the assistance of landscaping divisions, UOK was able to plant a variety of fruit, flowering, herbal, and rare plant species enhancing biodiversity, especially butterfly species and bird species.

Furthermore, in collaboration with the Green Practices Committee of the Faculty of Medicine (GPC) and with the support of well-wishers, UOK has undertaken a massive vegetable gardening project covering approximately 3 acres. The harvested produce from this endeavor was strategically sold to canteens and provided to university staff at a concession rate. Notably, these gardening projects were cultivated organically using compost produced at the university's compost plants, showcasing a closed-loop sustainability model and promoting healthy eating practices to address several SDGs. Additionally, the vegetable garden provides ample opportunities for extracurricular student engagements, through 'Shramadana' campaigns. This grassroots-level engagement exemplifies UOK's commitment to sustainable agricultural practices and food security for its community members. By cultivating home-grown crops, the university not only addresses the immediate nutritional needs of students and staff but also serves as a model for resilient and sustainable agriculture amid economic challenges.

Commitment to Raising Awareness

CSS continues to play a pivotal role in fostering awareness, education, and outreach efforts, both locally and globally through workshops, seminars, competitions, and other activities. Notably, the Sustainability Leadership Certificate Program stands out as a cornerstone initiative, offering undergraduates from all faculties a comprehensive curriculum. In 2023, over 100 students engaged in this program, participating in diverse projects related to sustainability as part of their coursework. Comprising 15 modules, the program addresses crucial topics such as Human Society, Environmental Issues and Sustainable Development, Sustainable Living, and the role of youth in Green Fashion. It further explores non-conventional energy, Energy Management, Waste as a Resource in Solid Waste Management, Environmental Pollution, Human Health, Water Management, Green Buildings, Sustainable Production and Consumption, and Environmental Sustainability Leadership. CSS is actively working towards obtaining SLQF standards for the program, to extend its reach to school leavers with A/L qualifications, thereby expanding the impact of sustainability education.

Commitment to Community Outreach Programs

In 2023, the Centre for Sustainability Solutions continued its unwavering commitment to community outreach programs, spearheading over 10 impactful activities throughout the year. These initiatives encompassed a range of sustainability-focused projects, including beach cleanup programs aimed at preserving coastal ecosystems and promoting environmental stewardship. The Tree Plantation Program saw enthusiastic participation, contributing to

the university's efforts in enhancing green spaces and combating deforestation. Additionally, CSS organized and participated in community awareness programs focused on waste management, sustainability practices, and education. These programs played a crucial role in disseminating knowledge and fostering a sense of environmental responsibility within local communities. By actively engaging in these diverse outreach initiatives, CSS demonstrated the university's dedication to creating a sustainable and eco-conscious future beyond its campus borders.

Apart from that, the Landscaping Division of the University of Kelaniya, in collaboration with the Center for Sustainability Solutions, has been actively involved in several sustainable projects aimed at addressing environmental concerns, resource limitations, and increasing product demands.

Commitment to Waste Management

CSS has successfully implemented a waste segregation and recycling program at the university. More than 75% of biodegradable waste generated within the university is composted in a facility that was developed by the CSS with the assistance of the CEA. CSS was involved in issuing a university circular banning polythene usage at the University of Kelaniya. As a result, the use of lunch sheets was banned in canteens and fruitful discussions were held with the student union to make them aware of the negative environmental impacts of the use of polythene in their activities/decorations. Further, CSS introduced dark blue colored bins for every department in the university to collect used papers for recycling. All collected papers are handed over to a registered recycler. CSS encourages using soft copies where possible and printing double-sided wherever possible, reusing single-sided printed papers. CSS promotes using biogas as an alternative for LPG when possible and two biogas facilities in two canteens in the university produce more than 4kg of biogas per day.

Additionally, CSS provides consultation services on waste management when requested. CSS provided consultation to the Faculty of Computing and Technology when designing their waste management system. Also, Staff who are trained in composting techniques give advice and knowledge to small-scale enterprises who wish to operate compost yards.

The Landscaping Division of the University of Kelaniya with CSS, has been successfully managing solid waste through compost production, contributing to environmental sustainability. The production values for the past three years (2020-2023) indicate a consistent effort:

Table 4: Compost production in the University

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023
Production (kg)	11670	9061	20294	6084
Generated Income (LKR)	198330	175160	405880	121680

The initiative to recycle paper has proven both environmentally beneficial and economically viable:

Table 5: Paper recycling in the University

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023
Recycled Paper Amount (kg)	5857	4465	20780	6842.5
Generated Income (LKR)	58570	44650	415600	136850

Therefore, the calculated savings for 6,842.5 kg of only recycled paper are approximate:

- 115.82 Grown Trees
- 182,138.53 L of Water
- 4,109.38 KWh of Electricity
- 1,495.86 L of Oil
- 1,371.33 Kg's of Carbon Emission

Over the past few years, there has been a commendable effort in reducing plastic waste, evident in the amounts sent to recycling centers: 50kg in 2018, 82kg in 2019, 22kg in 2020, and 102.6kg in 2023. This concerted initiative not only contributes to a positive environmental impact by reducing carbon footprint but has also resulted in a noteworthy income generation of 7000 Rs through the responsible sale of plastics. These collective actions reflect a commitment to sustainability, highlighting the dual benefits of environmental stewardship and economic viability.

Moreover in 2023, the Landscape Division embarked on a commendable initiative by planting over 300 trees, contributing significantly to environmental conservation and greenery enhancement. This ambitious project aimed to not only beautify the surroundings but also promote sustainable practices throughout the plantation process. One distinctive aspect of this tree-planting endeavor was the exclusive use of the Landscape Division's own produced compost. The team recognized the importance of incorporating organic and nutrient-rich materials into the soil to ensure the healthy growth and vitality of the newly planted trees. By utilizing their self-made compost, the division not only minimized waste but also demonstrated a commitment to eco-friendly and sustainable practices.

Vegetable Cultivation:

Amidst the ongoing crisis, the University of Kelaniya has prioritized food security for its university community by launching a vegetable cultivation initiative. In collaboration with the Landscape unit, the Center for Sustainability Solution has successfully implemented a vegetable planting program within the university premises. As we enter the growing season, the initiative is in full swing, contributing to self-sufficiency and well-being, although it has yet to generate income.

2.14. Partnerships With External Entities

The University of Kelaniya has established formal partnerships with many national and international partners for various purposes, including academic and research activities. The following Table 6 is a summary of the agreements and memoranda of Understanding signed by the university in 2023.

Table 6: Memorandums of Understanding and Agreements

No	Name of Agreement/ MoU	Date of Signing
Memoranda of Understanding - International		
1	TOC H Institute of Science and Technology, Kerala (TIST)	20.01.2023
2	Beijing Tomorrow Technology Education Centre (Master of Business Studies), China	03.02.2023
3	Beijing Tomorrow Technology Education Centre (Master of Business Administration), China	03.02.2023
4	Graduate School of Innovation & Technology Management, Yamaguchi University, Japan	21.02.2023
5	Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University, India	23.02.2023
6	University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, UK	09.03.2023
7	Dalian Ocean University & Island Research Center, Ministry of Natural Resources, China	23.03.2023
8	Beijing Tomorrow Technology Education Centre (Master of Business Accounting), China	03.04.2023
9	Shree Dhootapapeshwar Limited, India	12.09.2023
10	Universitas Budi Luhur, Indonesia	13.09.2023
11	Universitas Budi Luhur (Letter of intent for academic cooperation), Indonesia	13.09.2023
Memoranda of Understanding - Local		
12	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) - Sri Lanka & Maldives	24.01.2023
13	Sri Lanka Teaekwondo Federation	13.02.2023
14	Altria Consulting (Private) Ltd	23.02.2023
15	KPMG Sri Lanka	03.03.2023
16	Chartered Institute of Personal Management Sri Lanka (CIPM)	16.03.2023
17	Janashakthi Limited	10.04.2023
18	Institute of Ocean Resources Analysis (Guarantee) Limited (INORA)	10.04.2023
19	H R Mates Lanka (Pvt) LTD	20.04.2023
20	Bank of Ceylon	25.04.2023
21	Orel IT (Private) Limited	13.07.2023
22	Sri Siddhartha Palm Leaf Manuscript Study & Research Institute (SSPLMSRT)	18.07.2023
23	NDB Capital Holdings Limited	10.08.2023
24	Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency, Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs	11.08.2023
25	Mastercard Singapore Holdings (Pvt) Limited	15.08.2023
26	Fortude (Pvt) Limited	01.09.2023
27	Hettigoda Industires (Pvt) Ltd -Siddhalepa	15.09.2023
28	LOLC Life Assurance Ltd / LOLC General Insurance PLC	15.12.2023
Agreements - International		
29	New Zealand Institute of Skills & Teachnology Trading as Unitec, Auckland, New Zealand	01.01.2023
30	Graduate School of Innovation & Technology Management, Yamaguchi University, Japan	21.02.2023
31	The Right Mindfulness Training Academy, Augusta, MO, USA (Supplementary Agreement)	31.03.2023
32	The Right Mindfulness Training Academy, Augusta, MO, USA (General Agreement)	31.03.2023
33	University of Waikato, New Zealand	11.04.2023
34	University of Szczecin, Poland	19.04.2023
35	Cambridge Enterprise Limited, University of Cambridge	30.05.2023
36	Benhuan Academy of Hongfa Monastery, Shenzhen, China	14.12.2023
Agreements - Local		
37	Susen Holdings (Pvt) Ltd – Patent No: 20365	26.05.2023
38	Susen Holdings (Pvt) Ltd – Patent No: 22121	26.05.2023
Agreements - Local		
39	University of Moratuwa (STHRD Project)	01.06.2023
40	University of Colombo (STHRD Project)	01.06.2023
41	Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka	16.06.2023
42	Sabaragamuwa University (STHRD Project)	18.07.2023
43	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	25.09.2023

3 STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY

The University has three categories of students: internal undergraduate students, external undergraduate students, and postgraduate students. As of December 31, 2023, the UoK had 124,669 students, including 15,390 internal undergraduates, 105,963 external undergraduate students, and 3,316 postgraduate students.

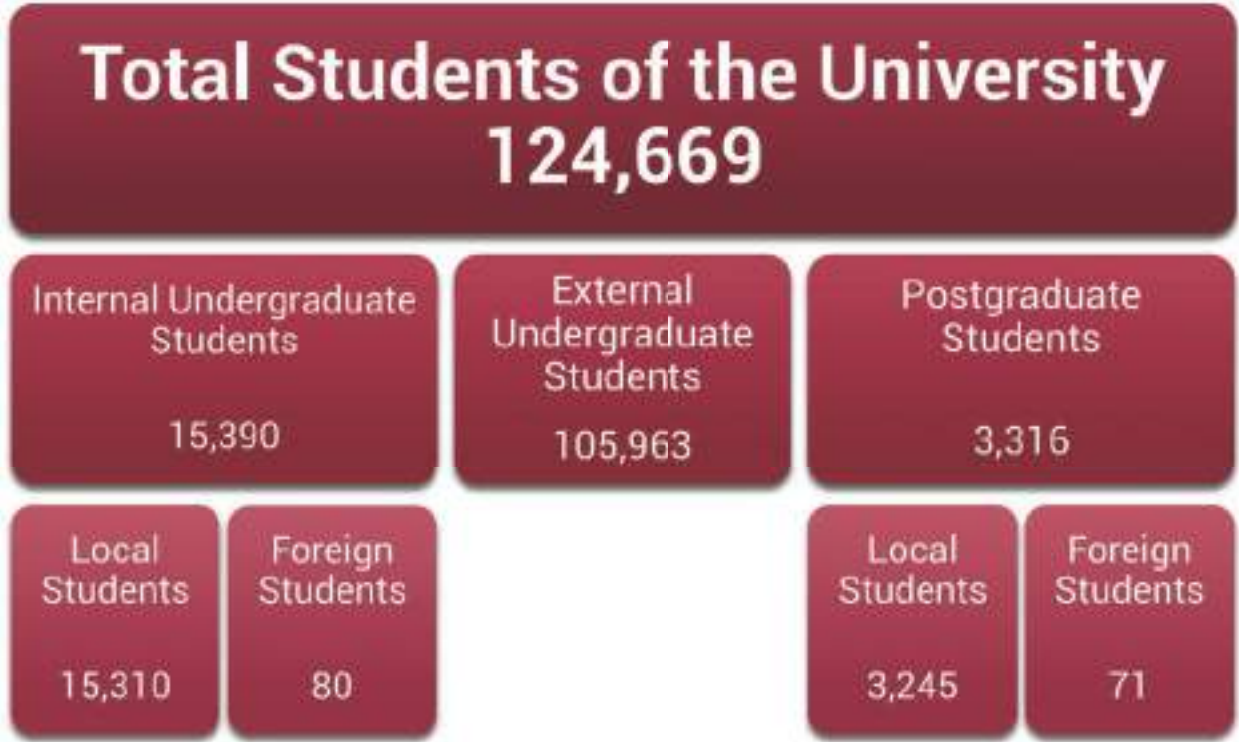


Figure 17: Students of the University as of December 31, 2023

3.1. Internal Undergraduate Students

The University of Kelaniya offers 89 bachelor’s degree programs for internal undergraduate students, 84 of which are Bachelor’s honors degrees with specializations in different subjects. In February 2023, a total of 4103 local students were enrolled in the 2021/2022 batch. As of December 31, the university has 15,310 local students for internal undergraduate programs.

The Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies has the highest internal undergraduate student population (24%), closely followed by the Faculty of Social Sciences (21%), while the Faculty of Computing & Technology has the lowest (6%).



Table 7: Total student enrollment in internal degree programs – Local Students (As of December 31, 2023)

Faculty	Name of the Program	2016/17		2017/18		2018/19		2019/20		2020/21		2021/22		Total		Total
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
FCMS	Business Management	-	-	-	-	182	365	213	481	245	479	249	493	889	1818	2707
	Commerce	-	-	-	-	64	126	81	207	76	191	90	205	311	729	1040
FCT	Computer Science	-	-	-	-	40	8	49	16	45	28	51	17	185	69	254
	Engineering Technology	-	-	-	-	71	15	89	17	83	17	85	12	328	61	389
	Information Communication Technology	-	-	-	-	43	31	64	33	65	25	12	27	184	116	300
FHU	Film & Television Studies	-	-	-	-	14	33	18	49	18	44	22	46	72	172	244
	Humanities	-	-	-	-	103	404	89	493	100	537	85	471	377	1905	2282
	Teaching English as a Second Language	-	-	-	-	2	33	2	37	3	41	1	29	8	140	148
	Translation Studies	-	-	-	-	2	22	1	27	2	38	1	27	6	114	120
FMED	MBBS	68	99	63	103	58	108	71	128	77	122	65	134	402	694	1096
	Occupational Therapy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	39	6	34	14	73	87
FSC	Speech & Hearing Sciences	-	-	-	-	6	43	3	79	10	86	3	79	22	287	309
	Applied Chemistry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	35	17	40	34	75	109
	Biological Science	-	-	-	-	18	45	41	150	52	166	51	180	162	541	703
	Electronics & Computer Science	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59	14	61	15	120	29	149
	Environmental Conservation & Management	-	-	-	-	4	11	16	65	18	75	12	73	50	224	274
	Management & Information Technology	-	-	-	-	50	30	57	52	68	61	67	55	242	198	440
	Physical Science	-	-	-	-	21	36	123	143	143	151	154	152	441	482	923
	Physical Science - ICT (Physics & Electronics)	-	-	-	-	1	1	34	22	39	21	35	30	109	74	183
	Software Engineering	-	-	-	-	37	11	40	11	43	21	40	22	160	65	225
	Sports Science	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	35	22	29	40	64	104
FSS	Peace & Conflict Resolution	-	-	-	-	6	28	6	26	5	26	3	31	20	111	131
	Social Science	-	-	-	-	97	710	95	716	83	622	91	679	366	2727	3093
Total		68	99	63	103	819	2060	1092	2752	1277	2874	1223	2880	4542	10768	15310

FCMS: Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies
FSC: Faculty of Science
FCT: Faculty of Computing & Technology
FSS: Faculty of Social Sciences
FHU: Faculty of Humanities
FMED: Faculty of Medicine
M: Male
F: Female

3.2. External Undergraduate Students

The University of Kelaniya has a total of 105,963 students enrolled in 6 external first-degree programs at the Centre for Distance and Continuing Education.

Table 8: Total student enrollment - External undergraduate programs

Program of Study	New Entrants			Total Number of Registered Students		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Bachelor of Arts (General)	356	2,502	2,858	17,250	74,503	91,753
Bachelor of Business Management (General)	165	425	590	3,974	9,399	13,373
Bachelor of Commerce (Special)	27	71	98	178	431	609
Bachelor of Science (General)	-	-	-	83	112	195
Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy	-	-	-	10	1	11
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy	-	-	-	14	8	22
Total	548	2,998	3,546	21,509	84,454	105,963

3.3. Students in Postgraduate Programs

The Faculty of Graduate Studies has a total of 3,245 local students in 2023. The majority of students enrolled in postgraduate programs are pursuing master’s degrees, from whom the majority follows programmes affiliated with the Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies.

Table 9: Total student enrollment - Postgraduate programs – Local Students (As of December 31, 2023)

BoS	Program of Study	New Entrants			Total Enrolment		
		M	F	T	M	F	T
Commerce & Business Management	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	Master of Business (Accounting/Finance)	92	72	164	92	72	164
	Master of Business Administration	56	46	102	112	100	212
	Master of Business Management in Accounting	7	4	11	7	4	11
	Master of Finance	3	3	6	3	3	6
	Master of Business Management in Marketing	27	12	39	65	24	89
	Master of Business Studies	54	55	109	54	55	109
	Master of Commerce	14	17	31	14	17	31
	Master of Human Resources Management	32	55	87	57	86	143
	Master of Professional Finance	37	44	81	37	44	81
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	1	2	3	2	3	5
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	Doctor of Business Administration	26	8	34	70	20	90
	PhD	2	2	4	4	3	7
	Total	351	320	671	517	431	948
Computing	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	MSc in Computer Science	2	3	5	12	15	27
	MSc in Information Technology in Education	0	0	0	12	16	28
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	0	1	1	0	1	1
	Total	2	4	6	24	32	56

Table 9. (continued).

BoS	Program of Study	New Entrants			Total Enrolment		
		M	F	T	M	F	T
Technology	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	0	2	2	0	2	2
	Total	0	2	2	0	2	2
Humanities	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	MA in Buddhist Studies - Sinhala (1 Year)	18	5	23	18	5	23
	MA in Buddhist Studies - English (1 Year)	3	1	4	3	1	4
	MA in Buddhist Studies - Sinhala (2 Years)	63	16	79	63	16	79
	MA in Buddhist Studies - English (2 Years)	15	2	17	15	2	17
	MA in Christian Studies (1 Year)	10	4	14	10	4	14
	MA in Drama & Theater (1 Year)	21	25	46	21	25	46
	MA in Fine Arts (2 years)	0	0	0	17	14	31
	MA in Linguistics - English (1 Year)	4	36	40	4	36	40
	MA in Linguistics - English (2 Years)	9	85	94	17	164	181
	MA in Linguistics - Sinhala (1 Year)	0	2	2	0	2	2
	MA in Linguistics - Sinhala (2 Years)	1	2	3	1	3	4
	MA in Music (2 Years)	25	24	49	40	44	84
	MA in Sinhala (2 Years)	19	73	92	34	131	165
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	12	9	21	24	19	43
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD	3	3	6	15	11	26
	Total	203	287	490	282	477	759
Medical Science	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	Master of Public Health	0	0	0	6	15	21
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	1	1	2	7	16	23
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD	1	2	3	1	5	6
	Total	2	3	5	14	36	50
Science	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	Master of Information Technology	39	33	72	39	33	72
	MSc in Analytical Chemistry	25	13	38	33	42	75
	MSc in Applied Microbiology	0	0	0	1	12	13
	MSc in Aquaculture & Fisheries Management	5	6	11	7	10	17
	MSc in Biochemistry and Biotechnology	2	27	29	12	66	78
	MSc in Crop Protection & Plant Biotechnology (1 year)	0	0	0	0	3	3
	MSc in Crop Protection & Plant Biotechnology (2 year)	0	0	0	3	20	23
	MSc in Data Analytics (1 year)	42	29	71	42	29	71
	MSc in Environmental Management (1 year)	4	2	6	4	2	6
	MSc in Environmental Management (2 years)	3	10	13	8	28	36
	MSc in Food & Nutrition	0	0	0	2	18	20
	MSc in Industrial & Environmental Chemistry	7	31	38	18	65	83
	MSc in Statistics	11	10	21	15	19	34
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	1	7	8	1	14	15
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD	0	1	1	0	1	1
	Total	139	169	308	185	362	547

Table 9. (continued).

BoS	Program of Study	New Entrants			Total Enrolment		
		M	F	T	M	F	T
Social Sciences	POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA (PG. Dip...)						
	Public Relations and Media Management	24	9	33	24	9	33
	MASTER'S DEGREE						
	MA in Archeology	6	11	17	6	11	17
	MA in Economics	32	42	74	32	42	74
	MA in Economics (English Medium)	4	16	20	4	16	20
	MA in Geography	9	19	28	9	19	28
	MA in History	8	20	28	8	20	28
	MA in Library Information Science	0	20	20	0	20	20
	MA in Mass Communication	28	67	95	28	67	95
	MA in Philosophy	7	17	24	7	17	24
	MA in Political Science	19	31	50	19	31	50
	MA in Sociology (English Medium)	5	15	20	5	15	20
	MA in Sociology (Sinhala Medium)	54	169	223	54	169	223
	MSSc in Economics (English Medium)	4	16	20	4	16	20
	MSSc in Economics (Sinhala Medium)	32	42	74	32	42	74
	MSSc in Geography	0	5	5	0	5	5
	MSSc in History	0	5	5	0	5	5
	MSSc in Library Information Science	3	18	21	3	18	21
	MSSc in Mass Communication	9	40	49	9	40	49
	MSSc in Political Science	0	4	4	0	4	4
	MSSc in Sociology (English Medium)	0	3	3	0	3	3
	MSSc in Sociology (Sinhala Medium)	1	4	5	1	4	5
	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	4	3	7	13	9	22
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD	0	0	0	7	8	15
	Total	249	576	825	265	590	855
Multi-Disciplinary Studies	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	0	1	1	2	3	5
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD in Multi-Disciplinary Studies	5	4	9	7	6	13
	Total	5	5	10	9	9	18
Digital Learning	MPHIL STUDIES						
	MPhil	0	0	0	0	1	1
	DOCTORAL STUDIES						
	PhD in Digital Learning	0	0	0	4	5	9
	Total	0	0	0	4	6	10
Grand Total		951	1366	2317	1300	1945	3245

F: Female M: Male T: Total

3.4. Foreign Students

The University of Kelaniya has 25 foreign undergraduate students newly enrolled in the degree programs conducted by the Faculty of Humanities and Faculty of Medicine in 2023 for the academic year 2021/22. Moreover, 60 students have enrolled in 12 postgraduate programs offered by the University of Kelaniya. Consequently, the overall foreign student enrollment at the University in 2023 was 80 students in undergraduate degree programs and 71 in postgraduate programs. Total foreign enrollment has increased by 66% over the previous year.

Table 10: Foreign students - Undergraduate degree programs

Faculty	Program of Study	Year of Study	Country	Year of Intake	Student Enrolment		
					M	F	T
FHU	Humanities	1	America	2021/22	1	-	1
			Bangladesh		12	-	12
			China		1	-	1
			Korea		1	-	1
			Malaysia		1	-	1
			Myanmar		2	-	2
			Vietnam		1	-	1
		2	Bangladesh	2020/21	3	-	3
			China		-	2	2
			Malaysia		-	1	1
			Vietnam		1	2	3
		3	Bangladesh	2019/20	2	-	2
			Cambodia		1	-	1
			Hong Kong		1	-	1
			Myanmar		3	-	3
			Norway		-	1	1
			Vietnam		1	1	2
			4		Bangladesh	2018/19	1
		Myanmar		1	-		1
		Vietnam		1	2		3
FMED	Medicine	1	Australia	2021/22	-	1	1
			Bhutan		1	2	3
			Saudi Arabia		-	2	2
		2	Bhutan	2020/21	1	5	6
			India		-	1	1
			Qatar		-	1	1
			Saudi Arabia		1	1	2
			UAE		1	-	1
		3	Bhutan	2019/20	2	4	6
			Canada		-	1	1
			Qatar		1	-	2
			Saudi Arabia		1	1	1
		4	Saudi Arabia	2018/19	-	1	1
		5	Bhutan	2017/18	-	3	3
			USA		-	1	1
		5	Bhutan	2016/17	-	5	5
Grand Total					42	38	80

FHU: Faculty of Humanities FMED: Faculty of Medicine F: Female M: Male T: Total

Table 11: Foreign students - Postgraduate degree programs

BoS	Program of Study	Country	New Entrants (2023)			Student Enrolment		
			M	F	T	M	F	T
Commerce & Business Management	Master's Programs							
	Master of Business Administration	Bangladesh	0	0	0	5	4	9
	Master of Business Studies	China	20	12	32	20	12	32
	Doctoral Programs							
	Doctor of Business Administration	China	0	0	0	1	1	2
	PhD	Bangladesh	1	1	2	1	1	2
Computing	Doctoral Programs							
	PhD	Canada	1	0	1	1	0	1
Humanities	Master's Programs							
	MA in Buddhist Studies (1 year) - Benhuan	China	12	0	12	12	0	12
	Master's Programs							
	MA in Buddhist Studies (1 year)	Singapore	1	0	1	1	0	1
	MA in Buddhist Studies (2 years)	China	1	0	1	1	0	1
		India	1	0	1	1	0	1
		Malaysia	1	0	1	1	0	1
	MA in Buddhist Studies (2 years)	Myanmar	0	1	1	0	1	1
	MA in Sinhala	China	2	3	5	2	3	5
Science	Master's Programs							
	MSc in Statistics (2 years)	India	0	1	1	0	1	1
Multi-Disciplinary Studies	MPhil Programs							
	MPhil	Finland	1	0	1	1	0	1
	Doctoral Programs							
	PhD	Bangladesh	1	0	1	1	0	1
Grand Total			42	18	60	48	23	71

F: Female M: Male T: Total

4 GRADUATE OUTPUT AND PERFORMANCE OF STUDENTS

The examinations are held under three types of programs at the University of Kelaniya each year: internal undergraduate degree programs, external undergraduate degree programs, and postgraduate programs. 3,160 students completed their first degrees in 2023, while 1,217 completed postgraduate courses, and 4,008 students graduated from external undergraduate programs.

4.1. Graduate Output - Undergraduate Degree Programs

A proportion of 11.3% of the total graduates passed in 2023 represent students who obtained first-class degrees. A majority of 52.5% of the passed-out students in 2023 have got second class (upper division) degrees and 15.1% of total graduates have second class (lower division) degrees. Out of the total of 3,160, 21.1% have graduated with an ordinary pass. (Table 14).

4.2. Graduate Output - External Undergraduate Programs

The undergraduate output of the external degree programs in 2023 was 4,008 whereas the highest output was from the BA (General) degree program.

Table 12: Undergraduate output - External degree programs¹¹

Program of Study	Number of Graduates		
	Male	Female	Total
Bachelor of Arts (General)	399	3,412	3,811
Bachelor of Business Management (General)	28	159	187
Bachelor of Commerce (Special)	0	10	10
Grand Total	427	3,581	4,008

4.3. Graduate Output – Postgraduate Programs

Postgraduate output for the year 2023 was 1,217 with the vast majority of these (1,112) graduating from master's degree programs (Tables 13 and 15).

Table 13: Summary of the postgraduate output

Type of Program	Output
Postgraduate Certificate Programs	1
Postgraduate Diploma Programs	38
Master's Degree Programs	1,112
Master of Philosophy Programs	22
Doctor of Philosophy Programs	44
Total	1,217

¹¹ These figures contain only the number of students who graduated in 2023.

Table 14: Undergraduate output - Internal degree programs

Faculty	Program of Study	Total Number Graduated										Faculty Total	
		First Class		Second Upper		Second Lower		Pass		Total			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
FCMS	Business Management	16	83	72	167	46	55	55	20	189	325	705	
	Commerce	3	12	20	56	21	39	19	21	63	128		
	Computer Science	7	2	16	2	6	1	4	0	33	5		
FCT	Engineering Technology	3	1	14	2	14	2	20	1	51	6	152	
	Information Communication Technology	3	1	10	2	10	3	22	6	45	12		
	Film & Television Studies	2	5	13	21	1	2	3	4	19	32		
FHU	Humanities - General Degree	-	10	6	73	3	9	7	11	16	103	627	
	Humanities - Honors Degree	9	61	31	230	5	17	15	38	60	346		
	Teaching English as a Second Language	-	-	1	16	-	6	-	5	1	27		
	Translation Studies	-	2	2	15	-	3	-	1	2	21		
	MBBS	1	2	8	14	21	34	39	43	69	93		
	Speech & Hearing Sciences	-	8	-	7	-	9	1	14	1	38		
FMED	Biological Science - General Degree	-	4	7	27	8	23	14	17	29	71	624	
	Biological Science - Honors Degree	4	20	4	25	1	-	-	1	9	46		
	Environmental Conservation & Management	-	-	2	15	2	7	5	6	9	28		
	Environmental Conservation and Management - Honors Degree	-	7	-	4	3	-	-	-	3	11		
	Management and Information Technology - General Degree (Exit Point)	1	-	3	3	1	-	11	4	16	7		
	Management and Information Technology - Honors Degree	3	5	16	17	4	2	6	3	29	27		
	Physical Science - General Degree	1	6	11	19	24	29	68	43	104	97		
	Physical Science - Honors Degree	10	12	11	22	3	3	4	3	28	40		
	Physical Science - ICT (Physics & Electronics)	-	-	1	1	2	2	7	2	10	5		
	Software Engineering	6	2	9	6	5	3	23	1	43	12		
FSS	Peace & Conflict Resolution	-	-	3	24	2	2	-	-	5	26	851	
	Social Science - General Degree	-	4	1	61	4	9	4	12	9	86		
	Social Science - Honors Degree	-	42	59	510	10	20	31	53	100	625		
	Grand Total	69	289	320	1339	196	280	358	309	943	2217		3160
FCMS: Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies		FCT: Faculty of Computing & Technology				FHU: Faculty of Humanities				FMED: Faculty of Medicine			
FSC: Faculty of Science		FSS: Faculty of Social Sciences				F: Female				M: Male			

Table 15: Postgraduate Output

Board of Study	Name of the Program of Study	Degree	Number Graduated		
			M	F	T
Postgraduate Certificate Programs					
FSS	PG Certificate in Mass Communication	PC	0	1	1
		Total	0	1	1
Postgraduate Diploma Programs					
FCMS	PG Diploma in Business Administration	PD	2	1	3
	PG Diploma in Commerce	PD	3	5	8
	PG Diploma in Human Resources Management	PD	2	2	4
FHU	PG Diploma in Sinhala	PD	1	0	1
FSC	PG Diploma in Information Technology	PD	5	2	7
	PG Diploma in Food & Nutrition	PD	0	1	1
FSS	PG Diploma in Economics	PD	3	1	4
	PG Diploma in Mass Communication	PD	3	3	6
	PG Diploma in Political Science	PD	1	0	1
	PG Diploma in Sociology	PD	1	2	3
	Total		21	17	38
Master's Degree Programs					
FCMS	Master of Business (Accounting)	MBus	2	4	6
	Master of Business (Finance)	MBus	0	2	2
	Master of Business Administration	MBA	76	45	121
	Master of Business Studies	MBS	47	63	110
	Master of Commerce	MCom	3	7	10
	Master of Human Resources Management	MHRM	26	17	43
	Master of Business Management in Marketing	MBM	21	3	24
FHU	Master of Arts in Christian Studies	MA	4	11	15
	Master of Arts in Dancing	MA	19	20	39
	Master of Arts in Drama & Theatre	MA	10	42	52
	Master of Arts in Linguistics (1 year)	MA	17	72	89
	Master of Arts in Linguistics (2 years)	MA	1	0	1
	Master of Arts in Music	MA	0	1	1
	Master of Arts in Sinhala (1 year)	MA	6	27	33
FSC	Master of Arts in Sinhala (2 years)	MA	19	22	41
	Master of Crop Protection & Plant Biotechnology	MCPPB	3	9	12
	Master of Environmental Management	MEM	1	3	4
	Master of Information Technology	MIT	33	26	59
	Master of Science in Applied Microbiology	MSc	0	2	2
	Master of Science in Biochemistry and Biotechnology (1 year)	MSc	0	4	4
	Master of Science in Crop Protection & Plant Biotechnology (2 years)	MSc	1	3	4
	Master of Science in Environmental Management (2 years)	MSc	1	2	3
	Master of Science Industrial & Environmental Chemistry (1 year)	MSc	14	16	30
	Master of Science in Industrial & Environmental Chemistry (2 years)	MSc	2	9	11
FSS	Master of Arts in Archaeology	MA	10	8	18
	Master of Arts in Economics	MA	0	1	1
	Master of Arts in Geography	MA	14	33	47
	Master of Arts in History	MA	8	22	30
	Master of Arts in Library & Information Science	MA	0	6	6
	Master of Arts in Philosophy	MA	10	6	16
	Master of Arts in Political Science	MA	14	37	51
	Master of Arts in Sociology	MA	52	156	208
	Master of Social Science in Archaeology (2 years)	MSSc	0	2	2
	Master of Social Science in Geography (2 years)	MSSc	1	6	7
	Master of Social Science in History (2 years)	MSSc	1	1	2
	Master of Social Science in Library & Information Science (2 years)	MSSc	3	0	3
	Master of Social Science in Mass Communication (2 years)	MSSc	2	3	5
		Total	421	691	1112

Table 15. (continued).

Board of Study	Name of the Program of Study	Degree	Number Graduated		
			M	F	T
MPhil Degree Programs					
FCMS	Master of Philosophy	MPhil	0	1	1
FHU	Master of Philosophy	MPhil	2	8	10
FMED	Master of Philosophy	MPhil	0	1	1
FSS	Master of Philosophy	MPhil	5	5	10
Total			7	15	22
Doctoral Degree Programs					
FCMS	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	10	3	13
FHU	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	7	3	10
FMED	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	2	5	7
FSC	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	2	3	5
FSS	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	4	5	9
Total			25	19	44
Grand Total			474	743	1217

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FHU: Faculty of Humanities
FSC: Faculty of Science
F: Female

FCT: Faculty of Computing & Technology
FMED: Faculty of Medicine
FSS: Faculty of Social Sciences
M: Male

4.4. Convocations of 2023

Convocations were held on 11 days during 2023, and degrees were conferred on 11,812 graduates as follows.

Table 16: Convocations and number of students conferred with degrees

Faculty/ Institution/ CDCE	Number of Graduates
Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies	1,381
Faculty of Computing & Technology	178
Faculty of Graduate Studies	2,102
Faculty of Humanities	631
Faculty of Medicine	214
Faculty of Science	593
Faculty of Social Sciences	878
Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute	141
CDCE	5,136
Postgraduate Institute of Pali & Buddhist Studies	498
Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology	60
Total	11,812

5 THE STAFF OF THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Kelaniya has a workforce of 1497 permanent members spread across four main categories: 690 individuals constitute the educational faculty, 34 serve in administrative roles, 45 are engaged in academic support roles, and 728 are part of the non-academic staff. Overall, 53.9% of the workforce identifies as male. With the exception of the academic support and non-academic staff, where male representation surpasses females, the remaining academic, library, and administrative and financial sectors exhibit a higher concentration of female employees. The non-academic staff category holds the highest number of employees, while the administrative staff category reports the fewest.

The University also has a contingent workforce, including individuals on a temporary, assignment, and contract basis. As of December 31, 2023, there were 431 staff members employed under temporary and assignment/contract terms, making up 28.8% of the total workforce.



Figure 18: Employee categorization¹²

¹² Employee categorization according to the Director General of the Department of Management Services by the letter No. DMS/1528(s) vol-1 and dated 06.11.2019.

5.1. Approved Cadre and Existing Staff

Table 17: Existing staff of the university

Staff category	Salary Scale	Approved Cadre	Existing Staff						Assignment/ Contract		
			Permanent			Temporary					
			M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Academic Staff	U-AC 3 to U-AC 5	829	318	360	678	-	-	-	9	11	20
	U-AC 1 to U-AC 2	295	-	-	-	91	271	362	-	-	-
Library Staff	U-AC 5	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-AC 4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-AC 3	12	3	8	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative & Financial Staff	U-EX 3	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-EX 2	15	5	9	14	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-EX 1	15	2	11	13	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Executive Staff	U-EX 2	5	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-EX 1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Officers	U-MO 2	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MO 1	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2
Academic Support Staff	U-AS 2	52	18	7	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-AS 1		5	15	20	-	-	-	-	-	-
Technical Staff	U-EX 2	143	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-EX 1		3	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 4		23	12	35	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 3		3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 2		1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 1		2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MT 1		38	24	62	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clerical & Allied Staff	U-MN 4	334	24	59	83	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 3		11	7	18	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 2		4	3	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-MN 1		63	125	188	-	-	-	-	-	-
Primary Staff	U-PL 3	409	73	3	76	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-PL 2		38	17	55	-	-	-	-	-	-
	U-PL 1		165	25	190	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	16	47
Total		2138	807	690	1497	91	271	362	41	28	69

F: Female M: Male T: Total

5.2. Employee Classification

Table 18: Employee classification of the permanent staff

Service Category	Salary Code	Permanent Staff		
		Male	Female	Total
Senior Level				
Professors/ Senior Professors/Librarian	U-AC 5	103	74	177
Associate Professors	U-AC 4	2	1	3
Lecturers/ Senior Assistant Librarian/ Assistant Librarian	U-AC 3	217	293	510
Senior Executives	U-EX 3	1	1	2
Middle-Level Executives	U-EX 2	9	9	18
Chief Medical Officer	U-MO 2	1	-	1
Medical Officer	U-MO 1	1	-	1
Tertiary Level				
Academic support- Segment 1	U-AS 2	18	7	25
Junior Executives/ Managers	U-EX 1	5	15	20
Academic support- Segment 2	U-AS 1	5	15	20
Secondary Level				
Staff Assistant/ Supra & Senior Staff Assistant	U-MN 4	47	71	118
Associate Officers- Segment 1	U-MN 3	14	7	21
Associate Officers- Segment 2	U-MN 2	5	3	8
Management Assistant- Technical	U-MT 1	38	24	62
Management Assistant- Non-Technical	U-MN 1	65	125	190
Primary Level				
Primary Grade- Skilled	U-PL 3	73	3	76
Primary Grade- Semiskilled	U-PL 2	38	17	55
Primary Grade- Unskilled	U-PL 1	165	25	190
Total		807	690	1497

5.3. Highest Academic Qualifications of Staff

Table 19: Highest academic qualifications of the permanent staff

Highest Qualification	Staff Category				Number of Staff
	Primary Level	Secondary Level	Tertiary Level	Senior Level	
Up to GCE O/L	138	4			142
Passed GCE O/L	86	15			101
Passed GCE A/L	89	246	3		338
Completed Diploma	1	29	6	1	37
Bachelor's Degree/ PG Diploma	7	91	36	113	247
Master's Degree		13	18	176	207
MPhil or Equivalent Degree		-	1	68	69
Doctoral Degree		1	1	354	356
Total	321	399	65	712	1497

6 RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

The University of Kelaniya has recognized research as a top priority. The research council of the university started a new grant scheme in 2023 for publishing papers and repair and maintenance of equipment, which will be effective from 2024. The staff of the University of Kelaniya has made 963 publications in 2023 altogether, of which 342 were published in SCOPUS-indexed journals. Moreover, the university has obtained three patents and had twelve Science & Technology outputs in 2023.

6.1. Research & Publications – 2023

Of the research publication output in 2023, the highest number (356) comprised abstract publications in conference proceedings. Moreover, 342 articles were published in refereed indexed journals, mostly in foreign journals. Apart from that, the University staff has published 44 book chapters and 12 textbooks during the year.

Table 20: Research & publications output of the University

Publication Category		Number	
		Local	Foreign
1	Publications in refereed indexed journals including e-journals	39	303
2	Publications in refereed non-indexed journals including e-journals	75	49
3	Conference Proceedings		
	3.1 Papers published as full papers	66	19
	3.2 Abstract publications	273	83
4	Book Chapters published	16	28
5	Books/Textbooks published in the field of expertise		
	5.1 By a publisher	9	-
	5.2 By an author	2	1

6.2. Research Symposia – 2023

The Research Council of the University of Kelaniya grants funding for the research conferences and symposia organized by the University of Kelaniya each year. In 2023 the Research Council has provided funding for 23 research symposiums in the University.

Table 21: Research symposia held in 2023 funded by Research Council

Faculty	No	Description
FCMS	01	11 th Students' Research Symposium, 03 rd March 2023, Department of Finance
	02	12 th Students' Research Symposium, 23 rd November 2023, Department of Finance
	03	International Conference on Business & Information (ICBI) – 2023, 10 th November 2023
	04	International Conference for Accounting Researchers and Educators (ICARE), 01 st February 2024, Department of Accountancy
	05	10 th HRM Student Symposium 2023, 19 th February 2024, Department of Human Resource Management
	06	Sri Lanka Forum of Entrepreneurship 2024, 15 th March 2024



Table 21: (continued).

Faculty	No	Description
FCT	07	Student Research Symposium, 11 th November 2023, Department of Software Engineering
	08	Student Research Symposium, 11 th November 2023, Department of Computer System Engineering (RS-DCSE)-2023
FCT	09	Student Research Symposium, 25 th November 2023, Department of Applied Computing (RS-DAC) - 2023
	10	International Conference in Advances of Technology and Computing (ICATC) – 2023, 15 th December 2023
FGS	11	International Postgraduate Research Conference (IPRC) 2023, 24 th November 2023
FHU	12	International Conference on the Humanities 2023, 27 th and 28 th July 2023
	13	National Conference on Sinhala Studies, 24 th October 2023, Department of Sinhala
FHU	14	12 th Symposium of the ICTM's study group on Music and Minorities and Indigenous Music and Dance, 05 th to 08 th December 2023, Department of Fine Arts
	15	Humanities Undergraduate Research Symposium 2023, 8 th and 9 th February 2024
FMED	16	"Young Researchers' Symposium 2023", 12 th May 2023
FSC	17	International Conference on Applied and Pure Sciences (ICAPS) – 2023, 13 th October 2023
	18	International Conference on Developmentalism Vs Wellbeing of South Asian Societies 2023, 23 rd to 24 th February 2023, Department of Geography
	19	National Conference on Historical Studies 2023, 01 st March 2023, Department of History
FSS	20	Students' Conference on Historical Studies 2023, 02 nd March 2023, Department of History
	21	Student Research Symposium 2023, 30 th May 2023, Department of Political Science
	22	5 th International Conference on Library and Information Management, 29 th November 2023, Department of Library and Information Science
Library	23	"Mining Treasures from Secondary Information Sources" Multidisciplinary Desk Research Conference 2023, 06 th December 2023

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FHU: Faculty of Humanities
FSC: Faculty of Science
FGS: Faculty of Graduate Studies

FCT: Faculty of Computing & Technology
FMED: Faculty of Medicine
FSS: Faculty of Social Sciences

6.3. Internal Research Grants – 2023

In 2023, as in previous years, all academic staff were invited to submit applications for university research grants, using a pre-set application form, by a specified closing date, subject to a maximum of Rs 500,000.00. Applications were reviewed by internal reviewers (applications up to Rs 300,000/-) or external reviewers nominated by the Faculty Board. Review comments were shared with the applicants, and on incorporation of the corrections, applications were submitted for the recommendation of the University Research & Publications Committee, and approval by the Senate and the Council. Grantees are required to enter into an agreement with the University. Progress is monitored by the Research & Publications through 6-monthly progress reports and final reports.

Accordingly, the applications of 31 academic staff members from the Faculties of Commerce & Management Studies, Computing & Technology, Medicine, Science and Social Sciences for university academic research grants worth LKR 6,750,409.00 have been processed in 2023. Details are provided in below Table 22.

Table 22: Details of Internal Research Grants 2023

Faculty	Number of Research Grants Applied for	Amount of Funds Requested (LKR)
Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies	01	150,000.00
Faculty of Computing & Technology	03	900,000.00
Faculty of Humanities	01	150,000.00
Faculty of Medicine	06	1,273,229.00
Faculty of Science	18	3,677,180.00
Faculty of Social Sciences	02	600,000.00
Grand Total	31	6,750,409.00

6.4. Patents – 2023

Table 23: Patents received by the University of Kelaniya in 2023

Name of the Patent	Name/s of the Patent Holder/s	Date of Receiving the Patent
A composition for use of enhance the intestinal absorption of phenolic antioxidants	Prof. Kapila Seneviratne, Prof. Nimanthi Jayathilaka, Ms. W. M. T. D. N. Weerakoon, Ms. N. V. Piyumika Anjali	24.05.2023
Vacuum manifold for column-based solid phase extraction	Prof. Kapila Seneviratne, Prof. Nimanthi Jayathilaka, Prof. S.R. D. Kalingamudali, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Ms. Tashmi Tharuka Divyanjalee Manilgama	24.05.2023
A Method for Eradicating Insect Pests in Books and Other Paper Materials Stored in Libraries	L. M. U. P. Cabral, Prof. L. D. Amarasinghe	09.05.2023

Table 24: Patents filed by the University of Kelaniya in 2023

Name of the Patent	Name/s of the Patent Holder/s	Patent Filing Date
Smart Battery-Less Identification Card with Location Tracking and Attendance Monitoring Capabilities	Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	13-03-2023
Automated Stand-alone Wireless Water Quality Monitoring and Rainwater Harvesting System	Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	13-03-2023
Low-cost retrofittable energized electric fence with breakage location detection	Mr. B. Thilina Pathum Bodaragama, Mr. A. H. Charith Athawuda, Ms. G. G. Prabodha Chandani, Ms. M. A. W. S. Nethmini Tharushika Gunawardhana, Dr. Jehan Amila Seneviratne, Dr. K. D. Binuka Hasan Gunawardana, Mr. Sachitha Viranga Senanayake, Ms. Hiruni Bhagya Leanage	23-06-2023
A Smart portable multi-functional component tester	Mr. Pramod Eshan Hettigoda, Mr. K. A. Miyuru Praveen Ravihara, Mr. R. M. Chamika Sapumal Bandara, Mr. S. A. Chamuditha Nirmal, Mr. R. H. Malitha Dilshan Premasiri, Ms. L. Nipuni Sulakkhana, Dr. Jehan Amila Seneviratne, Dr. K. D. Binuka Hasan Gunawardana	23-06-2023
An Automated System and Method for Monitoring Near Real-Time Audience Measurement based on Media Consumers Engagement via Infrared (IR) Remote Controller	Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Mr. Raveen Seneviratne, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	24-11-2023
Internet Independent Wireless Real-Time Water Quality Monitoring Unit (Industrial Design)	Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	24-05-2023
Safety Electrical Switch (Industrial Design)	Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	24-05-2023

Table 25: Patents licensed by the University of Kelaniya in 2023

Name of the Patent	Name/s of the Patent Holder/s	Patent Licensed Date
Addressable Data Communication System for Industry Automation and IIoT Based on Controller Area Network (CAN) Protocol	Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	09.03.2023
Artificial intelligence based smart liquid petroleum gas level indicator (Industrial Design)	Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali	26.05.2023
Auto removing regulator for liquefied petroleum gas Cylinders and Electricity CUT-OFF system at Gas Leakages	Senior Professor. S. R. D. Kalingamudali, Professor A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Mr. R. M. I. U. Rajapaksha, Mr. P. S. Hasaranga Perera, Mr. P. K. D. Madhuranga Nandasena, Mr. P. S. T. Kanishka Gunarathna, Mr. P. P. D. Gihan Kanishka	26.05.2023
System & Method for addressable data communication, processing, control, and visualization based on RF wireless communication with or without an Internet connection	Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali.	21.06.2023
Neutral connection-free liquid-petroleum-gas/propane sensitive safety electrical switch	Mr. R. M. Ishara Udayantha Rajapaksha, Mr. M. P. A. V. Gunawardhena, Mr. L. D. Pubudu Sanjuka Jayasekara, Mr. Tharindu Niroshan Gurusinghe, Ms. Hiruni Eranga Wijesooriya, Dr. P. L. A. K. Piyumal, Dr. A. L. A. K. Ranaweera, Dr. K. M. D. C. Jayathilaka, Dr. Jehan	21.06.2023
Neutral connection-free liquid-petroleum-gas/propane sensitive safety electrical switch	Seneviratne, Prof. L. B. D. R. P. Wijesundera, Prof. S. R. D. Kalingamudali.	21.06.2023

6.5. Science & Technology Development Output - 2023

Table 26: S & T development output in 2023

Name of the Science and Technology Development Output	Status
Development of new products/processes	
Neutral Less Smart Switch	Commercialized
Organic Fertilizer Manufacturing Apparatus and Granulating Apparatus	Developed
Improvement of the quality of existing product /processes	
Coconut Oil Management System (a semi-automatic device and a system to fill coconut oil cans)	Developed
Development of ' Import ' substitutes	
Blue butterfly pea flower powder and extract as alternatives for synthetic dyes	Developed
Design Prototypes developed	
Taekwondo head guard and chest guard for training and scoring purposes	Developed
Multitasking sensor equipped mini hydraulic press machine	Developed
An eco-friendly toothbrush with a reusable handle and a replaceable head	Developed
Domestic scale double barrel unit for solid waste carbonization	Developed
Internet Independent Wireless real-time water quality monitoring unit	Developed
Safety Electrical Switch	Commercialized
Other	
Data set for the prevalence of nausea and vomiting during pregnancy between females with thalassemia and non-thalassemic healthy women	Commercialized
E learning content developed for Faculty of Agriculture university of Peradeniya on "How to develop a mobile app to sell agriculture product"	Developed

7 STUDENT WELFARE FACILITIES

Beyond their academic studies, students at the University of Kelaniya are afforded the use of various facilities. These include access to the library, scholarships, university hostels, canteens, medical centre, sports facilities, laboratory facilities and information & communication technology facilities, and many more.

In 2023, 5156 undergraduate students received Mahapola scholarships, and 3752 students received bursaries. Mahapola scholarship recipients receive LKR 5,000.00 per installment, while bursary recipients receive LKR 4000.00 per installment for 10 installments per academic year. In addition to these, several other scholarships offered by the Alumni Association of the University of Kelaniya, Faculty Alumni of the Faculty of Science, and specific academic Departments are also available to undergraduate students.

7.1. Scholarships

Table 27: Number of Mahapola and Bursary scholarship recipients

Faculty	Year of Intake	Year of Study	No. of Students Received	
			Mahapola	Bursary
FCMS	2021/22	1	-	557
	2020/21	2	482	174
	2019/20	3	457	180
	2018/19	4	511	51
	Total		1450	962
FCT	2021/22	1	128	134
	2020/21	2	168	11
	2019/20	3	135	18
	2018/19	4		8
	Total		431	171
FHU & FSS	2021/22	1	669	986
	2020/21	2	695	356
	2019/20	3	817	444
	2018/19	4		64
	Total		2181	1850
FMED	2021/22	1	-	109
	2020/21	2	115	30
	2019/20	3	98	26
	2018/19	4	91	6
	2017/18	5	61	3
	2016/17	5	-	-
	Total		365	174
FSC	2021/22	1	-	333
	2020/21	2	370	123
	2019/20	3	259	111
	2018/19	4	100	28
	Total		729	595
Grand Total			5156	3752

The University of Kelaniya also offers many scholarships and prizes to support students in addition to the provision of Bursary and Mahapola scholarships.

These scholarships and prizes are based on donations from donors who were genuinely interested in investing in the future of students, which fall into two main types - those offered to needy students and those offered to students with outstanding performance. The scholarships offered to needy students are financial support provided over a long period, and students are selected by calling applications. The prizes offered to outstanding students are one-time awards, made as cash prizes or medals based on their performance at the 1st year or final examinations. There are 35 scholarships and prizes operating at present. All these scholarships and prizes have criteria specific to them, which are either proposed by the donors themselves or modified by the respective departments of study as applicable to meet the needs of students and based on the funds available.

The scholarships and prizes are implemented upon obtaining the approval of the respective Faculty Board and Senate of the University of Kelaniya for their criteria and with subsequent approval for selected students for each academic year. Recently attention was drawn to the fact that a substantial interest remains unutilized in the respective accounts. Accordingly, actions were taken to revise the criteria to meet the current needs as well as to increase the benefit to the students concerned. It is expected that this series of revisions will help ensure the utilization of the interest balance to the optimum capacity in serving the needs of the students.



7.2. Hostel Facilities

In terms of housing, the University of Kelaniya provides accommodation to most students who request hostels. A total of 5,961 undergraduates from the Faculties of Commerce & Management Studies, Computing & Technology, Humanities, Science and Social Sciences were provided with hostel facilities in and around the university premises at Dalugama, while the Faculty of Medicine at Ragama provided hostel facilities for all students who requested them. In 2023, a new hostel was added to the rented hostel facility.

Table 28: Hostel recipients in 2023

Faculty	Year of Study	Year of Intake	No. of students who received Hostel facilities		
			Male	Female	Total
FCMS	1	2021/22	87	226	313
	2	2020/21	66	137	203
	3	2019/20	53	177	230
	4	2018/19	42	174	216
FCT	1	2021/22	37	22	59
	2	2020/21	44	27	71
	3	2019/20	23	26	49
	4	2018/19	22	17	39
FHU & FSS	1	2021/22	141	616	757
	2	2020/21	137	584	721
	3	2019/20	93	519	612
	4	2018/19	63	763	826
FMED	1	2021/22	42	62	104
	2	2020/21	78	223	301
	3	2019/20	68	186	254
	4	2018/19	51	105	156
	5	2017/18	54	91	145
FSC	5	2016/17	62	93	155
	1	2020/21	95	82	177
	2	2019/20	81	77	158
	3	2018/19	90	116	206
	4	2017/18	97	112	209
Total			1526	4435	5961

8 SPORTS ACTIVITIES

The University of Kelaniya has excellent facilities to support a range of different sports. These include the facilities shown in the following table and support for the teams listed in the next Table.

Table 29: Sports facilities

Indoor Stadiums	New Indoor Gymnasium
	Student Centre Gymnasium
	Gymnasium, Faculty of Medicine, Ragama
	Strength Training Centre, Kelaniya
	Strength Training Centre, Kannangara Hostel premises
	Physical Fitness Centre, Girls Hostel Chain
Outdoor Stadiums	Carrom Premises
	Main Ground, Kelaniya
	Ground No. 2, Kelaniya
	Outdoor Basketball Court
	Tennis Court
	Outdoor Volleyball Court 1
	Outdoor Netball Court
	Outdoor Basketball Court, Faculty of Medicine
	Outdoor Netball & Volleyball Court, Faculty of Medicine

Table 30: Sports events

Aerobic Gymnastics	(Men & Women)	Para Sports	(Men & Women)
Badminton	(Men & Women)	Rifle Shooting	(Men & Women)
Baseball	(Men)	Rugger	(Men)
Basketball	(Men & Women)	Scrabble	(Men & Women)
Boxing	(Men)	Swimming	(Men & Women)
Carrom	(Men & Women)	Table Tennis	(Men & Women)
Chess	(Men & Women)	Taekwondo	(Men & Women)
Cricket	(Men)	Tennis	(Men & Women)
Elle	(Men & Women)	Track & Field	(Men & Women)
Football	(Men & Women)	Volleyball	(Men & Women)
Hockey	(Men & Women)	Weightlifting	(Men & Women)
Judo	(Men & Women)	Wrestling	(Men & Women)
Kabaddi	(Men & Women)	Wushu	(Men & Women)
Karate	(Men & Women)	Yoga	(Men & Women)
Netball	(Women)		

Total No. of Teams (Men & Women)	-	52
Total No. of Pool Members	-	911
Number of Students involved in Competitive Sports	-	1,902
Number of Students involved in sports at recreational level	-	2,211



8.1. Sports Training Programmes & Events

A total of 1786 training sessions were held, starting on January 05, 2023, and ending on December 31, 2023, for all sports. Also, 88 students have been appointed as Captains & Vice Captains (Men & Women) for 27 sports disciplines, apart from Para sports & yoga.

Table 31: Events held in 2023 and participation

Events	Number of Participants (Students)
Training Programme	2411
Freshers' Sports Programme for all faculties	893
Inter-Faculty Championships (for 26 sports disciplines)	Scheduled to be in February 2024
Sports Education Segment	182
Number of Friendly & Dual Matches	131 (1711 students)
Number of International Competitions participated	02
Number of Students, Participated in International Competitions	03
Number of Annual Colours Recipients	276
Number of Participants for Staff Sports Competitions	124

8.2. Performances at International Competitions in 2023

● International Achievement in YOGA

D.M. Sanchila Prabath, undergraduate of University of Kelaniya won the first place in Yoga Professional Category of the ‘Yoga My Pride International Competition’ organized by the Consulate Council of India under the supervision of Dr. Leelananda Wikramarachchi and Visiting Instructor in Physical Education (Yoga) Mr. Priyantha Hettige, presenting a straight angle yoga pose (samakonasana).

● Asian Games 2023 Hangzhou, China

Sayuri Lakshima Mendis, undergraduate of University of Kelaniya won a bronze medal in Women’s 4X400m relay event in Asian Games. Significant importance of this victory is that this is the first time University of Kelaniya Undergraduate won a medal in Asian Games and 2nd Sri Lankan university undergraduate won a medal in Asian Games history.

● World University Games 2023

SMSS Senarathne and Tanushi Rodrigo, undergraduates of University of Kelaniya represented Sri Lanka 32nd World University Games held in Chengdu, China. In this games, SMSS Senarathne participated in men’s Swimming events and Tanushi Rodrigo participated in women’s Table Tennis Competitions.

● Taekwondo World Championship 2023, Baku, Azerbaijan

In the very first time of Sri Lanka women’s Taekwondo history M I P Kumari, Instructress in Physical Education represented Sri Lanka at the World Taekwondo Championship 2023, Baku, Azerbaijan. Kumari secured 33rd place in the below 49 kg weight category.

8.3. Performances at National and Inter-University Level Competitions in 2023

XIV Sri Lanka University Games (SLUG) 2023

XIV Sri Lanka University Games (SLUG) 2023 organized by the Eastern University, Sri Lanka was held from 1st to 8th of September in Eastern University Premises and surrounding sport premises of Batticaloa. The performance of this competition is shown in Table 32 below. According to Final standing of the overall points, University of Kelaniya became the 5th in Men standing, 6th in Women standing.

Table 32: Performances at the Sri Lanka University Games 2023

Sport Event	Performance	Awardee
SLUG Beach Volleyball	Men, Championships	UoK represented two teams. Both teams became champions
	Men, Championships	
SLUG Karate	Women, 1 st Runner-up	
	84kg, Individual Kumite Men, Gold Medal	K T A I Perera
	75kg, Individual Kumite Men, Gold Medal	P G D R Perera
	67kg, Individual Kumite Men, Gold Medal	W C M Wickramasinghe
	55kg, Individual Kumite Women, Gold Medal	P M L Y Ekanayake
	Team Kata Men, Gold Medal	P M L Y Ekanayake K E M R S Ekanayaka G H L Weerasuriya H A J H R Bandara
SLUG Carrom	Men, Championships	-
SLUG Badminton	Men, 1 st Runner-up	-
SLUG Hockey	Men, 1 st Runner-up	-
SLUG Karate	Women, 1 st Runner-up	-
SLUG Rugby	Men, 1 st Runner-up	-
SLUG Track & Field	Women, 2 nd Runner-up	-
SLUG Volleyball	Men, 2 nd Runner-up	-
	Women, 2 nd Runner-up	-
SLUG Baseball	Men, Quarter Finalist teams	-
SLUG Basketball	Men, Quarter Finalist teams	-
	Women, Quarter Finalist teams	-
SLUG Football	Men, Quarter Finalist teams	-
SLUG Hockey	Women, Quarter Finalist teams	-
SLUG Table Tennis	Men, Quarter Finalist teams	-
	Women, Quarter Finalist teams	-
SLUG Weightlifting ¹³	55kg, Men, Gold Medal	A M Tharanga
	55kg, Men, Gold Medal	D Thilakarathna
SLUG Swimming ¹⁴	3 Gold Medal	S M S Sadev Senarathna

13 Established 3 new Sri Lanka University Games records lifting 85kg in Snatch, 105kg in Clean and Jerk, and a Total of 167kg

14 Established 3 new Sri Lanka University Games records in Men 100m Freestyle, 200m Freestyle, and 50m Butterfly

Awards

At the 8th Silk Sports Awards held in March 2023, the award for the best English sports publication of the year 2022 was awarded to the book “Hundred Years of Sri Lanka Athletics” written by Acting Director of Physical Education Mr. G.G.U. Saman Kumara.

8.4. Affiliated Sport Controlling Bodies in 2023

The University of Kelaniya was affiliated with the following National & Provincial level Sports Controlling Bodies of Sri Lanka (with Executive Voting power) during the year 2023.

Representations in National Associations

- 1. Sri Lanka Cricket
- 2. Sri Lanka Weightlifting Federation
- 3. Sri Lanka Wrestling Federation
- 4. Table Tennis Association of Sri Lanka
- 5. Sri Lanka Chess Federation
- 6. Sri Lanka Judo Federation
- 7. National Aquatic Sports Union of Sri Lanka (NASU)

Provincial and District Associations

- 1. Western Province Rugby Football Union
- 2. Gampaha District Cricket Association
- 3. Gampaha District Netball Association
- 4. Western Province Badminton Association
- 5. Gampaha District Basketball Association

Other Associations

- 1. Sri Lanka Universities Sports Association

8.5. Other Sports-Related Positions Held by Staff Members During the Year 2023

Table 33: Other positions held by staff

Name of the Staff Member	Position
Mr. GGU Saman Kumara	Secretary General of the Sri Lanka Athletics
	Chairman of Selections, Statistics & Standards Sub-committee of Sri Lanka Athletics
	Recorder of Sri Lanka Universities Sports Association
Mr. HDSP Wijegunaratne	Vice President of the Sri Lanka Table Tennis Association
	Member of Badminton, Rugger, Subcommittees of SLUSA
Ms. GASG Godamune	Assistant Treasurer of SLUSA
Ms. GASG Godamune	Assistant Secretary of Sri Lanka Taekwondo Federation
	Members of Karate, Netball, Basketball & Hockey sub-committees of SLUSA
Ms. HMKT Karunaratne	Member of Chess and Elle sub-committees of SLUSA
Ms. I.P.K. Mahadula	Member of Tennis and Swimming sub-committees of SLUSA
Mr. A.M.A. Athukorala	Member of Volleyball, Rugby, and Baseball Elle sub-committees of SLUSA



9 FACULTIES, CDCE, AND THE LIBRARY

Faculty of Commerce &
Management Studies

Faculty of Computing &
Technology

Faculty of Graduate
Studies

Faculty of Humanities

Faculty of Medicine

Faculty of Science

Faculty of Social
Sciences

The Library

Centre for Distance &
Continuing Education

9.1. Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies

9.1.1. Mission

“We at FCMS bring together futuristic, applied, and collaborative learning and research experiences to nurture and inspire holistic leaders who will actively contribute to making the world a better place”.

9.1.2. Introduction of the Faculty

The Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies, University of Kelaniya is one of the fast-developing faculties in Sri Lanka, was established and derived from the Faculty of Social Science in 1976, becoming a prestigious faculty in the University of Kelaniya. With the hard work, perseverance, continuous effort and dedication of the staff, students, and other bodies, it was able to achieve the Faculty status in 1995. The Faculty conducts multitude of programmes under five (5) departments; Department of Commerce & Financial Management (DCFM), Department of Human Resource Management (DHRM), Department of Accountancy (DoA), Department of Marketing Management (DMM), and Department of Finance (DFin), offering fourteen (14) Undergraduate Degree Programmes, one (01) Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) programme, Eight (08) master's degree programmes, six (06) Diploma, and six (06) Higher Diploma programmes. The strength of the Faculty includes 132 academic staff members, one administrative staff member, 5 (five) Academic Support Staff members, 28 non-academic staff members and 3763 undergraduate students. The Faculty has multi-cultural, multi- ethnic students fostering social harmony and cultural diversity and the undergraduates are molded by extracurricular activities conducted by the departments.

The Faculty has won the attraction of the stakeholders and the community of the university successfully keeping in line and maintaining quality over quantity. Maintaining the Faculty graduate employability rate of 85% is one of the highest rates among the Management Faculties in the country, indicating the quality of the graduates. Further, obtaining the ISO certification for the Department of Marketing Management and the Department of Finance and for the MBA Programme the recognition granted by the Chartered Financial Analysts (CFA) Institute-USA for the Bachelor of Business Management Honours in Finance, Bachelor of Business Management Honours in Financial Engineering and Master of Professional Finance (MPF) indicates the quality of the degree programmes offered by the Faculty. Moreover, renewing the membership of AACSB (The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) for 2023 indicates the concentration of quality over quantity during the year 2023. At present, the Faculty has converted all the Special Degree programmes in to Honours Degree programmes.

9.1.3. Academic Staff Profile

As a result of the inspiration made by the Faculty, the staff members are self-motivated to enhance their research interests, which is greatly contributed to the development of academic programmes. In 2023, the Faculty staff obtained 7 Vice Chancellor's Awards for high quality research publications. Further, 55 members of the academic staff hold Doctoral Degrees (PhD) while 115 members are with Master's degrees, and the rest, 18 members are currently reading for Doctorates.

9.1.4. Innovations

The Faculty has taken steps to make learning enriched environment to provide opportunities for the undergraduates to provide a successful output. Online teaching and learning are being upgraded through various infrastructure developments such as, construction of Smart Classroom to promote the blended learning system between lecturers and students, construction of innovation lab to promote innovations and new product development for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes and Studio A1 to help students and other stakeholders in digital content development.

9.1.5. Infrastructure Development

Rehabilitation of lecture halls and renovation of some of the common amenities in the Ananda Patabendige building and the F4 Building were successfully completed. Moreover, twenty five Laptops, Graphic Drawing Tablets were purchased to facilitate the online education activities of the Faculty.

9.1.6. Highlights of the Year 2023

The International Conference on Business and Information (ICBI), the flagship conference of the Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies was held for the 14th time, on November 09th and 10th at the Pegasus Reef Hotel, Wattala. The theme of the 14th edition of the ICBI was "Advancing Digital Transformation, Well-being, and Sustainability in Business."

Faculty Excellence Awards for Academic Year 2019/2020, 2023 organized by the Quality Assurance Cell of the Faculty (FQAC) to award and recognize the best-performing students of the faculty under two main categories, namely "Dean's List" and "Faculty Awards" will be held in 2024.

Moreover, virtual field visits, Industry linked graduate certification; "Certified Professional Marketing Graduate (CPMG)", signing MOUs and partnerships with industries and other stakeholders illustrate the quality of teaching are some of the prominent activities for 2023.

The Faculty won two gold awards at the National Convention on Quality and Productivity (NCQP) Competition 2022, held on 21st February 2023, organized by the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Quality and Productivity (SLAAQP). One gold medal was awarded for the "Digitalization of Student Information and Results Management System," and the other gold medal was awarded for the "Digitalization of Internship System of FCMS."

Under the category of Vice-Chancellor's Award, the Faculty was awarded the second place Best Website in the University and the Second best Department website: the website of the Department of Marketing Management.

In achieving the mission, the Faculty ensures better service for shaping and carving the glittering leaders for the corporate world with the required capability, skills and attitudes to make essential decisions in the interest of society. Hence, the Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies has so far produced more than 15,000 graduates and most of them are at the forefront of managerial ranks in public and private sector organizations, and some of our graduates are prominent entrepreneurs in the country.

Prof. W.M.C.B. Wanninayake
Dean/ Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies



9.2. Faculty of Computing & Technology

The Faculty of Computing and Technology (FCT) was established in 2016 as the seventh faculty of the University of Kelaniya. FCT is currently offering three undergraduate degree programs, Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science Degree, Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BET) Honours Degree, and Bachelor of Information and Communication Technology (BICT) Honours Degree. In addition, one postgraduate degree program, viz. MSc in ICT in Education was continued to be offered in 2023. The curriculum for the Bachelor of Bio-System Technology (BBST) Honours Degree was submitted for approval by the University Grants Commission.

The trend of staff resignations that started in 2022 continued till the second quarter of 2023. However, 05 new academic staff members were recruited during 2023.

9.2.1. Vision

To become a centre of excellence in creation and dissemination of knowledge in Computing and Technology for sustainable development.

9.2.2. Mission

The Faculty of Computing and Technology strives for excellence in computing and technology through innovation and dissemination of knowledge and capacity building for socio-economic development of the nation.

9.2.3. Overview of organizational structure

FCT is currently composed of the following three departments:

- Department of Applied Computing
- Department of Computer Systems Engineering
- Department of Software Engineering

In addition, the following centres play a significant role in serving a wider community of stakeholders:

- The Industry Interaction Cell for Computing and Technology (IICfCT)

IICfCT serves as the focal point in the faculty for engagements with the industry. It handles a variety of activities ranging from coordinating industry placements for all final-year students of the faculty to managing consultancy assignments on behalf of the faculty. IICfCT provides reliable and cost-effective solutions to the industries while providing a learning experience to university students, and collaborative research opportunities to the faculty members. IICfCT conducted two highly successful industry fora in July 2023 focusing on computing and engineering technology domains. Valuable feedback and insights were received from industry leaders to initiate the curriculum revision process of the faculty. The Director of the Centre, Dr. Pradeep Samarasinghe of the Department of Applied Computing, contributed to the research commercialisation activities of the university in his capacity as the Director of the University Business Linkage Cell.

- Centre for Excellence in Technology Education (CETE)

Centre for Excellence in Technology Education, which was established in November 2022, continued to provide a valuable service in improving the teaching quality of the faculty by organizing several workshops. In addition, CETE was a co-organiser of the first ever Research Conference on Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, organised by the Staff Development Centre in May 2023. Dr. Thilini Rupasinghe of the Department of Applied Computing served as the Conference Chair.

- Centre for Advanced Materials and Smart Manufacturing (CAMSM)

Established in 2022, the main objectives of CAMSM are to create facilities for conducting translational academic research in engineering and biosystems technologies, building a research ecosystem within the faculty, promoting technology-driven entrepreneurship and capacity building in conducting translational academic research through education, training, and consultation. The centre development activities continued in 2023 using funding from the Science and Technology Human Resource Development Project.

9.2.4. Summary of the New Recruitments of the Year 2023

Table 34: Recruitments of the Faculty of Computing & Technology

Department	Number of Recruitments		
	Permanent	Temporary lecturers	Demonstrators
Academic Staff			
Applied Computing	03	03	-
Software Engineering	01	01	-
Computer Systems Engineering	02	04	02
Non-academic Staff			
Faculty office	None	-	-
Technical officers	None	-	-
Lab assistants	01	-	-

9.2.5. Total Permanent Staff

Table 35: Staff of the Faculty of Computing & Technology

Department	Male	Female	Total	PhD	Senior / Professors	Senior Lecturers	Probationary Lecturers
Applied Computing	08	04	12	09	-	09	03
Computer Systems Engineering	08	03	11	06	01	05	05
Software Engineering	04	06	10	05	-	06	04
Total	20	13	33	20	01	20	12

Professor/ Senior Professor - 3.03%
 Senior Lecturer - 60.6%
 Lecturer (Probationary) - 36.36%

Dr. Induni W. Siriwardane of the Department of Applied Computing secured a OWSD Early Career Fellowship worth USD 50,000 in 2023, which is offered by the Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD) together with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Dr. Rasika Rajapaksha of the Department of Computer Systems Engineering received the awards for the outstanding young researcher in the Faculty of Computing and Technology and the researcher with the highest number of publications in the indexed journal in the Faculty of Computing and Technology at the Vice-Chancellor's Awards – 2023.

In addition, many of the academic staff members have received Senate Awards for their research publications.

9.2.6. Programs of Study Offered by the Faculty

Three undergraduate degree programs are offered by the FCT.

Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science Degree

The students for this degree programme are selected from the mathematics stream of the GCE (Advanced Level) examination and the intake in 2023 was 65 students. The first batch of students graduated in 2023.

Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BET) Honours Degree

The students for this degree programme are selected from the Technology stream of the GCE (Advanced Level) examination and the intake in 2023 was 100 students. The second batch of students from this programme graduated in 2023.

Bachelor of Information and Communication Technology (BICT) Honours Degree.

The students for this degree programme are selected from the Technology stream of the GCE (Advanced Level) examination and the intake in 2023 was 89 students. The second batch of students from this programme graduated in 2023.

Feedback from the Quality Assurance Centre of the University Grants Commission for the proposed Bachelor of Bio Systems Technology Degree programme was received at the end of 2023.

9.2.7. Research

In 2023, Dr. Anuradhi Welhenge of the Department of Computer Systems Engineering concluded her research on Virtual reality embedded systems electronic lab simulator for online education funded through internal research grants.

The following internal research grants secured by the staff in 2021 and 2022 are operational in the current year also:

1. Dr. Kasun Fernando- Optimised windmill blade system to generate electricity from high rising building complex
2. Dr. Laalitha Liyanage - Portable water quality assessment around the Faculty of Computing and technology
3. Dr. Induni W. Siriwardena - Nano-encapsulation of tea polyphenols for value added nutraceutical products.

4. Dr. R.R.L.U.I. Rajapaksha- Functional brain connectivity in resting-state fMRI analysis using machine learning, deep learning algorithms.
5. Dr. Pradeep W. Samarasekera -Identifying groundwater sources with minimum risk for CKDu in the North Central Province of Sri Lanka.

Three new internal research grants have been secured by the academic staff in 2023 as follows.

1. Dr. Amila Jeewandara - Construction of wall panel Using waste generated in palm oil industry in Sri Lanka.
2. Dr. W.D. C. Udayanga - Applicability of Medical plastic waste for pyrolysis conversion to material and energy.
3. Dr. Shakila Pathirana - Design of biological treatment system for oil contained industrial wastewater.

The faculty members secured a considerable amount of external funding for research in 2023.

Dr. Chanaka Udayanga and Dr. Shakila Pathirana of the Department of Applied Computing secured LKR. 139,105,000 and USD 5000 through the Competitive Research Grants scheme of the Science and Technology Human Resource Development Project for their research proposal on Pyrolysis-based thermochemical conversion of textile sludge into energy and value-added products. Prof. Jagath Manatunge of the Faculty of Engineering, University of Moratuwa serves as a co-investigator in this research project.

Dr. Induni W. Siriwardane of the Department of Applied Computing secured a OWSD Early Career Fellowship 2023, which is offered by the Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD) together with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). During the 3-year fellowship, she will receive up to USD 50,000 to lead research projects and establish research at the Center for Advanced Materials and Smart Manufacturing (CAMSM) in the Faculty of Computing and Technology. Her research project will develop value-added nutraceutical products from Sri Lankan elderberry (*Sambucus nigra*) using nano-encapsulation techniques.

Dr. Rasika Rajapaksha of the Department of Computer Systems Engineering secured over LKR 9 million through the Competitive Research Grants scheme of the Science and Technology Human Resource Development Project for his proposal to develop an Automated AI job recommendation, optimisation and analysis system.

Dr. Rasika Rajapaksha of the Department of Computer Systems Engineering, Dr. Sidath Liyanage of the Department of Software Engineering and Dr. Chamli Pushpakumara of the Department of Applied Computing were part of a research group led by the Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo that secured 60,000 Canadian Dollars from the Artificial Intelligence for Sexual and Reproductive Health for South Asia (AI-Sarosh) collaborative organisation based in Pakistan for the research proposal titled AI-Powered Population-based Birth Cohort Study in the Western Province of Sri Lanka.

9.2.8. Conferences Organized by the Faculty in 2023

The 8th International Conference on Advances in Technology and Computing (ICATC 2023) was held in hybrid mode on the 15th of December 2023, under the theme “Technology for sustainable economic recovery”. The program was organised as an annual event that supported scholars from all around the world to gather and share their technological, scientific, and socio-economic findings while initiating collaborations. Dr. Sandeli Kasthuriarachchi of the Department of Software Engineering served as the Conference Chair. The keynote speech was delivered by Dr. Yu-Kai Wang from the University of Technology Sydney, Australia on multidisciplinary research based on computational intelligence and neuroscience. Two workshops on AI and robotics, securing Wi-Fi networks, and a student research symposium were also organised as a part of the conference.

9.2.9. Infrastructure Development of the Faculty of Computing and Technology

Marking a key milestone in the history of FCT, the faculty moved from its temporary premises at Peliyagoda to the laboratory building of the new building complex on 26th January 2023. Most of the work of the rest of the buildings was also nearing completion by the end of 2023. The opening of the entire building complex composed of 6 buildings is scheduled for early 2024. This new building complex, funded by the Science and Technology Human Resources Project, is expected to obtain a Platinum rating under both the Green Building Council of Sri Lanka and the Urban Development Authority green building rating schemes.

9.2.10. Partnerships with Industry and Other Stakeholders in the Relevant Field

As the industrial arm of the Faculty of Computing and Technology, the Industry Interaction Cell for Computing and Technology (IICfCT) is managing the activities related to Industry partnering and collaborations at the faculty. Through a grant support from ADB, IICfCT had initiate a program entitled “Knowledge Exchange Partnership – KxP™” “as a pilot program in Sri Lanka. KxP™ is a pioneering research initiative by the faculty, leading to fully funded research collaborations between universities and the cooperate sector. In KxP™, academics and company experts jointly supervise a KxP Associate™ based in the company, aiming to improve their competitiveness and productivity. Under the KxP™ program, two (02) key projects were initiated as University-Industry research collaborations in the year 2022, and both were formally launched in 2023. The two partnerships are with MAS Holdings and Orel Corporation.

In the year 2023, about 250 students were placed in the industry as Interns. Many of the students are working on industry collaborative research projects and making successful progress achieving the industry requirements. Apart from that, the faculty had conducted numerous webinars, seminars, and full-day workshops for the undergraduates of the faculty to enhance their industry readiness and improve their knowledge and skills.

9.2.10. Continuous Professional Development of the Faculty Members

The staff members attended several workshops, seminars, and certificate programs for their continuous professional development.

A two-day workshop on ISO 21001:2018 conducted by Sri Lanka Accreditation Standards Institution (SLSI) was completed by Dr. Induni W. Siriwardane on 21001:2018 Standard and Implementation of Educational Organizations Management Systems on the 27th & 28th of June 2023.

9.2.10. Student Activities

FCT student body is actively engaged in various extracurricular activities and CSR projects via the student's clubs and organizations. Green Club of the Faculty of Computing and Technology, Student's Union of Faculty of Computing and Technology, Engendering Technology Student's Association (ETSA), Information Technology Student's Association (ITSA), Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA), Legion Society of University of Kelaniya and Computer Science Student's Association are the actively engaged student societies. An Open-Source Software Development Community was established in 2023.



Dr. R.M.C.S. Pushpakumara
Dean/ Faculty of Computing & Technology

9.3. Faculty of Graduate Studies

9.3.1. Vision

The vision of the Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS) is based on the purpose of education from ancient times: Natthi vijjaa Sama.m pa~n~naa (Pali), 'there is no power comparable to knowledge' or ipsa scientia potestas est [Latin] 'knowledge is power.' Therefore, FGS envisages that its graduates will have the knowledge to wield power in different spheres and make the world a better place through their dedication to research, openness to new ideas, and mastery of analytical skills.

9.3.2. Mission

The mission of the Faculty of Graduate Studies is to encourage research and dissemination of knowledge at the postgraduate level. FGS works with academic staff, students and administrative staff in all the Faculties of the University of Kelaniya to promote excellence in postgraduate education. Hence, FGS works together with all academic departments across the university to provide graduate programs at postgraduate Diplomas, Master's, MPhil, and PhDs to create a dynamic intellectual climate for its students.

9.3.3. Overview of Organizational Structure

The academic and administrative head of the faculty is Dean FGS. The faculty has a Deputy Registrar for its administrative functions and formally established a finance division with an Assistant Bursar to streamline the financial activities of the fee-levying programs at the postgraduate level.

9.3.4. Programs of Study Offered by the Faculty

The FGS offers 60 postgraduate programs under broader areas of subject disciplines in the following Boards of Study (BoS):

- i. BoS in Commerce & Business Management
- ii. BoS in Computing
- iii. BoS in Digital Learning
- iv. BoS in Humanities
- v. BoS in Science
- vi. BoS in Social Sciences
- vii. BoS in Medical Sciences
- viii. BoS in Multidisciplinary Studies
- ix. BoS in Technology

Amidst many barriers due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the country's economic crisis, the FGS could secure a total student enrolment of over 2300. Further, the following three new programs were launched, and academic activities were started:

- i. Postgraduate Diploma in Public Relations and Media Management
- ii. Master of Professional Finance

9.3.5. Establishment of the Board of Study in Technology

The FGS was successful in establishing its ninth Board of Study in the year 2023. Main aim of the establishment of the BoS was to strengthen the teaching and research in the technology stream. The Faculty of Computing and Technology took the initiative to establish the BoS. The FGS received its first few MPhil applications in the same year.

9.3.6. Research

a. Conferences organized by the Faculty in 2023

The FGS organized the International Postgraduate Research Conference (IPRC) in November. It was the 23rd consecutive conference of the FGS. The conference's theme was "Enrichment of academic strength through research", and the inauguration ceremony was enlightened by the keynote address of Prof Padmanabhan Balaram from the National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) Bengaluru, India. The conference was graced by the Guest of Honour, Prof. Hemalatha Balaram, from the Molecular Biology and Genetics Unit, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research Bengaluru, India. It was followed by four plenary sessions by professors from New Zealand, China, and India. Over 200 abstracts were received, and around 100 were selected to present at the conference. The event was organized as a hybrid event, and all the publications, including the abstract volume and the program book, were published digitally.

b. The Journal of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

The FGS has planned to publish the Journal in two issues per year and to apply for indexing. Further, discussions were held at the Faculty Board to change the journal's name to suit the international standards and the indexing requirements. It is planned to obtain the final approval from the Faculty Board and Senate by early 2024. Full papers were invited from researchers and authors who have submitted abstracts for the International Postgraduate Research Conference held in November 2023. The full papers will be invited from the authors whose abstracts were recommended by review panels and the session chairs of the conference. It was made mandatory for all MPhil and PhD candidates to publish at least one full paper in a journal included in the 'guide to finding reputable journals to publish scholarly work' published by the Research Council, University of Kelaniya. By the end of the year, all the full papers were reviewed and ready to be published within the first quarter of 2024.

9.3.7. Digitalization

a. Voucher and budget management system

The FGS successfully implemented the first-ever online budget and voucher system in the state universities to facilitate efficient and effective management of the processes related to postgraduate program budgets and vouchers. The 16-digit code was launched in 2021, and it resulted in a reduction in unidentified income from postgraduate programs for the years 2022-2023. Continuous improvements to the system were carried out throughout the year to strengthen the services.

b. MPhil/PhD System and implementation of total payment solution

Financial and regulatory approval was obtained from the Council to digitalize the MPhil and PhD degree-related processes from application to graduation. Accordingly, the requirement specification, planning, and development of the system commenced in early 2023. Further, as a sub-system, to the MPhil/PhD system, a series of discussions were held with the People's Bank to introduce a total payment solution package for the stakeholders. It includes online and offline real-time payment updates, corporate banking, a 24-month 0% interest installment plan for Peoples Bank credit card holders, QR-based payments, the introduction of Point of Sales (POS) machines and etc. The Council approval was obtained towards the latter part of the year to implement this total payment solution package.

c. Management Information System of the coursework degree programs

It was observed that the current computer system that caters to all students following master's degrees by coursework should be upgraded to meet the current and forecasted needs of the stakeholders. Hence, initial planning and discussions were conducted to develop a new system for this purpose. Further, policy approval was obtained to develop an app for mobile devices for students to access the FGS computer system. However, due to resource limitations, it wasn't feasible to develop a total new system replacing the old system. Therefore, it was planned to optimize and develop new features/modules to the existing system as a temporary solution. The planned developments and optimisation are planned to be completed by mid-2024.

9.3.8. Academic Collaboration with Foreign Partners

a. MBA offered in Bangladesh

The University of Kelaniya has had its partnership with the Cambrian International Study Centre (CISC), Bangladesh, since 2019. With this collaboration, the MBA program is offered in Bangladesh, and three batches were recruited up to 2023.

b. MPhil/PhD Programs offered in Bangladesh

In November 2022, a separate agreement was signed with the same institute to offer MPhil and PhD programs of the FGS, University of Kelaniya. Potential candidates were interviewed by the UoK team who visited Bangladesh in November 2022, and applications were

submitted for consideration by the Board of Study in Commerce and Business Management. A countrywide Facebook marketing campaign was carried out in 2023 and received over 100 inquiries. By the end of 2023, three MPhil/PhD students were registered out of 20 applications received from Bangladesh.

c. Education Expo in Bangladesh

One member of the university visited Bangladesh from March 1st – 13th, 2023, to interact with students, staff, and the academic community and promote and review the programs. The FGS participated in an education expo jointly organized by the University of Kelaniya and the BSB Cambrian Education Group, Bangladesh, from March 1st to 9th, 2023. The education exhibition was conducted throughout Bangladesh, including Dhaka, Sylhet, Jessore, Chattogram and Cumilla. It was an opportunity for the University to reach the potential higher degree research students of Bangladesh who are aspiring to further education.

d. Master of Business Studies – Chinese Intake (MBSC)

30 learning partners in the first batch of Master of Business Studies – Chinese Intake (MBSC) conducted by the Department of Commerce and Financial Management completed the program successfully and will be graduated in the 140th General Convocation scheduled to be held at the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall (BMICH), Colombo, on 4th January 2024, marking a significant milestone for the first time in Sri Lanka.

9.3.9. Management Guide for Master’s Degree Programs

It has been identified that many program coordinators find it challenging to fulfil their roles and responsibilities due to the unavailability of well-documented guidelines. Ineffective communications between the various parties involved, including departments, Boards of Study, and the FGS, also add to this challenge. Moreover, all the parties of the University of Kelaniya need to be aware and familiar with the best practices for coordinating postgraduate programs to ensure a high quality of service to the students to survive in the competitive business environment. Considering these factors, the FGS commenced activities to prepare a management guide aiming to provide Program Coordinators with valuable insights and guidance to navigate the complexities of managing postgraduate programs successfully. By enhancing communication, clarifying expectations, and implementing effective coordination strategies, this guide would be an effective mechanism to ensure these programs’ overall success and reputation.

9.3.10. Development of Guidelines and Policies

Although the FGS has published guidelines for postgraduate programs, directions for some of the key areas were missing. Therefore, from time to time, the FGS prepared guidelines and submitted them to the Faculty Board and Senate for approval. The guidelines and policies included direction to the students, supervisors, examiners, and other relevant stakeholders. Accordingly, the following policies, guidelines, forms formats, and templates were developed and obtained approval;

- Mechanism to consider students as first-timers
- Guidelines for applying for examinations
- The maximum duration for requesting the fallback option
- Criteria for exempting degree completion requirements of MPhil/PhD students
- Conflict of interest declaration for supervisors and students
- Instructions, guidelines, and templates for proposal defence, progress, and viva presentations
- Evaluation criteria of proposal defence, progress presentations, and PhD upgrade presentations
- Policy and instructions for writing PhD upgrading report
- Addressing examiner comments in the final thesis
- Forms to obtain feedback from students regarding supervisors, administration, and service of the FGS
- Guideline for postgraduate program coordinators to upload results to the management information system
- Formats to report the progress of the postgraduate programs to the board of study
- Format to submit the thesis evaluation/review reports by the examiners/reviewers

9.3.11. Establishment of a Quality Assurance Cell for the Faculty

A separate Quality Assurance Cell for the Faculty of Graduate Studies was established in accordance with the By-Laws of the University’s Centre for Quality Assurance.

9.3.12. Skills Development Program

The Skills Development program for MPhil/PhD students was successfully completed during the year. Apart from the MPhil and PhD students at the University, many external candidates participated in the program. The program aimed to improve postgraduate students’ skills in information literacy, research methodologies, scientific writing, and statistical analysis. There were 240 applicants, and 130 candidates were registered. Out of 130 registered candidates, 101 students successfully completed the program after facing the evaluation session.

9.3.13. By-laws for Postgraduate Programs

A formal guide and a committee composition were established to prepare by-laws for postgraduate programs.

9.3.14. Conducting Research to Meet United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)

All MPhil/PhD projects were aligned to meet the sustainable development goals introduced by the United Nations. A mechanism was established to identify the relevant SDG covered by the particular research at the time of submission of higher degree research applications and the proposal defence.

9.3.15. Infrastructure Development

Due to the growing demands and expansion of the FGS’s activities, a new extension to the FGS building was constructed within the year.



Senior Prof. N.A.K.P.J. Seneviratne
Dean/ Faculty of Graduate Studies

9.4. Faculty of Humanities

9.4.1. Vision

To become a Centre of Excellence in the field of Humanities.

9.4.2. Mission

To strengthen human resources through education and research in the fields of language, arts and religion.

9.4.3. Overview of Organizational Structure

The Faculty of Humanities of the University of Kelaniya is composed of an exquisite blend of cultures, traditions, and languages that reflects its multi-linguistic, multi-cultural approach to the study of culture and civilization, and it is composed of the following departments:

- Department of Drama, Cinema, and Television
- Department of English
- Department of English Language Teaching
- Department of Fine Arts
- Department of Hindi Studies
- Department of Linguistics
- Department of Modern Languages
- Department of Pali & Buddhist Studies
- Department of Sanskrit & Eastern Studies
- Department of Sinhala
- Department of Western Classical Culture & Christian Culture
- Education Unit
- Internship and Skill Development Unit

9.4.4. Programs of Study Offered by the Faculty

Table 36: Students by program of study of the Faculty of Humanities

No	Program of Study	Overall Student Numbers
		2021/2022
1	Bachelor of Arts General Degree Programme	902
2	Bachelor of Arts in Business and Academic Chinese	137
3	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Film and Television Studies	247
4	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Buddhist Culture	41
5	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Buddhist Philosophy	35
6	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Buddhist Psychology	32
7	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Christian Culture	14
8	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Computer Studies	8

Table 36: (continued).

No	Program of Study	Overall Student Numbers
		2021/2022
9	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Drama and Theatre	38
10	Bachelor of Arts Honours in English	27
11	Bachelor of Arts Honours in French	28
12	Bachelor of Arts Honours in German	71
13	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Hindi	25
14	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Image Arts	23
15	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Japanese	81
16	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Korean	45
17	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Linguistics	38
18	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Literary Criticism	6
19	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Performing Arts (Dancing)	64
20	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Pali	18
21	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Performing Arts (Music)	37
22	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Russian	11
23	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Sanskrit	18
24	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Sinhala	185
25	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Teaching English as a Second Language	151
26	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Translation Studies	120
27	Bachelor of Arts Honours in VāstuShāstra	81
28	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Visual Arts (Arts, Computer Design)	58
29	Bachelor of Arts Honours in Western Classical Culture	9
Total		2550

9.4.5. Details of the Academic Staff Members of the Faculty

At the end of 2023, the Faculty of Humanities had 120 academic staff in the permanent cadre and 78 in the temporary cadre. Close to half the academic staff (40.83%) have doctoral degrees, while about one-quarter (24.17%) hold the rank of Professor or Senior Professor. Females account for 56 of the 120 academic staff (46.67%).

9.4.6. External Awards Won by Staff in 2023

Several members of the academic staff won national or international awards in 2023. They include the following:

- Prof Maithree Wickramasinghe of the Department of English received an Honorary Award and Professorship presented in recognition of gender equity and equality work-University of Wolverhampton, UK
- Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation was awarded to Professor Dilrukshi Ratnayake of the Department of Modern Languages
- Erasmus+ Staff Teaching Mobility Scholarship to Tallinn University, Estonia was awarded

to Snr. Prof. K. L. K. N. C. Premawardhena of the Department of Modern Languages, May 2023

- German Academic Exchange Service and University of Siegen scholarship award for Alumni Ambassador Programme at University of Siegen, Germany awarded to Snr. Prof. K. L. K. N. C. Premawardhena Snr. Prof. K. L. K. N. C. Premawardhena of the Department of Modern Languages, October 2023

9.4.7. Research

Research outputs from faculty members include 2 book chapters, 3 journal articles in peer-reviewed and 19 abstract or full papers in conference proceedings.

These Conferences organized by the Faculty / Departments in 2023

- The 6th International Conference on the Humanities 2023 was held on the 27th and 28th of July 2023
- The 4th Humanities Undergraduate Research Symposium 2022 was held on the 23rd of February 2023
- 12th Symposium of ICTM's Study Group on Music and Minorities organized by the Department of Fine Arts
- Undergraduate Research Symposium for TESL Students organized by the Department of English Language Teaching
- The International Symposium on Buddhist Commitment to Humanity for the 88th birthday of his holiness the Dalai Lama.
- The international workshop on 'Buddhism for Modern Life' focuses on cultural and educational ties between Sri Lanka and India.
- National Conference on Sinhala Studies (NCSS) 2023, organized by the Department of Sinhala

9.4.8. Infrastructure Development and Digitalization

Several measures were implemented in 2023 to improve the Faculty's physical infrastructure. For the Department of Drama, Cinema, and Television, built two new cubicles for the Head of the Department and his office staff and two new cubicles for newly recruited academic members. Also, for the Department of Modern Language, materials were developed for synchronous and asynchronous learning for German Studies of BA and BA Honors Degree Programmes and uploaded to CAL (LMS of the University) for paperless digital teaching and learning, furthermore, for that department, twenty-five chairs were donated to the German Centre by the German Cultural Institute and Spanish unit was assigned a separate partition room. moreover, upgraded internet facilities with modern Wi-Fi access point for the Department of Pali & Buddhist Studies.

9.4.9. Partnerships with Industry and Other Stakeholders in Relevant Fields

The following partnerships were established with industry and other stakeholders in relevant fields.

- Department of Linguistics signed an MoU with the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment – Tamil Language Training Programme for Staff members of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment.
- Partnership of Department of Modern Languages with Goethe Institute, Colombo.
- Six scholarships were awarded for Korean Language learners with financial difficulties in the Department of Modern Languages by the Lions Club in Korea- Sri Lanka.
- Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies signed an MoU with the Benhuan Academy, Shenzhen, China.
- Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies signed an MoU with the Right Mindfulness Training Academy, Augusta, MO, USA.

9.4.10. Academic Collaboration with Foreign Partners

Department of English signed an MoE with the and Karmveer Bhaurao Patil College, Solapur, India.

The Department of Western Classical Culture and Christian Culture conducted collaborative programmes with the Ecumenical Association of Third World Theologians (EATWOT).



Dr. Sudath Senarath
Dean/ Faculty of Humanities



9.5. Faculty of Medicine

9.5.1. Vision

The Faculty aspires to be an internationally recognized institution of higher education in a culture of excellence and integrity that helps to generate and impart knowledge in the medical sciences.

9.5.2. Vision

The Faculty of Medicine

- Educates medical students, postgraduate doctors, allied health care professionals and the public,
- Provides patient oriented medical care to prevent, diagnose and treat human illness, and
- Conducts basic, applied, and clinical research,

in an environment of high-quality education that nurtures a spirit of inquiry, initiative, equality and social responsibility.

Graduates of the Faculty will have the knowledge, the skills and attitudes to be successful in providing services to the community, country and beyond as individuals and opinion leaders in a globalized health care environment.

At the Faculty of Medicine, knowledge is advanced by an academic community with a passion for teaching, student training and scientific enquiry. By providing an excellent environment for learning and research, we will encourage scholarship at the highest level.

9.5.3. Organizational structure

The Faculty has 17 departments: Anatomy, Biochemistry, Physiology, Parasitology, Clinical Microbiology, Pathology, Pharmacology, Forensic Medicine, Public Health, Family Medicine, Psychiatry, Paediatrics, Medicine, Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics, Medical Education and Disability studies. The Molecular Medicine unit, Rickettsial and vector-borne disease laboratories provide diagnostic services and conduct research on infections. Infertility, Gastrointestinal, Autonomic function, Haematology, Histopathology, Cytopathology and Microbiology laboratories mainly provide diagnostic services whilst contributing to clinical research. The Natural product screening laboratory, clinical trials unit, and biodosimetry laboratories function as research centres. Lama Piyasa / child protection unit, Thalassaemia center, Stroke unit, Ayati center and the Colombo North Center for Liver Disease are facilities providing tertiary care of excellence.

The Health Data Sciences unit was established in 2021 /2022, provides skills and knowledge in information technology, and contributes to the research activities of the Faculty. A student affairs division has been established to coordinate all students' extracurricular activities and facilitate student counselling, career guidance, and student welfare activities.

9.5.4. Programs of Study and Students

The five-year MBBS study programme is delivered as an organ system-based, integrated curriculum. It has three study phases with a bar examination at the end of each. There are five components: Information Technology and English, Basic and Applied Sciences, Professional Development and Family Medicine, Community Health and Clinical Skills Strand.

The MBBS programme was accredited by the Accreditation Unit of the Sri Lanka Medical Council (therefore the World Federation of Medical Education – WFME) and was rated as being very satisfactory – satisfactory in all eight standards assessed and obtained a “Good” grade for the percentage weighted score.

The BSc in Speech & Hearing Sciences programme offered by the Faculty of Medicine is the first approved professional training programme leading to a BSc Degree in Speech & Hearing Sciences (specializing in Speech & Language Therapy or Audiology) in Sri Lanka. The BSc (SHS) is a four-year programme of study. The curriculum is based on the course unit system. The “Ayati” centre continues to provide clinical training for these students as well as many other allied health personnel and has now registered nearly 10,000 outpatients. In addition, students are exposed to clinical settings at several teaching hospitals under the Ministry of Health.

In 2023, the 28th batch of medical students (2015/2016) and the 11th batch of BSc (Speech & Hearing Sciences) students graduated from the Faculty. 205 students of the 34th batch (2021/22 intake) registered for the MBBS degree programme and commenced their academic activities on 30th January 2023. Ninety-two students of the 15th batch of the BSc (SHS) degree programme began their orientation programme on the 26th of June 2023, along with 81 students of the second batch of the Occupational Therapy degree programme. The total undergraduate student population in the Faculty as of December 2023 is 1520 (MBBS- 1134, SHS- 305, OT- 87) and includes 25 Bhutanese students. There is an increase of 141 students in comparison to 2022 (MBBS-65, SHS -42 OT – 40).

Postgraduate programmes offered by the Faculty include the Master of Public Health (Epidemiology) programme and research degrees leading to awards of PhD and MPhil in medical sciences. The Faculty of a training hub for MD trainees of the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine training under different specialties. The 7th Batch of Master of Public Health in Epidemiology) programme is due to register in March 2023.

The Faculty also offers two external degree programmes in conjunction with the Centre for Distance and Continuing Education, namely a BSc in Occupational Therapy and a BSc in Physiotherapy. The third batch of 24 students is following the BSc Physiotherapy programme. A higher diploma in Crime investigation is offered in collaboration with the Social Science Faculty to Police officers, and currently, the second batch of officers are following this programme.

9.5.5. Academic staff

The Faculty has 124 academic staff members on the permanent cadre, about 40 on the temporary cadre, and over 50 visiting staff, including consultants, speech therapists, audiologists and occupational therapists attached to the affiliated teaching hospitals. Recruitment of five academic staff members was carried out during the year 2023, but the retirement of two senior academics, including Chair Professors, the resignation of four

academic staff members and the restrictions on new recruitments did not improve the number of permanent staff members.

These academic staff members include 13 Senior Professors, 33 Professors 40 Senior, 06 Probationary Lecturers (unconfirmed) and 18 Probationary Lecturers. The female-to-male ratio is 70:54. In 11 departments, the cadre chair is occupied as of December 2023.

9.5.6. Research

The Faculty prides itself on its research activities, and its output is amongst the highest in medical faculties in Sri Lanka. It was ranked within the first 1000 medical schools in the world and the top three in Sri Lanka by the Times Higher Education in 2023. This year four of its senior staff members have been named among the top 2% of researchers worldwide by Standford University. The Faculty's contribution to the e-repository of the University is 312, which included 199 journal articles (165 in 2023 and 34 in other previous years), 28 conference abstracts, 11 theses, 49 book chapters and 25 student conferences in IN FOCUS (15) and Young Researchers' Symposium (10). The faculty staff have authored 117 Scopus-indexed journal publications.

The Faculty was awarded 9 internal research grants amounting to a total of 3,250,000 LKR by the University of Kelaniya. Additionally, there are over 20 external research grants that have been awarded including several WHO grants, NSF grants, grants related to Thalassaemia, Biomass, Global Health Challenges, LEAPS, Child fund, IAEA, BTI, child sex tourism ELBS, food environment research International Atomic Energy Agency, Austria, National Research Council, Cerebral Palsy Alliance, Australia, Research Foundation of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, and National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR), United Kingdom.

9.5.7. Infrastructure development and digitalization

The construction of hospital facilities at the Colombo North Center for Liver Diseases, which was started in 2021, was delayed due to the economic and fuel crisis. The constructions were recommended with the assistance of donors, and the facility will be ready to be opened for operations in early 2024. This model hospital is owned by the University of Kelaniya and operated in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya. All other building projects undertaken were mainly minor additions, refurbishments and rehabilitation projects.

The land maintained by the Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya, under the MOU signed between the trustees of the adjacent Child Development Center and the University of Kelaniya, has been developed into a fully-fledged vegetable garden. Plans have been developed to add facilities to this area for outdoor leisure and aerobic exercises.

The digitalization of the administrative process has been completed with regard to the timetabling of student educational activities and the scheduling of examinations and meetings. This has eased the administrative workload of academic and non-academic staff, increased the efficiency of administrative processes and facilitated the auditing of workload and activities. The HDSU is instrumental in developing the software programmes in-house without additional expenses to the University.

The Faculty has commenced offering services to private sector educational institutes to strengthen the faculty development funds to face the possible financial challenges ahead. The Department of Pathology and Anatomy has commenced offering museum and laboratory sessions for such programmes.

9.5.8. Future Prospects

The Faculty has initiated a project to provide fee-levy consultancy service to patients, which intends to increase the Faculty's social responsibility and strengthen the faculty development fund.

The admissions committee has been set up, and it works on attracting more foreign students to the programmes offered by the Faculty. The Faculty intends to sign MoUs with relevant external parties to promote the Faculty as a destination for elective learning opportunities and exchange programmes.

The Faculty will modernize the strategic approach of the library, and it will be transformed into a knowledge centre and a hub for supporting research.

Professor Madawa Chandratilake
Dean / Faculty of Medicine



9.6. Faculty of Science

9.6.1. Mission

The mission of the Faculty of Science of the University of Kelaniya is to produce highly motivated graduates and postgraduates capable of making a significant contribution to national development and the well-being of mankind and of conducting research and providing advisory and consultancy services in various scientific disciplines to foster a better understanding of the environment for sustainable use and conservation of natural resources.

9.6.2. Introduction of the Faculty

The Faculty of Science, established in 1967, is one of the seven faculties at the University of Kelaniya. Currently, the Faculty of Science comprises eight academic departments: Chemistry, Industrial Management, Mathematics, Microbiology, Physics and Electronics, Plant and Molecular Biology, Statistics & Computer Science, and Zoology and Environmental Management. Additionally, it includes two units, namely the Software Engineering Teaching Unit and the Sports & Exercise Science Unit.

The Faculty of Science offers five Bachelor of Science Degree Programmes with a duration of three years and 19 Bachelor of Science Honours Degree Programmes with a duration of four years. The annual student intake for the Faculty is 1,136, with 221 and 362 students admitted for the Biological Science and Physical Science streams, respectively. The Faculty also admits students through separate windows for specialised programmes, such as 60 students for the BSc Honours in Applied Chemistry, 80 students for the BSc Honours in Electronics and Computer Science, 109 students for the BSc in Environmental Conservation and Management, 119 students for the BSc Honours in Management and Information Technology/Information Technology, 76 for the BSc in Physics and Electronics, 59 students for the BSc Honours in Software Engineering, and 50 students for the BSc Honours in Sports Science. The total student intake for the Academic Year 2021/2022 was 1,055. Physical Sciences and Biological Sciences students have the opportunity to take auxiliary course units from the Faculties of Commerce & Management Studies, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Currently, the Faculty of Science offers 15 MSc Degree Programmes, 3 Postgraduate Diploma Programmes, and a Diploma Programme. The Faculty serves a total of 3,136 undergraduates, supported by 138 academic staff, 3 academic support staff, and 94 non-academic staff members. The construction of a new lecture theatre complex is underway, enhancing the facilities for Student-Centred Learning activities within the Faculty of Science.

The Faculty provides various services to students, the academic community, and the public through entities such as the Repair and Instrumentation Unit, National Glass Blowing Centre, The Regional Centre for Asian Ant Research, Solar Solutions Centre, Central Equipment Laboratory, Floriculture Research Center, Research and Consultation Centre for Coconut oil, University-Industry Community Interaction Cell (Environment and Development Consultants - EDCON), and the Research and Services Centre.

9.6.3. Highlights of the Year 2023

The Faculty of Science received the following awards in the year 2023.

a. International Awards

- The 2023 Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD) Elsevier Foundation Award for an Early-Career Women Scientists.
- The 2023 Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD) Award for an Early Career Fellowship.
- South Asian Youth Water Challenge - Youth Water Change Maker Awards recognised at COP 28 Climate Summit.

b. National Awards

- Five staff members received “The President’s Awards for Scientific Research 2023” for publications in the years 2019 and 2020 (organised by the National Research Council).
- Three staff members received the following “Presidential Awards for Inventions” (organised by the Sri Lanka Invention Commission).
- Bronze Medal in 2019, Bronze Medal in 2020 and Merit Award in 2020
- Two staff members received the “Support Scheme for Supervision of Research Degrees (SUSRED) Award in 2020/2021” (organised by the National Science Foundation).
- Two staff members received the General Research Committee Postgraduate Award and General Research Committee Postgraduate Merit Award from the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Awards 2023.
- A staff member received the CVCD Excellence Awards - 2022 - Most Outstanding Senior Researcher in the Field of Natural Sciences.

The members of the Faculty of Science are serving on the following committees:

1. Elected as the Secretary of the Steering Committee for the International Nuclear Science Olympiad.
2. Country Coordinator for the International Junior Science Olympiad.
3. Council Member for the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission, Sri Lanka.

9.6.4. Patents and Industrial Designs

The Faculty of Science obtained the following Patents and certificates of registration for Industrial Designs in the year 2023:

1. A composition for use of enhance the intestinal absorption of phenolic antioxidants, Sri Lankan Patent No 21819. National Intellectual Property Office, Sri Lanka
2. Vacuum manifold for column-based solid-phase extraction, Sri Lankan Patent No 21821. National Intellectual Property Office, Sri Lanka
3. Internet Independent Wireless Real-Time Water Quality Monitoring Unit, Sri Lankan Industrial Design No 13786. National Intellectual Property Office, Sri Lanka
4. Safety Electrical Switch, Sri Lankan Industrial Design No 13787. National Intellectual Property Office, Sri Lanka

9.6.5. Commercialised Patents and Industrial Designs

The University of Kelaniya signed the following License Agreements with the corporate sector for the Innovation developed by the Faculty of Science.

1. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and Infosoft Lanka Private Limited, Remote telecommunication site monitoring and automation, with 3% of net sales
2. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and Susen Holdings (Pvt) Ltd, *Consumer Products for Gas Consumption*
3. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and Susen Holdings (Pvt) Ltd, *Consumer Product for Safety*
4. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and OREL Corporation (Pvt) Ltd, *Safety Smart Electric switch*
5. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and OREL Corporation (Pvt) Ltd, *Industrial IoT*
6. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and OREL Corporation (Pvt) Ltd, *Residential IoT*
7. License Agreement between University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and OREL Corporation (Pvt) Ltd, *IoT Compatible Smart Electric Switch*
8. License Agreement between the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka and OREL Corporation (Pvt) Ltd, *Smart Hydrophonic system*

The International Conference on Applied and Pure Sciences – ICAPS 2023, organised by the Faculty of Science, took place on 13 October 2023 under the theme of “Sustainable Development through the Advancement of Science and Technology”.

The Faculty is also planning to introduce the BSc in Data Science and Analytics Degree programme, the 3 plus 1 BSc Honours Degree programmes, the BSc in Software Engineering (External) Degree programme, and Diploma Programmes in Computer Science and Information Technology shortly.

Due to the dedication and hard work of both staff and students, the Faculty of Science at the University of Kelaniya has emerged as a Center of Excellence in Tertiary Education in Sri Lanka. The faculty has fostered a conducive environment to encourage freedom of thought, innovation, and creativity. Graduates from the Faculty of Science, equipped with these qualities, are poised to make substantial contributions to global progress and the well-being of humanity.

With this capacity and in line with its mission, the Faculty of Science has been providing outstanding services to prepare and produce scholars and professionals with the capabilities, skills, and attitudes necessary to drive the economy, support civil society and government, and make essential decisions for the interest of mankind.

Senior Professor S.R.D. Kalingamudali
Dean / Faculty of Science



9.7. Faculty of Social Sciences

9.7.1. Vision

To maintain excellence by nurturing independent thought, critical analysis, awareness of social responsibility, respect for cultural diversity, and ethical values through multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary collaboration with a commitment to the development of Sri Lanka and South Asia in general.

9.7.2. Mission

To advance and promote the socio-economic, political, cultural, and academic development of Sri Lankan society through teaching, research, innovation, and intellectual leadership.

9.7.3. Overview

The Faculty of Social Sciences is one of the oldest and the largest faculty in the University of Kelaniya. Although it was instituted as a separate Faculty in the academic year 1981/82, the history of the Faculty goes back to the origin of Vidyalankara University.

In its initial stage, Vidyalankara University, the predecessor to the University of Kelaniya, comprised several faculties, among them the Faculty of Arts, which later divided into two, namely, the Faculty of Social Sciences and the Faculty of Humanities. Due to their common origin, these two faculties continue to maintain a strong and interconnected relationship.

The academic staff of the departments represents a fine blend of academicians and professionals. While the traditional disciplines of History, Archeology, Geography, Philosophy, Economics, and Sociology strengthen the academic content of the faculty, the other departments like Mass Communication, International Studies, Library & Information Science, Social Statistics, Sport Science & Physical Education have opened their doors to professionals. The Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Kelaniya was the first to house the Department of Mass Communication and the Department of Sport Science & Physical Education in a university in Sri Lanka.

The Faculty currently consists of and delivers its services under the following 13 academic departments.

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| 1. Department of Archaeology | 8. Department of Sociology |
| 2. Department of Economics | 9. Department of Social Statistics |
| 3. Department of History | 10. Department of Sports Science and Physical Education |
| 4. Department of International Studies | 11. Department of Geography |
| 5. Department of Library and Information Science | 12. Department of Mass Communication |
| 6. Department of Philosophy | 13. Department of Information Technology |
| 7. Department of Political Science | |

The Faculty offers Bachelor's degrees in 18 subject areas. Students enrolled can either follow the general degree program or the Honors degree program in a specific subject stream based on academic excellence. The Faculty of Social Sciences offers postgraduate degree programs for students to complete a one-year Master's degree program in Arts and a two-year Master in Social Sciences degree program. Moreover, researchers and academia can enroll and work on their Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy degrees.

9.7.4. Diploma Courses Offered by the Faculty

1. Diploma in GIS
2. Diploma in Disaster Management
3. Diploma in History
4. Diploma in International Studies
5. Diploma in Information Management and Technology
6. Diploma in Library and Information Science
7. Diploma in Mass Communication
8. Diploma in Public Relations and Media Management
9. Diploma in Counselling
10. Diploma in Correction and Rehabilitation for Prison Officers (DCRP)
11. Diploma in Sport Management
12. Diploma in Physical Education and Sport Management
13. Diploma in Information Technology (for internal undergraduates on the basis of free of charge)
14. Higher Diploma in Library and Information Science
15. Higher Diploma in Communication and Public Relations
16. Higher Diploma in Correction and Rehabilitation
17. Higher Diploma in Physical Education and Sport Management
18. Postgraduate Diploma in Public Relations and Media Management

9.7.5. Master's Degree Programs Offered by the Faculty¹⁵

The Faculty of Social Sciences offers the following one-year and two-year programmes through the Faculty of Graduate Studies:

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| 1. MA and MSSc in Archaeology | 6. MA and MSSc in Philosophy |
| 2. MA and MSSc in Economics | 7. MA and MSSc in Political Science |
| 3. MA and MSSc in History | 8. MA and MSSc in Sociology |
| 4. MA and MSSc in Library and Information Science | 9. MA and MSSc in Geography |
| 5. MA and MSSc in Mass Communication | |

¹⁵ The existing curricula of Master's degree programmes are being revised at the moment. Therefore, the names of the two degree programmes will be changed by the next year.

9.7.6. Highlights of the Year 2023

There was a modest improvement in the publication output of the academic staff within the faculty in the year 2023.

An MoU was signed for academic collaboration between the Faculty of Social Sciences (FSS) and the University of Kanasawa, Japan.

Notably, a few international conferences and workshops were held during the year 2023 and they were organized by the Departments of Archaeology, Library and Information Science, Mass Communication, Geography, and the RCSS.

The faculty QAC successfully organized a couple of workshops aimed at educating young and early carrier academics on examination-related activities.

Updated the curricula of postgraduate degree programmes (MA/ MSSC) during the year 2023.

9.7.7. Future Prospects

The Faculty of Social Sciences plans to update the curricula for all undergraduate degree programmes in 2024. Additionally, there is an anticipation of seeking opportunities to form academic partnerships with international universities. Furthermore, encourage all the academic staff of the faculty to engage in research aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to publish their research findings in high impact academic journals in the upcoming year, 2024.



Professor M.M.Gunatilake
Dean / Faculty of Social Sciences

9.8. The Library

The year 2023 marked an important period for the University of Kelaniya library, characterized by noteworthy events that unfolded throughout the year. Through a series of impactful activities, the library successfully provided an exceptional information service to the academic community, supporting the university’s endeavours in teaching, learning, and research.

In a commitment to ensuring equitable access to resources across all faculties, the library acquired 252 printed books at a cost of Rs. 347,771.00. Moreover, an additional 41 printed books are slated for purchase, with approved expenses amounting to Rs. 899,881.58. The library renewed subscriptions to key databases, such as EBSCO Host, JSTOR, and Research4Life, with an expenditure of Rs. 7,833,966.81. Remote access via the Shibboleth gateway was provided to users. The UGC consortium’s access to databases like Emerald, Taylor & Francis, and Oxford University Press continued in 2023.

In 2023, the library acquired and processed 541 books that were received as donations from 81 donors. The donation is worth Rs. 1,116,061.05. These donations were from different subject disciplines, including arts, humanities, management, science and social sciences.

The Subject Liaison Librarians played a crucial role in elevating the quality of academic publications by assisting in reviewing submissions for VC awards, professorship applications, Senate awards, and CVCD awards. Their expertise contributed significantly to maintaining the standard of research endeavours.

Actively participating in the institutional repository of the university, the library added 919 research outputs in the past year, including 30 theses and dissertations. Collaborating with CEPPS/NDI, the Kelaniya University Library played a key role in creating a central research repository that seamlessly connects various university research repositories in Colombo with the Parliament’s Research Division. This collaborative project successfully completed its initial phase, incorporating findings from research studies conducted at six different universities.

The implementation of the KOHA Library Management System expanded the services of the library by introducing an in/out system to monitor user entry and exit. This system facilitated the collection of user statistics on a daily, weekly, and monthly basis, providing valuable insights into library usage patterns. The usage statistics of the library for the year 2023 are detailed below:

Table 37: Usage statistics of the library

Section/Service	Statistics
Number of visits made by the members who used the Reference and Lending Libraries	212,071
Number of books returned	60,559
Number of books borrowed	58,883
Number of visits made by the members who used the Reference section	412,117
Number of visits made by the members who used the Permanent Reference Section	20,446
Number of visits made by the members who used the Periodicals section	5,114
Number of visits made by the members who used the Information Commons	149,671
Number of Visits Number of visits made by the members who used the Library Museum	458
Number of visits made by the members who used the Library Computer Lab	302
Number of visits made by the members who used the Sri Lanka Collection	11,017

Within the technical services section, the library processed 1,461 books, issued 19 ISBNs and issued 10 ISSN for publications by academic staff members and university-printed publications.

The Subject Liaison Library Service worked closely with all six faculties, offering a range of services such as answering user queries, conducting training sessions, and providing writing assistance. In 2023, subject liaison librarians responded to 377 discipline-based user inquiries through various channels and supplied 249 articles and book chapters via the Document Delivery Service. Additionally, they organized 57 user education programs and a public webinar, contributing to the academic development of the university community.

Investing in enhancing writing skills, the library purchased a Premium subscription to Grammarly. In 2023, the library provided facilities for a total of 950 additional users, catering to different categories of university members.

A significant initiative aimed at inclusivity was the audiobook project, which converted 40 books into audio format, benefiting visually impaired students. Additionally, the library curated and shared 30 subject-specific readings tailored for this group.

The introduction of the library's mobile app proved instrumental in improving accessibility and convenience for students and staff. With over 8,460 users by the end of 2023, the app offers features like accessing the KOHA system, online catalogue, e-Repository, subscribed databases, e-books, and e-journals. The "Ask a Librarian" feature enables direct communication with librarians, and the "Notification" feature keeps users informed about library news, events, and updates.

In June 2023, the library unveiled an interactive and collaborative learning area for undergraduates equipped with modern digital resources, supporting research, learning, and collaborative activities. Three information saloons within the unit accommodate up to twenty-one students comfortably, and between June and December 2023, over 400 groups of students utilized these facilities for their academic work.

The library achieved several milestone events in 2023, including organizing an exhibition to celebrate World Braille Day, inaugurating an "Information Lounge for Emeritus Professors," opening a "Library bookshop," and establishing a Library Museum, Poetry Library, Vice Chancellors' Collection, and the Art Gallery of the university. The museum has been designated as the "Most Venerable Reverend Natthandiye Pragnakara Nahimi Memorial Museum." It stands as the first museum within the Sri Lankan university system, specifically founded to chronicle the history of a higher education institution in Sri Lanka. On the same occasion, a distinguished work titled "Kaelani Sarasavi Punarāvalōkanaya: History of the University of Kelaniya" was officially launched. This compilation was undertaken by three Senior Assistant Librarians employed at the University of Kelaniya. The library also hosted the first-ever Multidisciplinary Desk Research Conference (DRC 2023) in Asia. This Conference, orchestrated by the library, took place on the 6th of December 2023, with the aim of advancing research endeavours grounded in secondary data and secondary information sources. The conference encompassed a comprehensive array of disciplines, spanning Arts and Humanities, Commerce and Management Studies, Science, Technology, Medicine, and Social Sciences. A total of sixty-seven (67) full papers were presented during eight (08) parallel technical sessions conducted in both English and Sinhala languages. The conference featured four pre-conference workshops, enabling participants from around the world to attend and gain scholarly insights into the principles of desk research, its methodologies, and the potential outputs it can offer.

A remarkable highlight of the event was the launch of a new biannual journal titled "The Journal of Desk Research Review and Analysis" (ISSN: 3030-7007, e-ISSN: 3030-7015), consisting of two issues. This momentous occasion not only showcased the diversity of research topics but also marked the establishment of a scholarly platform dedicated to desk research methodologies.

On November 23, 2023, the library organized a CSR project at the "Welcome Village," Makandura, Badalgama, engaging with the community through various activities such as a book donation program, setting up a community library, health camp, mobile salon, cleaning project, arms giving, and an entertainment programme.

Postgraduate Library, attached to the Faculty of Science, started the automation process of the library books through the KOHA Library Management System in 2023. 9,655 users have visited the library in 2023.

Shifting focus to the Medical Faculty Library, 2023 witnessed a substantial increase in usage compared to 2022, with 16,953 library visits. The Library conducted various activities, including issuing 265 books to students on long-term loans through the Student-Centered Learning Project and adding 77 past papers, 341 journal articles, conference abstracts, and 11 theses to the University E-repository.

In addition, the medical library organized various new initiatives in the year 2023. The Medical Library, in collaboration with the Library Student Affairs Committee of the Faculty, jointly coordinated an award ceremony to honour the best library users. Simultaneously, an online library quiz competition was conducted in conjunction with the commemoration of World Hepatitis Day on the 28th of July, 2023. At the award ceremony, the inaugural edition of the E-Library Newsletter from the Library Student Affairs Committee was officially introduced. In the month of October, the Medical Library successfully implemented a poster competition among the students to observe Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Furthermore, on the 14th of September, the Library established a Library Development Fund with the active participation of the Dean and the President of the Kelaniya Medical Students Alumni Association. The primary objective of this fund is to raise financial resources for the enhancement of the library infrastructure.

The Library, University of Kelaniya, has indeed left an indelible mark in 2023 through its commitment to excellence, inclusivity, and innovative initiatives that enrich the academic experience for students and faculty alike.

Dr C.C. Jayasundara
Librarian



9.9. Centre for Distance & Continuing Education

9.9.1. Introduction

The Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE) operates under circular provisions laid down in the UGC circular no. 932 and by laws of the University. Accordingly, it functions under a Director who is directly responsible to the Vice-Chancellor. Three Deputy Directors are manning the three divisions, such as, Registrations and Examinations, Learning Resources and Training. The academic and administrative decisions will be taken by the Boards of Studies and the Management Committee of the CDCE with the approval of the Senate and the Council of the University as applicable.

9.9.2. Our Mission

Our mission is to achieve excellence in providing learners with opportunities to develop knowledge, attitudes, and skills to serve the world with respect for dignity of life.

9.9.3. Degree Programs Offered by the CDCE

The CDCE was established 30 years ago, and the Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree program has been offered from the beginning. It is also the most in demand external degree program (EDP) at the CDCE. New guidance for Bachelor of Arts EDPs were issued by the UGC in 2021 and the BA programme offered complaints with the guidance.

Currently, external degree programs are offered by five faculties:

1. Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences
 - Bachelor of Arts - BA (External) – 3 years
2. Faculty of Science
 - Bachelor of Science - BSc. (External) – 3 years
3. Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies
 - Bachelor of Commerce - BCom. (External) – 4 years
 - Bachelor of Business Management - BBMgt. (external) – 3 years
4. Faculty of Medicine
 - Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy (External) – 4 years
 - Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy (External) – 4 years

9.9.3. New Registrations for EDPs

As per the instruction of UGC new registration was suspended after 2016 academic year and with the issuance of the UGC circular No. 01 / 2021 regarding Restructuring of Bachelor of Arts (External) Degree programme, CDCE has taken action to restructure the curriculum of this degree programme. In 2023, new applications were called for the third batch of revised Bachelor of Arts Degree programme with other degree programmes for the academic year 2022 and it was a remarkable achievement to register the students who completed the most recent G.C.E. Advanced Level as soon as the release of results and soon after internal registrations.

In 2023, academic calendar was introduced and as per the academic calendar, academic activities commenced as follows.

The CDCE provides an opportunity (as mentioned above in the item No. 04) to register directly to the third year of the Bachelor of Business Management Degree programme, who have completed Diploma and Higher Diploma courses at the Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies of the University of Kelaniya as lateral entry. Third-year academic activities of these students also commenced on 01.05.2023.

9.9.5. Examinations

To clear the examinations accumulated in previous years because of the COVID-19 pandemic and other reasons, CDCE has taken fruitful actions in the year 2023. As a result, for the first time in the history of CDCE, 21 exams were held in 2023 as follows and several actions have been taken including the conference marking system to expedite the release of the results.

Table 38: Details of Examination held in 2023

No	Name of the Exam	Month	Subjects
01	BA 3rd year - 2016 (Old)	January	35
02	BA 2nd year – 2016 (Old)	February	35
03	BA 2nd (Part I) year– 2015 (Old)	March	10
04	BA 3rd (Part II) year – 2015 (Old)	March	10
05	BSc. First / Second / Third (Old) – 2019	March	06
06	BBMgt 1st year – 2019	April	07
07	BCom 1st year – 2019	April	07
08	BA 1st year – 2019 (Old)	April	34
09	BBMgt 2nd year – 2019	May	06
10	BA 1st year – 2019 (New)	June	34
11	BCom 2nd year – 2019	July	06
12	BCom 3rd year – 2019	July	06
13	BCom 4th year – 2019	July	06
14	BSc. 2nd year 1st Semester – 2021	August	10
15	BA 2nd year – 2019 (Old)	August	30
16	BBMgt 3rd year – 2019	September	06
17	BA 1st year (New) – 2021	October	34
18	BBMgt 1st year – 2021	October	07
19	BCom 1st year – 2021	October	07
20	BA 1st year (ELTU&COMP) – 2019 (Old)	November	02
21	BA 3rd year - 2019 (Old)	December	35
Total			337

9.9.6. Convocations

In the year 2023, 5131 graduands of the CDCE participated in the convocations as follows. Most of the students could participate in the Convocation within three months after releasing the final results is another significant achievement in the year 2023.

Table 39: Details of Convocations

Date	Session	No. of Graduands
09 th February 2023	Session 3	515
27 th February 2023	Session 3	516
21 st March 2023	Session 2	520
	Session 3	515
26 th June 2023	Session 1	532
	Session 1	503
14 th September 2023	Session 2	500
	Session 3	500
21 st November 2023	Session 1	515
	Session 2	515
Total		5131

9.9.7. External Review of EDPs

Self-Evaluation Reports (SER) for the following four-degree programs were prepared, reviewed and on-site inspections by the teams appointed by the UGC were conducted. Review reports were received in 2023 with the following grades.

Table 40: Summary of external review reports

No	Degree Program	Marks	Grade
01	Bachelor of Arts	61.5	C
02	Bachelor of Commerce	58.34	C
03	Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy	62.0	C
04	Bachelor of Business Management	66.1	B

Action Plans for implementation and the recommendation made by the Review Panels were drawn up 2023 and approved by the Senate and Council.

9.9.8. Lactation Room

A Lactation room was opened at CDCE in 2022 to provide privacy to breastfeeding mothers (students) who are coming to the CDCE for examinations and other purposes, and it was further modified with additional facilities in the year 2023.

9.9.9. E-Library

CDCE has decided to build a new E-library for the centre to provide efficient service to the students to fulfill the learning requirements. Students are registered at CDCE from all over the Country and they are unable to visit the CDCE frequently for their academic purposes. Nevertheless, by using E-Library they have the reliability to read recommended readings online. A variety of books are available for students' reference in the CDCE e-library in 2023.

9.9.10. Online Learning

In 2023, CDCE enhanced the learner-teacher interactions and use of the Learning Management System (LMS) for students' academic work. Also, CDCE continued the use of Zoom facility to provide lectures and seminars to students on LMS pages which was initiated as a solution for the COVID -19 pandemic situation since it is providing the best progress for the Centre.

9.9.11. Student Support and Information Through Emails

CDCE has taken steps to attend to student matters by quickly responding to the queries raised by the students via email and providing them with the information they require via email.

9.9.12. Revamping the CDCE Website

The website of the CDCE was revamped in 2023 to be more attractive and clearer. The students are given updated information more clearly through the revamped CDCE website and has given the opportunity for the students to access information when required. As a result, CDCE won the Vice Chancellor's Award for the best website for the Centres of the University of Kelaniya in the year 2023.

9.9.13. Appointment of Program Coordinators and Subject Coordinators to Streamline Academic Functionality

Program Coordinators for each degree program and subject Coordinator for each subject of the Bachelor of Arts degree programme were appointed to streamline the academic functionality.

9.9.14. Meetings

The following meetings were conducted in the year 2023 to carry out academic and general administration of the centre smoothly.

1. Meetings with Deputy Directors – 08
2. Meetings with Academic Coordinators – 08
3. Meetings with Subject Coordinators – 02
4. Progress review meeting with the staff of the CDCE – 12

9.9.15. Leasing Land with Building

To avoid the long-term difficulties faced by the CDCE in parking vehicles of the University and others, CDCE has taken action to obtain the adjoining land with a building on lease to allocate for the vehicle parking and to provide the waiting area facilities to the students and their Parents during the examinations.

9.9.16. Updating Computer Lab

As per the restructured curriculum of the Bachelor of Arts degree programme, Career Based Information Technology (CBIT) is one of the compulsory subjects in all three years. Assessment of these subjects are done by Assignments, Written Exams, and Practical Exams.

To facilitate the practical exams for this subject, CDCE purchased 100 desktop computers and 20 Laptop computers and updated the computer lab of the CDCE in 2023. Further, action is being taken to increase the bandwidth of the internet connection to avoid delays during the practical examinations.

9.9.17. Financial Activities

In 2023, CDCE prepared a separate budget for each degree programme. The operating activities of each degree programme are indicated by preparing programme-wise income and expenditure statements. CDCE is operated under a sound and transparent financial management mechanism and all the procedures stipulated in the UGC circulars, Ministry of Finance guidelines, and other relevant regulations are adhered. Relevant approvals from the university Finance committee and the Council are obtained as required.

All the Financial Functions of the CDCE are carried out through an in-house developed MIS. All the collection from students is obtained through the bank to the CDCE current account by using a unique 16-digit transaction code and all the payments are processed online via the MIS.

CDCE reported a cash collection of LKR. 400 Mn in 2023 from the functioning of the above examinations and new registrations.



Ven. Dr. Dodamkumbure Dhammadassi Thero
Director/ Centre for Distance & Continuing Education



10 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

10.1. Policy Statement

- The University conducts its activities to comply with relevant environmental legislation and regulations existing in the country.
- The Institutional Framework for Sound Environmental Management is strengthened by the University through capacity building, legislative instruments, and improved inter-institutional coordination and linkages.
- The University environment and the environmental impact of the institution's activities are managed through a pre-defined Environmental Management System that is continuously updated and maintained.
- The environmental impact of the institution's activities is continuously assessed and reported through an appropriate and institutionalized monitoring framework based on a comprehensive set of indicators and necessary improvements are made.
- The Framework for setting and reviewing environmental objectives and targets is provided by the University.
- The University's Environmental Policy is accessible to the public and every stakeholder should clearly understand the institution's Environmental Policy, and his/her obligations under this policy and abide by the contents of the Environmental Management System.
- The Economic Value of environmental services is recognized so as to assure the sustainability of such services for the benefit of the University.

10.2. Strategies

- Reduce waste generation by promoting efficient use, Reuse, and Re-cycle (3R)
- Implement composting processes for organic wastes.
- Collect metals, glasses, plastic/polythene, and paper and establish a mechanism to dispose of them through registered recyclers regularly.
- Facilitate the proper disposal of electronic waste by creating continuous disposal.
- Channel to responsible recyclers.
- Establish standardized chemical waste collection and storage from the laboratories and transport them to registered companies.
- Introduce the autoclaving method for the disposal of bio-hazardous waste.
- Promote sustainable construction principles in new constructions and refurbishments and practice green building principles in new constructions.
- Reduce the negative impact of climate change through the implementation of various projects including a Carbon Management Plan
- Minimize environmental impact through environmentally friendly procurement plans.

- Prevent pollution by managing and reducing emissions to air and discharges to water.
- Practice rainwater harvesting.
- Promote wastewater collection, treatment, and reuse for gardening purposes.
- Promote the efficient use of energy.
- Create and enhance wildlife habitats by formulating and implementing a Biodiversity Action Plan.
- Promote respectful behavior towards the environment among the university community and society by using environmental education as a primary tool.

10.3. Activities Relevant to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals

The staff of the University of Kelaniya have been engaged in several activities and research related to sustainability, which could be organised under different sustainable development goals.

10.3.1. SDG 01: No Poverty

The Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies organised a financial support campaign with the support of a Hong Kong-based charity named Glorious Sun for the fourth time. All the students who follow Pali, Buddhist Philosophy, Buddhist Culture, and Buddhist Psychology were qualified to receive financial support under this program. The objective was to support needy students in successfully continuing their studies despite the ongoing economic crisis in the country. Moreover, the Faculty of Medicine continued to offer affordable and quality healthcare services to the public in 2023, through the Department of Family Medicine's Family Medicine Clinic at a highly affordable consultation fee of Rs. 100/-. The clinic operates on weekdays from 8.00 am to 4.00 pm.

10.3.2. SDG 02: Zero Hunger

The Green Practice Committee (GPC), Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya, continued its activities on sustainable development by actively engaging the students with many activities, including activities related to green farming. Continuous 'Shramadana' campaigns were organised to guide the students to volunteer to work at the community vegetable gardens maintained by the faculty. The activities included weeding, clearing land for new crops, and planting new crops.

10.3.3. SDG 03: Good Health and Well-Being

In 2023, the University's Faculty of Medicine excelled in advancing SDG 3 - Good Health and Well-being. Noteworthy achievements included establishing the Student Wellbeing Centre, students' success in the CPR Competition, and 25 academic members receiving President's Awards for scientific research. The faculty's global impact was evident in conferences

like the International Association of Forensic Sciences, reinforcing its commitment to health advancements. Moreover, community-oriented initiatives, such as blood donation campaigns and health camps, showcased dedication to societal well-being. Projects like 'LEAPS' and the Student Aid Program reflected a holistic approach, aligning with SDG 3's goal of ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all.

10.3.4. SDG 04: Quality Education

In 2023, the University of Kelaniya got engaged in several activities aimed at quality education. These activities included those to improve the quality of the programs it offers to undergraduate and postgraduate programs and also to develop the knowledge and skill level of the community. Several MoUs were signed with foreign universities and industry partners, and numerous seminars, webinars, and workshops were organised/conducted in collaboration with renowned local and foreign academics and industry partners for the students and the community. Apart from that, special attention was paid to developing the skills of the staff, including the non-academic and administrative staff. The Empowering University Staff (EUS) project was initiated and funded to enhance the skills of the non-academic staff to utilise modern information technology to execute their duties efficiently and effectively. A series of workshops were held under the EUS project in the year 2023.

10.3.5. SDG 05: Gender Equality

The Centre for Gender Studies (CGS) of the University of Kelaniya organised the 2nd International Conference on Gender Disparities- ICGD '23 in July 2023 under the theme of 'Endless Equity & Integrity'. The conference offered a platform for renowned local and international intellectuals and emerging scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research on all aspects of Gender. Moreover, the CGS organised an International Women's Day program called TECHNO 2023 in partnership with the Foundation for Innovative and Social Development to empower women and girls in the digital world. Several female academic members were appointed to higher positions in national and international organisations, including Prof. S.A.P.M. Manuratne, who was appointed as the Director of the Centre for Gender Equity/Equality of the University Grants Commission. A Female Entrepreneurship Bootcamp was also held at the University of Kelaniya, which was collaboratively organised by the Industry Interaction Cell for Computing & Technology (IICFCT), the University Business Linkage Cell (UBLCL) and the Information and Communication Technology Agency of Sri Lanka. (ICTA). Notably, there were several female students who won hackathons and were featured in media programs related to technology.

10.3.6. SDG 06: Clean Water and Sanitization

The Electronics Design and Innovation Centre (EDIC) Team of the University of Kelaniya, guided by Prof. Aruna Ranaweera, developed an "Automated Stand-alone Wireless Water Quality Monitoring and Rainwater Harvesting System" where the system will automatically harvest the rainwater and direct it to different tanks according to the monitored quality. This smart system can connect arid and rural areas to the smart world by enabling real-time water quality monitoring capabilities. Out of 31 innovative applications received from more than 100 youth applicants in the South Asian region, Team EDIC came first at the South Asia

Youth Water Challenge (SAYWC) 2023 after a series of secreting by a team of an eminent panel comprised of national and international experts. The project will be assisted financially to produce the tested product for the market.

10.3.7. SDG 07: Affordable and Clean Energy

The Phase 01 – Lab Building of the Faculty of Computing and Technology was completed in 2023. The building complex featured energy-efficient lighting, an STP-treated water collection pond, rainwater harvesting tanks, and water-efficient fixtures. The design also addresses environmental impact by reducing heat island effects, utilising materials with high SRI values, open grid paving, and underground parking. The building complex is also equipped with a Building Management System (BMS).

10.3.8. SDG 07: Affordable and Clean Energy

The Faculty of Humanities initiated a discussion with the dean and the students with disabilities to foster inclusivity and promote an accessible academic environment. A special event to formulate a student forum for Translation Studies undergraduates of the University of Kelaniya, organised by The National Languages Equality Advancement Project (NLEAP) and the Centre for Development Research and Interventions (CDRI) and hosted by the Department of Linguistics, University of Kelaniya was held in 2023. The Faculty of Humanities also conducted lectures on Tamil Language for the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment. They hosted a guest session on “Practical Leadership and Management Skills Needed Today” for students with disabilities.

10.3.9. SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production

Centre for Sustainability Solution of the University of Kelaniya joined hands with the Electronics Development and Innovation Centre (EDIC) of the University of Kelaniya and the Environment Committee and Section E2 of the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLAAS) in organising e-waste collection programs to reflect on the impact of e-waste and promote recycling among the university community. Two programmes were conducted in the year 2023. Moreover, the Faculty of Medicine Teachers’ Association of the University of Kelaniya organised a second-hand item sale promoting reuse and reducing waste, fostering eco-conscious practices, and supporting student meals.

10.4. Research Output Relevant to the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals

In the year 2023, the University proudly highlights its commitment to addressing key global challenges outlined in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Throughout the year, a series of impactful research initiatives were undertaken, focusing on SDG areas such as No Poverty, Zero Hunger, Good Health & Well-Being, Quality Education, Gender Equality, Affordable and Clean Energy, Reduced Inequalities, Sustainable Cities and Communities, Responsible Consumption and Production, and Life Below Water. A summary of the publication count is presented in Table 41.

Table 41: Research Output Related SDGs

SDG Goal	Number of Research
SDG 01 - No Poverty	01
SDG 02 - Zero Hunger	24
SDG 03 - Good Health & Well-Being	281
SDG 04 - Quality Education	87
SDG 05: Gender Equality	13
SDG 06 - Clean Water and Sanitation	19
SDG 07: Affordable and Clean Energy	10
SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities	03
SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities	09
SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production	10
SDG 14: Life Below Water	02

11 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023

11.1. Statement of Financial Performance

Table 42: Statement of financial performance

For the Year ended 31 st December	Note	2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
Revenue			
Revenue From Non Exchange Transactions			
Revenue from Non Exchange Transactions - Current			
Government Grants - Recurrent	5	4,781,740,843	4,464,375,299
Student Scholarships and Grants - Mahapola		273,360,500	240,398,250
Student Scholarships and Grants - Bursary		166,264,000	90,108,000
Grant - STHRD Project		33,229,570	19,525,676
Grant - AHEAD Project		753,899	76,171,166
External Research Grants		108,103,203	138,740,069
Donations to Endowment Funds		5,829,896	1,736,567
Total Revenue from Non Exchange Transactions - Current		5,369,281,910	5,031,055,028
Revenue from Non Exchange Transactions - Capital			
Capital Investment from Treasury funds		206,471,419	202,187,959
Capital Investment for CNCLD Building		60,918,242	89,355,180
Capital Investment from AHEAD for Additional Intake		82,429,776	90,508,283
Capital Investment from IT Infrastructure Deve. Fund		5,174,520	6,356,050
Capital Grant - AHEAD Project		136,080,281	156,422,314
Capital Grant - STHRD Project		2,120,440,538	2,564,388,776
Donations		1,163,442	1,460,511
Total Revenue from Non Exchange Transactions - Capital		2,612,678,219	3,110,679,073
Total Revenue from Non Exchange Transactions		7,981,960,129	8,141,734,101
Revenue from Exchange Transactions			
Interest from Investments		761,153,339	689,716,924
Income from Centre for Distance and Continuing Education		286,832,794	297,768,405
Income from Self-Financial Activities / Special Services		493,574,608	440,890,612
Internal Income	6	821,057,275	1,126,381,859
Total Revenue from Exchange Transaction		2,362,618,016	2,554,757,799
Total Revenue		10,344,578,146	10,696,491,899

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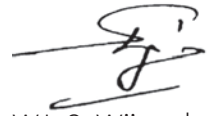
For the Year ended 31 st December	Note	2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
OPERATION RESULTS			
Recurrent Revenue			
Non Exchange		5,369,281,910	5,031,055,028
Exchange		2,362,618,016	2,554,757,799
Total Revenue		7,731,899,927	7,585,812,826
Expenses-Current (Non Capital)			
Personal Emoluments	7	4,260,421,693	4,289,329,578
Travelling Expenses	8	2,395,888	6,958,279
Supplies	9	204,101,403	170,924,179
Maintenance Expenses	10	72,520,733	85,541,250
Contractual Service	11	754,992,714	431,312,517
Other Recurrent Expenditure	12	215,401,054	101,339,393
Expenses from Development fund	13	312,746,755	100,866,902
Project Expenditure	14	33,983,468	95,696,843
Expenditure on Centre for Distance and Continuing Education	15	195,289,620	89,225,433
Expenditure on Fee - levying Courses/Special services		243,127,634	273,486,005
Provision for Gratuity		327,026,673	258,806,037
Expenses - Bursary		166,264,000	90,108,000
Expenses- Mahapola		273,360,500	240,398,250
External Research Grants		108,103,203	102,275,724
Loss on translation of foreign exchange		3,580,159	-
Total Expenditure		7,173,315,498	6,336,268,389
Current Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period		558,584,428	1,249,544,437
Non Exchange Revenue-Capital Grant		2,612,678,219	3,110,679,073
Expenses-Current/(Capital)			
Recurrent Expenditure from Capital Grant	16	19,740,843	17,875,299
Depreciation		827,960,564	722,074,988
Amortization of Intangible Assets		1,327,568	6,895,474
Total Expenses-Current/(Capital)		849,028,974	746,845,760
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period After Accounting for Capital Grant		1,763,649,245	2,363,833,313
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Period		2,322,233,673	3,613,377,751

11.2. Statement of Financial Position

Table 43: Statement of financial position

As at 31 st December	Note	2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
ASSETS			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property Plant and Equipment	17	15,526,169,769	13,404,001,206
Library Books and Cloaks	18	6,547,941	13,566,094
Capital Work in Progress	19	5,146,670,869	5,140,139,094
Intangible Assets	20	-	14,533,961
Financial Assets	21	3,764,140,210	3,551,284,238
		24,443,528,788	22,123,524,593
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	22	52,125,107	53,009,093
Sundry Debtors and Receivables	23	382,597,397	392,647,553
Advances to Staff	24	826,680	1,389,630
Advances and Prepayments	25	44,078,242	108,980,127
Cash and Cash Equivalents	26	922,727,669	683,668,229
		1,402,355,096	1,239,694,632
TOTAL ASSETS		25,845,883,883	23,363,219,226
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Accumulated Fund - Surplus/ (Deficit) - Capital	27	9,583,912,000	7,820,262,755
Capital Grants Unspent	28	118,483,827	101,342,609
Cabinet Approved Building Project	29	1,665,966	1,227,570
Revaluation Surplus		8,298,179,471	8,298,179,471
Retained Earning		2,904,199,771	2,731,495,331
		20,906,441,035	18,952,507,737
Income Received in Advance	30	1,129,108,546	1,106,685,841
		1,129,108,546	1,106,685,841
RESERVES & RESTRICTED FUNDS			
Internal Restricted Fund	31	1,710,386,041	1,394,640,256
Endowment Funds	32	38,151,004	27,900,792
Research Grants	33	123,827,638	170,479,452
		1,872,364,683	1,593,020,500
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provision for Retiring Gratuity	34	1,507,316,311	1,373,753,063
		1,507,316,311	1,373,753,063
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Deposit Refundable	35	107,003,047	100,730,215
Accrued Expenses and Other Payables	36	323,650,262	236,521,867
		430,653,309	337,252,081
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		25,845,883,883	23,363,219,226

These Financial statements have been prepared & presented in compliance with Public Sector Accounting Standards issued by the institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

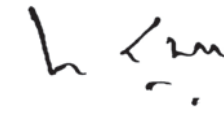


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Acting Bursar

The Council Members are responsible for the preparation & presentation of these Financial Statements. Signed for and on behalf of the Council.



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Council Member

University of Kelaniya
11th June 2024

11.3. Statement of Cash Flow

Table 44: Statement of cash flow

For the year ended 31 st December	2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Surplus/(Deficit) from Operating activities	558,584,428	1,249,544,437
Adjustments		
Gain on sale of Property Plant and Equipment	(227,185)	-
Provision for Non moving, slow moving & Obsolete Stock	348,060	-
Interest From Investments	(761,153,339)	(689,716,924)
Provision For Gratuity	327,026,673	258,806,037
Government Grant-Rehabilitation and Maintenance	(19,740,843)	(17,875,299)
Income Contributed to University Funds/Non Monetary Adjustment	(1,052,946,558)	(1,389,786,471)
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities before Working Capital Changes	(948,108,764)	(589,028,219)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	535,926	(12,518,179)
(Increase)/Decrease in Sundry Debtors and Receivables	(421,422)	(94,933,200)
(Increase)/Decrease in Advances to the Staff	562,950	(18,678,121)
(Increase)/Decrease in Advances and Pre Payments	64,901,885	(41,969,082)
Increase/(Decrease) in Accrued and Other Payable Expenses	115,588,367	17,989,174
Increase/(Decrease) in Deposits Refundable	6,272,833	(1,474,720)
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities After Working Capital Changes	(760,668,225)	(740,612,347)
Gratuity Payment	(75,033,026)	(98,344,482)
Net Cash Flow From Operating Activities	(835,701,251)	(838,956,829)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment	(510,570,691)	(967,676,506)
Proceeds from sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	916,500	-
Interest From Investments	771,624,917	609,457,204
Loans given	(6,094,592)	-
Capital Work in Progress	(171,344,383)	(137,346,763)
Intangible Assets	-	(12,407,271)
Investments	(206,761,379)	552,607,169
Restricted Funds and Grants	10,250,212	53,981,316
Net Cash Flow From Investing Activities	(111,979,417)	98,615,149
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Government Grant - Capital	413,647,687	174,500,000
Other Special Grants - Capital and Capital Contribution from other sources	481,575,746	50,658,464
Utilization of External Funds	291,516,676	41,489,353
Non-Monetary Adjustment	-	728,132,434
Net Cash Flow From Financing Activities	1,186,740,109	994,780,251
Net Increase/ (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	239,059,441	254,438,571
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the year	683,668,229	429,229,657
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the year	922,727,669	683,668,229

11.4. Statement of Changes in Equity

Table 45: Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 31st December in LKR	Deferred Capital Grants	Capital Grants Unspent	Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit) Capital	Cabinet Approval Building Projects	Revaluation Surplus	Retained Earnings	Reserves & Restricted Funds	Total
Balance as at 01 st January 2022	5,368,452,809	137,005,107	5,368,452,809	1,011,848	8,129,394,471	2,385,744,227	2,409,592,981	23,799,654,252
Reclassification as per SLPSAS 11 - Net movements	-	-	-	-	-	2,712,661,482	-	2,712,661,482
Reclassification as per SLPSAS 11 - Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit) -Capital	(2,712,661,482)	-	-	-	-	(2,712,661,482)	-	(5,425,322,965)
Reclassification as per SLPSAS 11 - Amortization of Government Grant	(2,655,791,326)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,655,791,326)
Reversal Depiction for reversed Capitalization	-	-	-	-	-	4,843,263	-	4,843,263
Balance as at 01 st January 2022 - Restated	-	137,005,107	5,368,452,809	1,011,848	8,129,394,471	2,390,587,490	2,409,592,981	18,436,044,707
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year	-	-	-	-	-	3,613,377,751	-	3,613,377,751
Transfers / Net movements	-	(3,320,312)	-	215,722	168,785,000	(799,763,340)	54,319,769	(579,763,162)
Funds Transfer to MBBS Grant	-	-	-	-	-	(55,810,334)	55,810,334	-
Funds Transfers from Fee-levying courses	-	-	-	-	-	(167,404,607)	167,404,607	-
Fund Transfers to Library Funds	-	-	-	-	-	(10,842,083)	10,842,083	-
Fund transfers to Endowment funds	-	-	-	-	-	(1,736,567)	1,736,567	-
Prior Year adjustment	-	-	57,553,506	-	-	(36,442,453)	-	21,111,053
Actual (Gain)/Loss on PV-DBO	-	-	-	-	-	158,547,503	-	158,547,503
Classification as per SLPSAS 11 - Accumulated fund -Capital	-	-	2,363,833,313	-	-	(2,363,833,313)	-	-
Prior Year adjustment	-	(32,342,186)	30,423,128	-	-	4,815,284	-	2,896,226
Balance as at 31 st December 2022	-	101,342,610	7,820,262,755	1,227,570	8,298,179,471	2,731,495,331	2,699,706,341	21,652,214,078

	Deferred Capital Grants	Capital Grants Unspent	Accumulated Surplus/(Deficit) Capital	Cabinet Approval Building Projects	Revaluation Surplus	Retained Earnings	Reserves & Restricted Funds	Total
Balance as at 01 st January 2023	-	101,342,610	7,820,262,755	1,227,570	8,298,179,471	2,731,495,331	2,699,706,341	21,652,214,078
Prior Year adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(6,745,572)	-	(6,745,572)
Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year	-	-	-	-	-	2,322,233,673	-	2,322,233,673
Transfers / Net movements	-	17,141,217	-	438,396	-	(102,500,000)	(93,297,929)	(178,218,316)
Funds Transfer to MBBS Grant	-	-	-	-	-	(63,954,994)	63,954,994	-
Funds Transfers from Fee-levying courses	-	-	-	-	-	(318,998,674)	318,998,674	-
Fund Transfers to Library Funds	-	-	-	-	-	(6,281,251)	6,281,251	-
Fund transfers to Endowment funds	-	-	-	-	-	(5,829,896)	5,829,896	-
Actual (Gain)/Loss on PV-DBO	-	-	-	-	-	118,430,400	-	118,430,400
Classification as per SLPSAS 11 - Accumulated fund -Capital	-	-	1,763,649,245	-	-	(1,763,649,245)	-	-
Balance as at 31st December 2023	-	118,483,827	9,583,912,000	1,665,966	8,298,179,471	2,904,199,771	3,001,473,228	23,907,914,262

11.5. Notes, Comprising a Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Other Explanatory Notes – 2023

11.5.1. Corporate Information

11.5.1.1. Reporting Entity

The University of Kelaniya , situated at Dalugama, Kelaniya, Sri Lanka is a full government -owned Higher Educational Institute established under the Universities Act No.16 of 1978 and subsequent amendments to it. The University is functioning under the Ministry of Education.

11.5.1.2. Nature of Operations and Principal Activities of the University

The University consists of Seven Faculties: The Faculty of Commerce and Management Studies, the Faculty of Humanities, the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Faculty of Science, the Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Computing & Technology and the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

Its Vision is to become a center of excellence in the creation and dissemination of knowledge for sustainable development. The main activities of the University are teaching, learning and promoting research. The objectives of the University are as follows:

- To create a high quality and flexible teaching and learning environment.
- To develop the highest quality faculties and staff to attain the strategic goals of the University.
- To create a multi-disciplinary research culture of global standing.
- To improve the image of the University by widening the range of economic and social engagements.
- To develop an excellent system of governance through efficient and effective administration and financial management.

11.5.1.3. Date of Authorization of Financial Statements

The Financial Statements were authorized to be issued by the Council of the University at its special Council meeting held on 26 February 2024.

11.5.1.4. Responsibility for Financial Statements

The Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements following Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards and for such internal control as the Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of Financial Statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error. The components of Financial Statements are as follows:

- Statement of Financial Performance
- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Changes of Net Assets/Equity
- Cash Flow Statements
- Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amount
- Notes, Comprising a Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and Other Explanatory Notes

11.5.1.5. Reporting period

The financial period of the University represents twelve months from 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023.

11.5.2. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements**11.5.2.1. Statement of Compliance**

The Financial Statements comprise the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Financial Performance, Statements of Changes in Net Assets / Equality, Cash Flow Statement, Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amount as well as Notes, Comprising a Summary of Significant Accounting Policies and other Explanatory Notes. These statements have been prepared in accordance with the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards (SLPSAS) Volume I, II & III issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka and adopted by the University Grants Commission by its Finance Circular Letter No.2/2018. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those used in the previous financial year. However, Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (LKAS) also have been used in the areas where no Public Sector Accounting Standards are available.

11.5.2.2. Basis of Measurement

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis and applied consistently. No adjustments have been made for inflationary factors affecting the Financial Statements except for the Property, Plant and Equipment measured at fair value and retirement benefit obligations measured based on the actuarial valuation method. The specific policies are explained in the succeeding notes.

11.5.2.3. Going Concern

Financial Statements have been prepared on the assumption that the University is going concern. The Council has made an assessment of the University's ability to continue as a going concern in the foreseeable future. Furthermore, the Council is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt upon the University's ability to continue as a going concern. They do not intend either to liquidate or cease operations of the University. Therefore, the Financial Statements continue to be prepared on a going-concern basis.

11.5.2.4. Accrual Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements except for information on the Statement of Cash flow, have been prepared following the accrual basis of accounting.

11.5.2.5. Functional and Presentation Currency

The Financial Statements have been presented in Sri Lankan Rupees (LKR), which is the University's functional and presentation currency.

11.5.2.6. Materiality and Aggregation

Each material class of similar items have been presented separately in the Financial Statements. Items of dissimilar nature or function have been presented separately they are immaterial.

11.5.2.7. Comparative Information

Comparative information, including quantitative, narrative and descriptive information as relevant, is disclosed in respect of previous Financial Statements. The presentation and classification of the previous year's Financial Statements are amended where relevant for better presentation and to be comparable with those of the current year.

11.5.2.8. Offsetting

Assets and Liabilities or Income and Expenses are not offset unless required or permitted by the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards.

11.5.2.9. Transaction of Foreign Currencies and Balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or valuation where items are re-measured. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the Statements of Financial Performance.

11.5.3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

11.5.3.1. Application of SLPSAS

The University has followed the SLPSAS when preparing and presenting Financial Statements of the University for the year 2023.

11.5.3.2. Changes in Accounting Policies

The year under review did not witness significant changes in accounting policies, and continued with the policies adopted in previous years.

11.5.3.3. Significant Accounting Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions

Preparation of the Financial Statements of the University requires the Management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions, which may affect the income, expenditure, assets, liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets & contingent liabilities at the end of the financial year.

11.5.3.4. Assets and Basis of their Valuation

11.5.3.4.1. Property, Plant & Equipment

The University applies the requirement of SLPSAS 07 on 'Property, Plant & Equipment' in accounting for its owned assets which are held for and used in the provision of the services or for administration purposes and expected to be used for more than one year. Property, Plant & Equipment (PPE) includes Lands, Buildings & Improvements, Office Furniture, Office Equipment, Lab & Teaching Equipment, Motor Vehicles, Water & Electricity Supply Scheme, Plant & Machinery, Computer Equipment/Accessories, Computer Software, Generators & Power Supply System, Drainage & Sewerage System, Sport Utensil/ Equipment, Others, Library Books & periodicals, and Cloaks.

11.5.3.4.2. Basis of Recognition

Property, Plant, and Equipment are recognized if it is probable that future economic benefit associated with the assets will flow to the University and the cost of the asset can be reliably measured.

11.5.3.4.3. Initial Recognition

Property, Plant & Equipment are initially recognized at cost, including the cost of purchase with any incidental expenses incurred in bringing the assets to their working conditions for their intended use, subsequent to initial recognition, Property, plant and equipment are measured at Cost less Accumulated Depreciation and Accumulated Impairment Loss.

11.5.3.4.3.1. Ceiling for Reporting Non-Financial Assets.

A ceiling of LKR 15,000 has been introduced in reporting non-financial assets for the convenience of the non-financial assets management of the University of Kelaniya and to minimize the high cost and more period that has to be incurred and spent to maintain accounts for a large number of items with low financial values. Accordingly,

assets valued at LKR 15,000 or more should be reported identifying as non-financial assets except Library Books & Periodicals and Furniture.

11.5.3.4.4. Subsequent Costs

The cost of replacing a component of an item of Property, Plant & Equipment is recognized in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the University, and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognized in accordance with the derecognition policy given below.

The costs of the repair and maintenance of Property, plant & Equipment are recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance as incurred.

11.5.3.4.5. Derecognition

The carrying amount of an item of Property, Plant & Equipment is derecognized on disposal; or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use. Any gains and losses on derecognition are recognized (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the assets) in the Statement of Financial Performance. Gains are not classified as revenue.

11.5.3.4.6. Depreciation

Depreciation is recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance on a Straight-Line Basis on each component of an item of Property, Plant and Equipment other than Freehold Land. Depreciation of an asset begins when it is available for use and ceases at the earlier of the date that the asset is classified as held for sale and the date that the asset is de-recognized.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

Table 46: Estimated useful lifetime of assets

Assets Category	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings & Improvements	20 Years
Office Furniture	10 Years
Office Equipment	05 Years
Lab & Teaching Equipment	05 Years
Motor Vehicles	05 Years
Water & Electricity Supply Scheme	10 Years
Library Books & Periodicals	05 Years
Cloaks	05 Years
Machinery	05 Years
Other Assets	05 Years
Computer Equipment/Accessories	05 Years
Computer Software	05 Years
Generator & Power Supply System	10 Years
Drainage & Sewerage System	10 Years
Sports Equipment	04 Years

The assets residual values and useful life are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period, as assets carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and Gain/ (Loss) is recognized in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

11.5.3.4.7. Legal cases against the Properties

Though the absolute ownership is vested with the University of Kelaniya, there are pending Court cases against the following two plots of Land donated to the University.

Table 47: Legal cases against the Properties

Property	Legal Case
Lot B of Damminnagahawatta in Dummaladeniya Extent-R:01 P:23.23-	District Court Marawila Case No.1538/L The above case has been filed against the University by one Mr. Ajith U Peiris, seeking declaration of title to the land called Damminnagahawatta, situated at Dummaladeniya in the district of Puttalam, which was gifted to the university by one P A Pedrick Perera Chandrasekara in 1961.
Thalagollawatta Land in Ragama Thalagolla (Donation)	District Court Gampaha Case No.1225/L The above case has been filed in the District Court Gampaha against the university by 15 plaintiffs, seeking that the plaintiffs be declared Co owners to the land called Thalagollawatta in Ragama, containing in extent 4 acres 2 roods and 33 perches, where the Faculty of Medicine is situated.

11.5.3.4.8. Heritage Assets

The University of Kelaniya processes several Heritage Assets such as Historical Artefacts found during an archeological excavation carried out by the Department of Archeology, the Faculty of Social Sciences. A collection of old coins and books in the Main Library and a collection of ancient Ola leaf manuscripts maintained by the Department of Library and Information Sciences. These assets are not valued as the archaeological value cannot be established.

11.5.3.4.9. Cost Model

Property Plant and Equipment except the revalued classes of assets are carried at its cost less accumulated depreciation. Lands are not depreciated and carried at its Cost/Revalued amount.

11.5.3.4.10. Revaluation Model

After initial recognition below classes of Property, Plant and Equipment (Lands, Buildings, Cloaks, and Motor vehicles) whose fair value can be measured reliably has been carried at revalued amounts, which is fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. These classes of assets are revalued at a frequency of once every five years.

The carrying value of Property, Plant & Equipment and Intangible Assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment; if any such indication exist, then the assets recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognized if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized in the statement of Financial Performance.

11.5.3.4.11. Investments

Investments represent an investment in fixed deposits and saving accounts. These investments have been accounted in compliance with SLFRS 09 - Financial Instruments. The investment in fixed deposits and saving accounts have been classified at amortized cost as per SLFRS 09. They are initially measured at fair value and subsequently measured at fair value less amortized cost by using an effective interest rate as required by SLFRS 09.

11.5.3.4.12. Staff Loans

The staff loans include Distress Loan, Computer Loan, Special Distress Loan, Vehicle Loan, Staff Loan and Vice-Chancellor Fund Loans. The staff loans have been classified as financial assets at amortized cost as per SLFRS 09. An impairment loss in any staff loan has been recognized on the expected cost method as stipulated in SLFRS 09.

11.5.3.4.13. Capital Work-In-Progress.

Capital expenses incurred on PPE which are not completed as at the reporting date are shown as Capital Work-In-Progress and cost incurred on Capital Work-In-progress is transferred to Property, Plant and Equipment when it is available for use.

11.5.3.4.14. Intangible assets

Online journals have been recognized as intangible assets when it is probable that future economic benefits that are attributable to the assets will flow into the enterprise and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. Intangible assets acquired are stated at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses. These costs are amortized over a period of 5 years.

11.5.3.4.15. Current Assets

Current Assets classified in the Statement of Financial Position are those which are expected to be realized in or consumed in the University's normal operating cycle, expected to be realized within twelve months after the reporting date or cash or a cash equivalent.

11.5.3.4.16. Inventories

Inventories are stated at cost and determined on First in First Out (FIFO) basis. Inventories mainly comprise of stationary and spare parts. Inventories are for consumption and not for resale.

11.5.3.4.17. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash in hand, demand deposits and short term highly liquid investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of change in value. For the purpose of Cash Flow Statement, cash & cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits in banks. Investments with short term maturity of six months or less from the date of acquisition are also treated as cash equivalents. The Cash Flow Statement is prepared based on the indirect method.

11.5.3.5. Accounting for Government Grants for Capital Expenditure**11.5.3.5.1. Recurrent Grant**

Recurrent grants are recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance on cash basis. Cost of rehabilitation of PPE and capital grants for construction and new work are recognized either as work in progress or Capital Assets where necessary.

11.5.3.5.2. Capital Grants

Government Grants for the Capital expenditure has presented in the Financial Statements in accordance with the SLPSAS – 11 – Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions.

11.5.3.6. Contribution to Capital Outlay from Outside Grants

The value of Property, Plant & Equipment purchased out of generated funds & various project funds were shown as "Contribution to Capital Outlay from Outside Grants".

11.5.3.7. Internally Restricted Funds

Internally restricted funds include funds committed for specific purpose. Development funds represent the cumulative position of University/Faculties/ Department Funds with net unspent balances at the year end.

11.5.3.8. Endowment Funds

Endowment funds include restricted donations received by the University and investment returns generated from endowment funds which are used in accordance with the various purposes established by the donors.

11.5.3.9. Taxes**11.5.3.9.1. Income Tax**

University is not liable to pay income tax on its income of the ordinary course of the business according to the prevailing tax regulations.

11.5.3.9.2. Value-Added Tax

University is exempted from paying Value Added Taxes according to the prevailing tax regulations.

11.5.3.9.3. Advanced Personal Income Tax (APIT)

The University currently remits APIT deducted from monthly salaries of the employees who are liable for payment of income tax which is not a part of the University expenditure. Hence, payment of APIT is not accounted in the accounts of the University.

11.5.3.10. Employee Benefits**11.5.3.10.1. Definitions****11.5.3.10.1.1. Short-Term Employee Benefits**

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognized for the amount expected to be paid if the University has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of the past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

11.5.3.10.1.2. Defined Contribution Plan

Employees are eligible for University Provident Fund (UPF) Contributions, Employees' Trust Fund (ETF), University Pension Fund and contributions are in line with the respective statues and regulations. The University of Kelaniya pays fixed contributions on basic emoluments plus cost-of-living allowances, academic allowances and monthly compensation allowances of employees to the University Provident Fund, Employees' Trust Fund and University Pension Fund and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. This obligation falls within the scope of the defined contribution plan SLPSA 19 on employment benefit. Obligation for contribution to defined contribution plan are recognized in profit or loss as the related service is provided.

11.5.3.10.1.3. Defined Benefit Obligation

In accordance with the Gratuity Act No. 12 of 1983, a liability arises for a defined benefit obligation to employees. Such defined benefit obligation is a post-employment benefit obligation falling within the scope of SLPSAS-19 on 'Employee Benefits'.

11.5.3.10.1.4. Measurement of Defined Benefit Obligation

The liability recognized in the Statement of Financial Position is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date. The calculation is performed annually by a qualified actuary using the Projected Unit Credit method (PUC). Re-measurement of the defined benefit liability, which comprises actuarial gains and losses, is recognized immediately in the Statement of Financial Performance. The University recognizes the increase in defined benefit liability attributable to the services provided by employees during the year (current service cost) in the Statement of Financial Performance. The discount rate has been derived, and an approximation of a long-term interest rate of 18% pa. (2022-18% and 2021-11.5%) has been used to discount future liabilities. The liability is not externally funded.

11.5.3.10.1.5. Accounting Estimate

The actuarial valuation involves making assumptions about discount rates, future salary increases and mortality rates. The complexity of the valuation, the underlying assumptions and its long-term nature, the defined benefit obligation is highly sensitive to changes in these assumptions. All assumptions are reviewed at each reporting date.

11.5.3.10.2. Actuarial Valuation of Retirement Gratuity

An actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31st December 2023 by Actuarial & Management Consultants (Pvt) Ltd, a firm of professional actuaries. The summarized report of the Actuarial valuation is as follows:

Table 48: Acturial Valuation of retirement gratuity

Assumption	2023	2022
Financial Rate of Discount	13% p.a	18.00% p.a.
Salary Escalation Rate		
Academic	Basic Salary and Allowances: 12.00% p.a.	Basic Salary and Allowances: 16.00% p.a.
Non-Academic	Basic Salary and Allowances: 10.00% p.a.	Basic Salary and allowances: 14.00% p.a.
Demographic		
Mortality	A 1967/70 Mortality Table, issued by the Institute of Actuaries, London	
Retirement Age		
Academic	65 Years	65 Years
Non-Academic	60 Years	60 Years
Staff Turnover Rate		
Academic	1.00 % p.a. across the board up to age 54 and thereafter zero	1.00 % p.a. across the board up to age 54 and thereafter zero
Non-Academic	0.50 % p.a. across the board up to age 54 and thereafter zero	0.50 % p.a. across the board up to age 54 and thereafter zero
Disability		
Academic & Non-Academic	10% of the Mortality Table	10% of the Mortality Table

Sensitivity Analysis

Sensitivity Analysis of Present Value of Defined Benefit Obligation (LKR)

A one percentage point increase (+1%) in the discount rate	= 1,391,973,627
A one percentage point decrease (-1%) in the discount rate	= 1,640,428,625
A one percentage point increase (+1%) in the salary escalation rate	= 1,640,658,727
A one percentage point decrease (-1%) in the salary escalation rate	= 1,389,900,101

11.5.3.11. Liabilities and Provisions

Current Liabilities

Current Liabilities are stated at their book value.

Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the University has a present obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligations and reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. The Provisions are shown under the accrued expenditure. The University arrives at an estimate on the basis of an evaluations of the most likely outcome. All known provisions have been accounted for in preparing these Financial Statements.

11.5.3.12. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events whose existence will be continued by the occurrence or non- occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the programme or a present obligation that is not recognized because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation.

A contingent liability also arises in extremely rare cases where there is a liability that cannot be measured reliably. The uncertainly does not recognize a contingent liability but disclose its existence in the Financial Statement.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events whose existence will be confirmend by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the University. The University does not recognize contingent asset but discloses its existence where inflow of economic benefits is probale but not virtually certain.

11.5.3.13. Revenue Recognition

11.5.3.13.1. Exchange Transactions

The income of research grants, miscellaneous projects & other grants, self -financing activities including academic assignments, and all other revenues have been recognized on accrual basis.

11.5.3.13.2. Non - Exchange Transactions-Capital

Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions-Capital are presented in the Financial Statements in accordance with SLPSAS 11. Accordingly, Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions-Capital grants is recognized as income in the Statement of Financial Position and transferred to the Accumulated Fund-Surplus Capital account. It is shown as a reserve account in the Statement of financial position as a cumulative amount.

11.5.3.13.3. Finance Income

Interest income is recognized on accruing basis using effective interest rate method according to SLFRS 09 due to the absence of SLPSAS.

11.5.3.13.4. Expenditure Recognition

Expenses incurred in carrying out all activities of the University are recognized on an accrual basis and charged to the Statement of Financial Performance.

11.5.3.13.5. Statement of Cash Flow

The Cash Flow Statement has been prepared by using the Indirect Method in accordance with the SLPSAS 2 - Cash Flow Statements whereby gross cash receipts and gross cash payments of operating activities, finance activities and investing activities have been recognized. Cash and cash equivalents comprise short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

11.5.4. Explanatory Notes

11.5.4.1. Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development Operation (AHEAD) Project

The AHEAD (Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development) Operation, a World Bank funded project, has been instrumental in supporting the higher education sector across the country from 2018 to 2023. The project's scope includes higher education activities under the Ministry of Higher Education, in the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the universities under its purview, SLIATE, ATIs, and non-state HEIs that offer degree programmes approved by the Ministry of Higher Education.

Strategic Result Areas:

The AHEAD Operation focused on three strategic result areas:

1. Increasing Students' Enrollment: Prioritizing disciplines for economic development.
2. Improving Quality of Higher Education: Enhancing Learning, Teaching, and Assessment (ELTA), English Language Skills Enhancement (ELSE), Professional Development, and Quality Assurance.
3. Promoting Research, Development, and Innovation: Encouraging a culture of research, development, innovation, and commercialization (RDIC).

Project Implementation at University of Kelaniya:

The Operations Technical Secretariat (OTS) at the University, headed by a Director, coordinated Finance, Procurement, Administration, and Project Coordination. The OMST of the Ministry of Education, integrated with the UGC, serves as the national apex body overseeing project operations.

Achievements at University of Kelaniya:

The University of Kelaniya successfully secured a total of twenty grants, distributed across all three Results Areas (RA):

RA 01 - Six grants, LKR 142 million

Department of Medical Education, Department of Industrial Management (Stage I and II), Department of Chemistry, Department of Mathematics, Departments of Physics, Statistics and Computer Sciences.

RA 02 - Eight grants, LKR 673 million

Faculty-level grants for three faculties: Faculties of Commerce and Management Studies, Humanities, and Science

Departmental-level grants for four departments: Departments of Accountancy, Commerce and Financial Management, Industrial Management, and Plant & Molecular Biology

In 2022, UOK received an additional equipment grant, specifically for the IT for Arts program, implemented through the Faculty of Social Sciences.

RA 03 - Six grants, LKR 160 million

Three Development Oriented Research (DOR) grants were awarded to the Samkathana Research & Archive Centre of the Faculty of Humanities, the Faculty of Science, and the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Two RIC grants were awarded to the Department of Chemistry and the Department of Physics and Electronics.

Another grant was awarded to support the University Business Linkage Cell for creating and fostering University-Business Linkages for research and commercialization endeavors.

University-Level Outcomes:

The university successfully completed all projects, contributing to a more conducive teaching-learning environment and fostering a culture of innovative research.

Outcomes include:

- A conducive teaching-learning environment with modern technology.
- Additional resources to accommodate increased intake to STEM programmes.
- Enhanced digital literacy and ICT skills among Arts students.
- Inclusive approach for students with disabilities and special needs.
- A culture of innovative research with the development of commercializable products.

PhD Scholarships:

Twenty-four academic staff members from the University of Kelaniya were awarded PhD scholarships, to pursue their studies in different universities abroad.

Financial Support and Collaborations:

The OMST, in coordination with UGC, initiated a plan to provide financial support to the University Equipment Procurement and civil work related to additional infrastructure requirements. Coordinators, Deputy Coordinators, Activity Coordinators, Research Assistants, Research Students, and Project Assistants played vital roles in implementing development proposals at the faculty and department levels.

The Administration of the University of Kelaniya has provided crucial logistical support and assistance in ensuring the successful implementation of the AHEAD Operation.

The AHEAD Operation has significantly contributed to the advancement of higher education at the University of Kelaniya, fostering innovation, inclusivity, and research excellence.

Details of the project activities carried out are as follows:

Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development Operation (AHEAD) Project

Table 49: AHEAD project activities

Main item	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	TOTAL LKR
Building	-	-	-	-	35,110,106.64	-	35,110,106.64
Computer & Accessories	410,700.00	12,472,805.00	38,033,879.89	49,082,750.00	55,503,199.50	52,175,972.52	207,679,306.91
Furniture	2,124,650.00	6,984,720.00	4,080,867.62	25,743,534.45	25,248,942.78	27,942,122.75	92,124,837.60
Lab & teaching equipment	20,384,000.00	822,000.00	2,400,900.00	36,295,380.22	17,004,672.55	41,213,867.75	118,120,820.52
Office Equipment	-	891,980.00	2,218,728.25	9,240,903.38	12,500.00	1,356,207.25	13,720,318.88
Other Equipment	39,500.00	1,106,879.00	762,732.99	4,108,280.32	18,578,079.00	10,412,593.50	35,008,064.81
Plant & Machinery	-	-	-	3,003,684.00	1,371,600.00	-	4,375,284.00
Air conditioner	-	-	-	10,080,617.60	1,876,291.78	1,772,477.31	13,729,386.69
Library Book	-	-	-	-	1,716,922.00	-	1,716,922.00
Computer Software	-	-	-	-	-	77,040.00	77,040.00
Generator & Power Supply System	-	-	-	-	-	1,130,000.00	1,130,000.00
TOTAL	22,958,850.00	22,278,384.00	47,497,108.75	137,555,149.97	156,422,314.25	136,080,281.08	521,662,088.05

11.5.4.2. Science and Technology Human Resources Development (STHRD) Project

The Science and Technology Human Resource Development Project funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) supports the government to develop technology faculties in three universities viz. University of Kelaniya, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka and Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka, and the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura to nurture a new breed of technology-oriented graduates equipped with market-relevant skills and entrepreneurial spirit.

The Faculty of Computing and Technology of the University of Kelaniya has been allocated a total sum of USD 29.2 Million under this project and a further sum of USD 10 Million is available for the four universities to be utilized under competitive proposal basis.

The Faculty of Computing and Technology will utilize the above funding to construct a building complex at the proposed Mudun Ela premises, procure books, software & equipment, train the staff, establish partnership programmes with reputed international universities and develop collaborative programmes with the industry.

The overall project is managed by the Project Management Unit (PMU) established under the Ministry of Education while the project coordination at the university level is handled by the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) headed by a Deputy Project Director. The responsibilities of the PIU includes monitoring and supervising construction of the faculty buildings and designing and implementing project activities, including procurement of goods and services, within the scope of the project to develop the faculty with assistance of the University Council/Senate and university academic staff. Finance operations of the project is handled by team headed by Senior Finance Officer- Finance under the supervision of Deputy Project Director- PIU.

Details of the project activities carried out are as follows:

Table 50: STHRD project activities

SN	Project Component	Estimated Cost (Rs)	Disbursements (Rs)					Total
			2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
1	Construction of the building complex for the faculty	3,690,000,000	-	1,006,500,000	1,142,100,000	2,540,858,072	1,819,605,052	6,509,063,124
2	Procurement of Goods- Capital	720,000,000	16,628,023	94,183,820	57,560,126	23,530,704	300,835,486	492,738,159
	Procurement of Goods- Recurrent			1,896,354	17,543,201	28,750		19,468,305
3	Short Term Training	19,620,000		700,000	1,300,000	1,014,883	202,500	3,217,383
4	Long Term Training	73,980,000		3,600,000	6,000,000	18,482,043	33,027,070	61,109,113
	Total	4,503,600,000	16,628,023	1,106,880,174	1,224,503,327	2,583,914,452	2,153,670,108	7,085,596,084

11.5.4.3 Related Party Disclosures

The University carried out transactions in the ordinary course of business on an arm's length basis with parties who are defined as Related Parties as per the Sri Lanka Accounting Standard - LKAS 24 on "Related Party Disclosures."

And there were no transactions entered into by the University with the organizations where Council members are Key Management Personnel of those organizations.

11.5.4.4. Presentation of Budget

The budget of the University is prepared based on accrual basis of accounting. Classification basis adopted in the budget is the nature of expenditure which is the same method followed in the presentation of Financial Statements of the University as well. The classification of income and expenditure is done by the University as per the guidelines issued by the Treasury. Since the budget and Financial Statements are prepared on accrual basis of accounting, need for reconciliation of budget and actual amounts does not arise. The budget covers the fiscal period from January 01 December 31, 2023, and includes all Faculties, Centers, Divisions and Units of the University. Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts are shown in separate annexure.

11.5.4.5. Events after Reporting Date

No circumstances have arisen since the reporting date which would require adjustments of disclosure in the Financial Statements other than disclosed below.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Table 51: Notes to the financial statements

For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
5	Government Grants for Recurrent Expenditure		
	Personal Emoluments	4,387,000,000	4,250,000,000
	Other Recurrent	375,000,000	193,000,000
	Rehabilitation & Improvements	19,740,843	17,875,299
	Government Grant-Sports Activities	-	3,500,000
	Total	4,781,740,843	4,464,375,299
For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
6	Internal Income		
	Tuition Fees (Undergraduate)	-	3,720
	Tuition fees (Undergraduate - Foreign)	74,196,208	72,998,922
	Tuition Fees (Post graduate)	17,385,399	25,204,905
	Examination Fees (Undergraduate)	13,903,651	9,075,346
	Examination Fees (Post graduate)	186,000	149,610
	Registration Fees (Undergraduate - Local)	17,028,896	20,437,567
	Registration Fees (Post graduate)	241,537	64,600
	Interest from Loans	5,886,119	5,337,376
	Other Internal Income	138,687,411	138,408,366
	Transfer from Development fund	553,542,053	854,701,446
	Total	821,057,275	1,126,381,859
6.1	Other internal income		
	Rent from Properties	6,574,095	6,715,603
	Sale of Produce	101,795	98,652
	Sale of Publications	161,100	304,000
	Library Fines	824,865	17,647
	Ancillary Activities - Hostels	4,376,270	2,508,050
	Miscellaneous Income	126,649,286	128,764,414
	Total	138,687,411	138,408,366
6.1.1	Miscellaneous income		
	Certificate Fees	13,564,637	13,172,442
	Cloaks Hiring & Fines	266,800	173,500
	Convocation Fee	26,551,700	33,381,150
	Postgraduate Library Income	36,000	62,000
	Application & Other Fee	12,891,315	7,304,673
	Provident Fund Charges	21,986,030	7,102,419
	Library cards & Identity Cards	9,500	37,475
	Fine From Contractors	-	55,447
	Other miscellaneous Income	51,343,304	67,475,308
	Total	126,649,286	128,764,414

For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
7	Personal Emoluments		
	(a) Academic		
	Salaries & Wages	981,217,315	953,391,875
	Provident Fund	217,461,998	214,586,679
	Pension	122,854,569	124,363,727
	E.T.F.	68,131,491	67,740,122
	Cost of Living Allowance	93,432,364	90,946,156
	Academic Allowances	1,198,152,062	1,215,196,631
	Special Allowance 20%	154,443,231	157,152,717
	Research Allowance	268,956,170	271,295,526
	Visiting Lecturers Fees	36,105,195	28,103,205
	Other Allowances	27,559,848	28,960,758
	Additional Allowance 2022	59,062,609	58,181,088
	Total	3,227,376,851	3,209,918,484
		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
	(b) Non-Academic		
	Salaries & Wages	452,281,350	467,918,159
	Provident Fund	59,826,624	63,820,825
	Pension	42,178,086	43,896,900
	E.T.F.	20,409,238	21,548,876
	Acting Pay	768,743	715,323
	Over Time	46,160,463	45,399,537
	Holiday Payments	1,794,563	1,736,826
	Cost of Living Allowance	77,043,364	82,477,572
	Special Allowances 20%	81,361,128	86,638,173
	Research allowance	7,823,895	7,294,718
	Additional Monthly Allowance 20%	183,128,190	195,396,743
	Other Allowances	10,530,131	9,495,408
	Additional Allowance 2022	49,739,068	53,072,035
	Total	1,033,044,842	1,079,411,094
	Total (a)+(b)	4,260,421,693	4,289,329,578
		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
8	Travelling Expenses		
	Domestic	721,010	370,788
	Foreign	1,674,878	6,587,491
	Total	2,395,888	6,958,279
		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
9	Supplies		
	Stationery & Office Requisites	64,550,205	52,036,050
	Fuel & Lubricants	37,475,199	33,447,411
	Uniform & Tailoring Charges	10,204,454	7,368,560
	Mechanical & Electrical Goods	1,817,816	1,128,267
	Chemical & Glassware	18,618,462	14,203,709
	Medical Supplies	4,915,614	1,491,537
	Other Supplies	66,519,652	61,248,645
	Total	204,101,403	170,924,179

For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
10	Maintenance Expenses		
	Vehicles	26,630,505	17,863,857
	Plant, Machinery & Office Equipment	43,545,691	65,914,214
	Building & Structures	1,733,610	950
	Furniture	403,195	1,746,650
	Other	207,733	15,580
	Total	72,520,733	85,541,250
		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
11	Contractual Services		
	Transport	127,844	48,565
	Telecommunication	64,516,558	69,598,685
	Postal Charges	2,760,270	3,250,314
	Electricity	291,090,420	94,117,608
	Security Services	103,987,887	56,755,370
	Water	54,093,217	32,095,885
	Cleaning Services	112,143,343	63,682,595
	Rent & Hire Charges	27,203,547	45,847,535
	Rates and taxes to local authorities	22,995,851	3,307,845
	Printing, Advertising etc.	55,502,498	47,324,631
	Others	20,571,277	15,283,483
	Total	754,992,714	431,312,517
		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
12	Other Recurrent Expenses		
	Special Services - Council & Committees	7,487,001	7,032,077
	Special Services - Professional & Other Fees	119,500	164,100
	Workshops, Seminars	193,925	-
	Academic Research	4,666,744	1,628,665
	Staff Development	3,079,017	1,659,614
	Holiday, Warrants & Season Tickets	5,839,458	2,949,604
	Entertainment Expenses	5,220,006	3,897,598
	Awards & Indemnities	112,500	240,000
	Contribution & Membership Fee	6,393,231	2,855,328
	Convocation	16,055,164	20,394,231
	Examination	141,744,536	54,818,537
	Others - Newspapers, Magazines etc.	10,984,389	2,936,470
	Bank Charges	5,400	4,565
	Field Trips	6,278,461	2,728,891
	Students Development Initiative	140,153	29,715
	Grants to other organization	7,081,568	-
	Total	215,401,054	101,339,393

For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
13	Expenditure from Development funds		
	Personal Emoluments	65,834,744	34,870,912
	Travelling Expenses	-	4,552,243
	Supplies	23,422,849	3,444,038
	Maintenance Expenses	79,802,623	8,543,185
	Contractual Services	15,814,927	18,345,250
	Other Recurrent	127,871,612	31,111,273
	Total	312,746,755	100,866,902
For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
14	Project Expenses		
	STHRD Project Expenses	14.1 33,229,570	19,525,676
	AHEAD Project Expenses	14.2 753,899	76,171,166
	Total	33,983,468	95,696,843
14.1	STHRD Project Expenses	2023 LKR	2022 LKR
	Procurement of Goods - Recurrent	-	28,750
	Short Term Training	202,500	1,014,883
	Long term training	33,027,070	18,482,043
	Total	33,229,570	19,525,676
14.2	AHEAD Project Expenses	2023 LKR	2022 LKR
	Recurrent Expenses	753,899	38,656,733
	PHD	-	37,514,433
	Total	753,899	76,171,166
For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
15	Expenditure on Centre for Distance and Continuing Education		
	Travelling Expenses	210	-
	Supplies	9,944,684	7,363,742
	Maintenance Expenses	11,328,753	4,662,993
	Contractual Service	44,227,160	15,292,491
	Convocation	19,135,365	17,084,284
	Examination	81,808,971	35,531,532
	Other Recurrent Expendire	28,844,477	9,290,391
	Total	195,289,620	89,225,433
For the Year ended 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
16	Recurrent Expenditure From Capital Grant		
	Rehabilitation and Improvement	16,031,085.93	15,100,169.00
	Human Capital Development	3,709,757.00	2,725,129.00
	Strengthening Research	-	50,000.00
	Total	19,740,843	17,875,298

17.01 17.01 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Description	Lands	Buildings & Improvements	Office Furniture	Office Equipment	Lab & Teaching Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Water & Electricity Supply Scheme	Total
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December 2022	5,838,290,257	7,801,793,033	705,644,036	2,070,766,152	620,339,140	168,785,000	73,930,082	17,279,547,700
Recategorization of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deduction of consumables	-	-	(27,020)	(1,023,386)	(135,885)	-	-	(1,186,291)
Restated Cost/Revalue Balance as at 31 st December 2022	5,838,290,257	7,801,793,033	705,617,016	2,069,742,766	620,203,256	168,785,000	73,930,082	17,278,361,409
Recategorization of assets	-	-	-	(585,519,774)	-	-	-	(585,519,774)
Additions- Acquisition	-	231,215,125	23,515,384	19,779,673	47,745,240	-	-	322,255,422
Additions- STHRD	-	-	48,592,880	-	47,420,125	-	-	96,013,005
Additions- AHEAD	-	-	27,942,123	1,356,207	41,213,868	-	-	70,512,198
Donations	-	-	47,381	-	-	-	-	47,381
Work in Progress capitalized during the year	-	1,984,417,660	-	-	-	-	-	1,984,417,660
Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	(850,000)	-	(850,000)
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December 2023	5,838,290,257	10,017,425,819	805,714,784	1,505,358,872	756,582,488	167,935,000	73,930,082	19,165,237,302
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2022	-	1,329,004,849	429,834,928	1,670,295,260	511,665,816	-	59,720,559	4,000,521,413
Deduction of consumables	-	-	(2,198)	(140,900)	(15,562)	-	-	(158,660)
Restated Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2022	-	1,329,004,849	429,832,730	1,670,154,360	511,650,254	-	59,720,559	4,000,362,752
Recategorization of assets	-	-	-	(258,791,982)	-	-	-	(258,791,982)
Depreciation during the Period	-	421,450,368	58,603,046	47,837,946	54,729,812	33,747,685	2,896,317	619,265,173
Sale of assets	-	-	-	-	-	(160,685)	-	(160,685)
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2023	-	1,750,455,217	488,435,776	1,459,200,325	566,380,066	33,747,685	62,616,875	4,360,675,259
Net Carrying amount as at 1 st January 2023	5,838,290,257	6,472,788,184	275,784,286	399,588,406	108,553,002	168,785,000	14,209,523	13,277,998,657
Net Carrying amount as at 31 st December 2023	5,838,290,257	8,266,970,602	317,279,009	46,158,547	190,202,423	134,187,315	11,313,206	14,804,562,044

17 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT
17.02

Description	Machinery	Computer Equipment/ Accessories	Computer Software	Generators & Power Supply System	Drainage & Sewerage System	Sport Utensil/ Equipment	Others	Total
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December 2022	109,194,419	-	-	-	-	-	447,458,673	556,653,092
Recategorization of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deduction of consumables	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,775,575)	(3,775,575)
Restated Cost/Revalue Balance as at 31 st December 2022	109,194,419	-	-	-	-	-	443,683,098	552,877,517
Recategorization of assets	(30,924,341)	570,755,785	43,379,618	30,924,341	-	21,238,456	(21,238,456)	614,135,403
Additions-Acquisition	-	144,189,814	1,839,748	5,110,980	2,611,432	199,000	32,544,527	186,495,502
Additions- STHRD	37,002,008	134,612,533	-	25,410,050	-	-	7,797,890	204,822,481
Additions- AHEAD	-	52,175,973	77,040	1,130,000	-	-	12,185,071	65,568,083
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December 2023	115,272,086	901,734,105	45,296,406	62,575,371	2,611,432	21,437,456	474,972,130	1,623,898,986
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2022	75,368,379	-	-	-	-	-	351,753,341	427,121,720
Deduction of consumables	-	-	-	-	-	-	(246,752)	(246,752)
Restated Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2022	75,368,379	-	-	-	-	-	351,506,589	426,874,968
Recategorization of assets	(10,410,189)	256,593,069	17,608,148	8,241,410	-	18,588,777	(13,898,948)	276,722,265
Depreciation during the Period	10,610,316	141,238,052	8,281,754	4,220,127	197,485	731,507	33,414,786	198,694,027
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December 2023	75,568,506	397,831,121	25,889,902	12,461,536	197,485	19,320,284	371,022,427	902,291,261
Net Carrying amount as at 1 st January 2023	33,826,039	-	-	-	-	-	92,176,509	126,002,549
Net Carrying amount as at 31 st December 2023	39,703,579	503,902,984	19,406,505	50,113,835	2,413,947	2,117,172	103,949,704	721,607,725

Lands abd Building whose fair value can be measured reliably have been requested for revaluation from the valuation department and the revaluation process will be stared in future.

18 LIBRARY BOOKS & CLOAKS

18.1 Library Books & Periodicals

	2023 LKR	2022 LKR
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 1 st January	366,826,252	361,646,938
Addition	2,983,209	5,179,314
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December	369,809,462	366,826,252
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 1 st January	356,094,496	346,500,513
Depreciation for the Period	7,507,299	9,593,983
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December	363,601,795	356,094,496
Net Carrying amount as at 1 st January	10,731,756	15,146,425
Net Carrying amount as at 31 st Decemeber	6,207,667	10,731,756

18.2 Cloaks

	2023 LKR	2022 LKR
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 1 st January	12,470,320	12,020,320
Addition	-	450,000
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 31 st December	12,470,320	12,470,320
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 1 st January	9,635,982	7,212,192
Depreciation for the Period	2,494,064	2,423,790
Accumulated Depreciation Balance as at 31 st December	12,130,046	9,635,982
Net Carrying amount as at 1 st January	2,834,338	4,808,128
Net Carrying amount as at 31 st Decemeber	340,274	2,834,338

As at 31 st December	2023 LKR	2022 LKR
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19 Capital Work in Progress

Balance at the beginning of the year	5,111,679,119	2,610,095,107
Previous year Adjustment	-	36,997,490
	5,111,679,119	2,647,092,597
<u>Add</u>		
Additions during the Period	1,990,949,435	2,629,855,839
<u>Less</u>		
Amount Capitalized during the Period	1,984,417,660	165,269,317
Balance at the end of the Period	5,146,670,869	5,111,679,119
Ten Storied Building	15,013,438	15,013,438
FCMS		
CNCLD Building	150,273,423	89,355,180
Faculty Of Medicine		
New Lecture Theatre Complex, Faculty of Science	294,415,812	183,989,671
STHRD Project Building	4,524,645,464	4,689,458,072
4-Storey Building as Pannarama Hostel	65,457,463	65,457,464
Six Storied Examination Building Complex	96,865,269	96,865,269
Total	5,146,670,869	5,140,139,094

As at 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
20 Intangible Assets			
Cost/Revalued Balance as at 1 st January		64,740,903	52,333,632
Opening balance adjustment		(28,615,629)	12,407,271
Balance as at 31st December		36,125,275	64,740,903
Accumulated Amortization Balance as at 1 st January		50,206,942	43,311,468
Opening balance transferred to computer software		(15,409,235)	-
Restated balance as at 1st January		34,797,707	43,311,468
Amortization for the Period		1,327,568	6,895,474
Balance as at 31st December		36,125,275	50,206,942
Net Carrying amount as at 1st January		1,327,568	9,022,164
Net Carrying amount as at 31st December		-	14,533,961
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
21 Financial Assets			
Investment		3,615,985,960	3,409,224,581
Distress Loans		136,835,877	128,303,867
Staff Loans		163,880	91,460
Transport Loans		6,935,824	4,711,387
Computer Loans		3,752,465	2,850,525
Special Distress Loan		244,320	269,480
Vice Chancellor's Fund Loan		221,883	5,832,938
Total		3,764,140,210	3,551,284,238
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
22 Inventories			
Inventories University		45,746,162	46,441,829
Inventories Medical Faculty		13,883,880	13,724,139
Provision for Non moving, slow moving & Obsolete Stock		(7,504,935)	(7,156,875)
Total		52,125,107	53,009,093
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
23 Sundry Debtors & Receivables			
Interest		185,072,947	195,544,525
Bursary		99,993,500	38,628,000
Receivables from President Fund (CKDU)		26,730,317	26,730,317
Others		1,909,222	1,262,888
Sundry Debtors		-	234,800
Dialog tower rent		79,200	792,000
Peoples Bank Branch Rent		22,500	-
ATM machine Rent		15,000	-
Receivable from treasury for capital Funds		68,774,711	129,455,024
Total		382,597,397	392,647,553

As at 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
24 Advances to Staff			
Festival Advances		632,503	696,253
Salary Advances		104,741	608,741
Special Advances		89,436	84,636
Total		826,680	1,389,630
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
25 Advances & Prepayments	Sub Schedule No.		
Advances for Supplies & Services	25-1	26,648,456	93,302,891
Other Advances & Deposits	25-2	1,125,621	1,058,290
Prepayments	25-3	12,607,445	10,422,226
Deposits	25-4	3,696,720	4,196,720
Total		44,078,242	108,980,127
25-1 Advances for Supplies & Services			
Research Advance		4,188,510	1,858,123
International Conference Advance		5,070,942	1,390,995
Miscellaneous Advance		11,915,351	6,875,758
Statutory Boards & Local Authorities		96,920	96,920
Capital Advance		5,376,732	83,081,094
Total		26,648,456	93,302,891
25-2 Other Advances & Deposits			
External Research Advance		255,031	-
Generated Fund Advance		92,429	36,640
Advance for Gender Studies Programme		370,171	1,021,650
Research Centre Development Fund		39,003	-
Advance		218,987	-
Strengthening Research Advance		150,000	-
Other		-	-
Total		1,125,621	1,058,290
25-3 Prepayments			
Service Agreements		8,839,824	7,444,802
Others		3,767,621	2,977,424
Total		12,607,445	10,422,226
25-4 Deposits			
Fuel Deposit		3,696,720	3,696,720
BMICH Deposit		-	500,000
Total		3,696,720	4,196,720

As at 31 st December		2023	2022
		LKR	LKR
26	Cash and Cash Equivalents		
	Sub Schedule		
	Cash Balance	922,727,669	683,668,229
	Total	922,727,669	683,668,229
26-1	Sub Schedule	2023	2022
		LKR	LKR
	(a) Cash Balances - Treasury Funds		
	P/B Kelaniya -A/C 1515	11,151,484	25,531,545
	P/B Kelaniya-A/C 2721	35,824,143	21,544,219
	P/B Ragama A/ C 308	4,854,557	1,922,640
		51,830,184	48,998,405
	(b) Cash Balances - Non Treasury Funds		
	P/B Kelaniya 4844	126,273,197	125,550,438
	P/B Kelaniya (7552)	6,005,660	2,208,550
	P/B Kelaniya (3300)	22,533,571	10,708,559
	P/B Ragama A/C (309)	4,411,359	1,698,773
	P/B Ragama A/ C (2735)	61,785,801	193,021,900
	P/B Kelaniya (7782)	89,754,917	70,821,615
	P/B NRFC A/C *	25,924	25,925
	US\$ Account	3,671,687	39,650,568
	Confucius	2,649,123	1,209,494
	P/B Kelaniya	8,824,513	1,172,224
	P/B Kelaniya	422,512,013	146,145,105
	P/B Kelaniya (1519)	117,510,905	36,625,858
	Collection A/C (CDCE)	100,000	100,000
	Collection A/C (CDCE)	100,000	100,000
	P/B Kelaniya	25,000	25,000
	P.B.Kelaniya - CNCLD Project	4,695,344	5,587,344
	P/B.Kelaniya- Saving Account	18,472	18,472
		870,897,485	634,669,824
	Total (a+b)	922,727,669	683,668,229

As at 31 st December		2023	2022
		LKR	(Restated) LKR
27	Accumulated Fund - Surplus/ (Deficit) - Capital		
	Balance as at 01 st January	7,820,262,755	5,368,452,809
	Previous year adjustment	-	57,553,506
	Restated Balance as at 01st January	7,820,262,755	5,426,006,314
	Add		
	Capital Investment During the year		
	Capital Investment from Treasury funds	206,471,419	202,187,959
	Rehabilitation and Improvements	60,224,606	62,103,610
	Acquisitions of Assets	35,820,672	92,092,767
	Construction Projects	110,426,141	47,991,582
	Capital Investment for CNCLD Building	60,918,242	89,355,180
	Construction Projects	60,918,242	89,355,180
	Capital Investment from AHEAD for Additional Intake	82,429,776	90,508,283
	Rehabilitation and Improvements	799,806	5,486,259
	Acquisitions of Assets	81,629,970	85,022,024
	Capital Investment from IT Infrastructure Development Fund	5,174,520	6,356,050
	Acquisitions of Assets	5,174,520	6,356,050
	Capital Grant AHEAD	136,080,281	156,422,314
	Rehabilitation and Improvements	-	35,110,107
	Acquisitions of Assets	136,080,281	121,312,208
	Capital Grant STHRD	2,120,440,538	2,564,388,776
	Acquisitions of Assets	300,835,486	23,530,704
	Construction Projects	1,819,605,052	2,540,858,072
	Donations	1,163,442	1,460,511
	Furniture	47,381	-
	Library Books	1,116,061	1,460,511
	Total Capital Investment During the year	2,612,678,219	3,110,679,073
	Balance as at 31st December	10,432,940,974	8,536,685,387
	Capitalising ICTC building expenditure	-	34,951,602
	Reverse capitalisation of consumables	-	(4,528,473)
	Total Expenditure - Capital	(849,028,974)	(746,845,760)
	Restated Balance as at 31st December	9,583,912,000	7,820,262,755
	As at 31st December	2023	2022
		LKR	(Restated) LKR
28	Capital Grant Unspent		
	Balance as at 01st January	101,342,609	137,005,108
	Opening balance adjustment		48,348,996
		101,342,609	185,354,103
	Add		
	Fund Received During the year	248,528,000	225,158,464
	Fund Received from UGC	165,119,687	129,455,023
		514,990,296	539,967,591
	Less		
	Rehabilitation and Improvement	(75,331,318)	(73,829,935)
	Acquisition of fixed assets	(146,121,011)	(192,330,969)
	Construction projects	(171,344,383)	(137,346,762)
	Human Capital Development	(3,709,757)	(2,725,129)
	Strengthening Research	-	(50,000)
	Sub Total	(396,506,469)	(406,282,795)
	Balance as at 31st December	118,483,827	133,684,795
	Inter-uni Sport Champ Unspent	-	3,500,000
	Adjustment of expenditure 2022	-	(890,584)
	Capitalising ICTC building expenditure	-	(34,951,602)
	Restated / Balance as at 31st December	118,483,827	101,342,609

As at 31st December		2023	2022
		LKR	LKR
29 Cabinet Approved Building Project Fund			
Balance as at 01 st January		1,227,570	1,011,848
Add			
Fund/Interest Received		438,396	215,722
Balance as at 31st December		1,665,966	1,227,570

As at 31st December		2023	2022
		LKR	(Restated) LKR
30 Income Received in Advance			
Fee - Levying Courses - Diploma & Certificates		206,563,549	229,953,997
Fee - Levying Courses - Postgraduate		438,297,332	438,649,290
Fee - Levying Courses -Others		11,970,650	4,694,424
Other Internal Programmes		36,020,884	36,509,293
External Examination - Examination Fee		356,274,253	302,517,046
External Examination - Seminar Fee		57,334,778	65,724,778
Others		22,647,100	28,637,013
Balance as at 31st December		1,129,108,546	1,106,685,841

As at 31st December		2023	2022
		LKR	(Restated) LKR
31 Internal Restricted Funds			
	Sub Schedule No.		
University Funds	31-1	1,142,051,194	1,001,203,778
Funds Received for Special Purpose	31-2	533,781,505	356,981,182
Other Reserves	31-3	34,553,341	36,455,296
Total		1,710,386,041	1,394,640,256

31-1 University Funds			
University Development Fund		262,014,162	254,929,938
ICT Development Fund		464,040	1,721,244
Centre for Sustainability Solution		4,648,253	5,151,217
Research Centre Development Fund-Commerce & Management		26,976,966	24,517,201
Research Centre Development Fund-Humanities		13,481,838	8,661,427
Research Centre Development Fund-Science		9,642,061	6,967,906
Research Centre Development Fund-Social Sciences		22,550,916	15,552,731
Research Centre Development Fund-Medicine		1,491,474	1,375,719
Research Service Centre Fund - Science		1,195,924	1,383,691
Research Council Fund		22,597,367	11,287,539
Social Science Faculty Development Fund		102,135,995	87,806,315
Science Faculty Development Fund		16,908,696	14,110,467

Medical Faculty Development Fund	135,006,300	150,709,400
Commerce & Management Studies Faculty Development Fund	78,515,129	67,203,320
Humanities Faculty Development Fund	26,843,019	28,193,977
Faculty Of Computing and Technology Development Fund	330,777	6,491,055
Faculty Of Graduate Studies Development Fund	26,940,766	20,576,877
Ola Leaf Library Fund	6,846,258	7,450,328
Department Development Funds	240,663,931	215,040,181
Department Development Fund - Faculty of Medicine	6,471,451	6,452,408
Centre For International Affairs	1,030,773	1,030,773
Communication and Media Unit	1,872,495	2,451,695
Library deposit for Main Library	2,398,120	4,951,679
Library deposit for Faculty Libraries	3,947,132	5,910,404
CDCE Fund	117,344,805	45,879,825
Central Business Incubator	552,340	-
Molecular Medicine Unit Fund	3,246,360	3,242,654
Research Council Fund - Faculty of Medicine	823,845	2,153,807
Internate / WI Fi Deposit Fund	5,110,000	-
Total	1,142,051,194	1,001,203,778

31-2 Funds Received for Special Purpose		
Vice Chancellor's Fund	58,601,093	47,178,791
Bond & Agreements Violation Fund	328,488,151	196,880,539
Interest of Bonds & Agreement Violations	82,780,558	48,326,463
Gratuity Fund	54,815,714	54,815,714
CKDU Information Research Centre Fund	110,976	110,976
CNCLD Project Fund- Medical Faculty	5,632,831	5,587,344
Staff development programme	3,352,182	4,081,354
Total	533,781,505	356,981,182

31-3 Other Reserves		
Staff development fund - UGC	2,314,601	2,366,045
Presidency Exhibition fund	89,778	89,778
Career Guidance Unit deposit	1,024,574	1,135,028
Glass Blowing Unit deposit	1,486,107	1,131,988
Centre for Gender Studies Deposit	3,891,463	5,019,548
Funds Received from Mahapola trust fund	2,810,403	2,810,403
International Conferences	9,736,882	11,233,947
Other Deposits	13,199,534	12,668,561
Total	34,553,341	36,455,296

As at 31 st December		2023	2022
		LKR	LKR
32	ENDOWMENT FUND		
	Prize Funds	5,935,691	5,449,691
	Scholarship Funds	13,219,661	7,875,765
	Income Balance - Prize Funds	9,816,138	7,613,546
	Income Balance - Scholarship Funds	9,179,514	6,961,790
	Total	38,151,004	27,900,792
32.1	Prize Funds		
	Balance at the beginning of the year	5,449,691	4,299,691
	Add		
	Add- Donations Received During the year	556,000	1,150,000
	Less		
	Less - Adjustments	(70,000)	-
	Balance at the end of the year	5,935,691	5,449,691
	Prize Funds		
	Prize Fund-Botany	-	5,000
	Medha Sri Ariyawanse Prize Fund	2,500	2,500
	P.A.P.A. Chandrasekara Prize Fund	2,833,944	2,833,944
	Prof. F.R. Jayasuriya Prize Fund	15,000	15,000
	M.A.P Manthirratne Prize Fund	-	5,000
	Dr. P.D. Kannangara Prize Fund	15,900	15,900
	Dpet.of Ind.Mng. Prize Fund	108,347	108,347
	Prof. D.J. Wijeratne Foundation Prize Fund	142,000	142,000
	Rev.Pandith Mudukatuwe Sri Ganarama Prize Fund	50,000	50,000
	Rev. Dr. K. Anuruddha Prize Fund	50,000	50,000
	Derick De Souza Memorial Prize Fund	36,000	36,000
	Rev. K. Wangeesa Prize Fund	60,000	60,000
	Budhadasa Galappatthi Prize Fund	10,000	10,000
	Rev. Sik Vin Sin Prize Fund	100,000	100,000
	Botany Society Prize Fund	-	60,000
	Prof. A.S. Disanayaka Prize Fund	275,000	275,000
	Prof. Carlo Fonseka Prize Fund	106,000	106,000
	Etsmen Kodak Prize Fund	50,000	50,000
	Prof. S.B.P. Wickramasooriya Prize Fund	75,000	75,000
	Family Medicine Prize Fund	200,000	200,000
	Prof. J.K.P. Ariyaratne Prize Fund	100,000	100,000
	Deshabandu sirisumana Godage Prize Fund	50,000	50,000
	Martin Wickramasinghe Prize Fund	100,000	100,000
	BOC Award Prize Funds	1,000,000	1,000,000
	PROF.Senaka Bandara Prize Fund	56,000	-
	Prof.Lal Chandrasena Prize Fund	500,000	-
	Total	5,935,691	5,449,691

		2023	2022
		LKR	LKR
32.2	Scholarship Funds		
	Balance at the beginning of the year	7,875,765	7,289,198
	Add- Donations Received During the year	5,273,896	586,567
	Adjustments	70,000	-
	Balance at the end of the year	13,219,661	7,875,765

Scholarship Funds	2023	2022
P.P. Jayawardena Scholarship Fund	15,000	15,000
Perter Silva Scholarship Fund	5,000	5,000
Dr. Chithra Fernando Scholarship Fund	200,000	200,000
Hawampola Sri Rathanasara Scholarship Fund	100,000	100,000
Linus Silva Scholarship Fund	10,000	10,000
Agnus Peduru Scholarship Fund	132,063	132,063
Mary's Friends Scholarship Fund	100,000	100,000
Rathnakara Scholarship Fund	100,000	100,000
Prof. H.H. Costa Memorial Scholarship Fund	500,000	500,000
S. Jayawardena Scholarship Fund	200,000	200,000
Linus Silva/Agnus Peduru Scholarship Fund	54,274	54,274
Prof. Shelton Gunaratne Memorial Scholarship Fund	1,181,062	1,181,062
Rajamanthre Scholarship Fund	150,000	150,000
Student Trust Scholarship Fund (HRM)	700,000	700,000
Prof P.Ranasinghe Scholarship Fund	200,000	200,000
W.S.karunathilake scholarship fund	650,000	650,000
Laxmi and Dharmasena Memorial Scholarship Fund	1,239,168	1,000,000
Prof. Dilushi Sandaken Hettiarachchi Scholarship Fund	615,584	500,000
Emeritus Prof.Mangala Ilangasinghe Scholarship Fund	175,000	175,000
Prof.Kalinga Mudali & His Family Scholarship Fund	2,322,511	1,803,367
Plant & Molecular Biology Fund	70,000	-
Dr.P.T. De Silva Scholarships Fund	3,500,000	-
Rev. Dr.Walpola Piyananda Schorlarship Fund	800,000	-
K.M.P.Kulasekara Scholarship Fund	100,000	100,000
Prof.N.K. Dangalla Scholarships Fund	100,000	-
Total	13,219,661	7,875,765

	2023	2022
	LKR	LKR
32.3 Income Balance - Prize Funds		
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,613,546	6,264,497
Add- Interest income received during the year	2,472,450	1,595,450
Less- Prize Awarded During the year	(75,968)	(246,401)
Adjustment	(193,890)	-
Balance at the end of the year	9,816,138	7,613,546

Income Balance - Prize Funds

Dpet.of Ind.Mng. Prize Fund -Interest	43,149	17,698
Prize Fund-Botany -Interest	-	5,302
Prof. F.R. Jayasuriya Prize Fund -Interest	18,999	17,345
Medha Sri Ariyawanse Prize Fund -Interest	10,036	7,930
Rev. K. Wangeesa Prize Fund -Interest	63,377	46,132
Rev. Sik Vin Sin Prize Fund -interest	273,156	206,558
Rev. Dr. K. Anuruddha Prize Fund -Interest	314,404	244,788
Budhadasa Galappatthi Prize Fund -Interest	33,644	26,312
Prof. D.J. Wijeratne Foundation Prize Fund -Interest	476,506	375,590
Derick De Souza Memorial Prize Fund -Interest	40,838	27,930
Botany Society Prize Fund -Interest	-	82,164
P.A.P.A. Chandrasekara Prize Fund -Interest	7,022,148	5,365,619
Prof. Carlo Fonseka Prize Fund -Interest	173,469	147,900
Prof. A.S. Disanayaka Prize Fund -Interest	466,571	414,124
Prof. S.B.P. Wickramasooriya Prize Fund -Interest	63,399	43,469
Etsmen Kodak Prize Fund -Interest	106,568	80,266
Family Medicine Prize Fund -interest	315,671	250,644
Prof. J.K.P. Ariyaratne Prize Fund -Interest	124,772	101,971
M.A.P Manthirratne Prize Fund -Interest	-	84,421
Dr. P.D. Kannangara Prize Fund-Interest	89,700	66,396
BOC Award-Interest	115,500	986
Deshabandu Sirisumana Prized -Interest	14,500	-
Mertin Wickramasinghe Prized Fund- Interest	29,000	-
Prof.Senaka Bandara Prized Fund-Interest	16,240	-
Prof.Lal Chandrasena Prize Fund- Interest	4,490	-
Total	9,816,138	7,613,546

	2023	2022
	LKR	LKR
32.4 Income Balance - Scholarship Funds		
Balance at the beginning of the period	6,961,790	5,022,396
Add- Interest income received during the period	3,575,617	2,138,580
Less- Prize Awarded During the period	(952,000)	(199,186)
Adjustments	(405,892)	-
Balance at the end of the period	9,179,514	6,961,790

Income Balance - Scholarship Funds

	2023	2022
Dr. Chithra Fernando Scholarship Fund(interest)	3,065,221	2,516,690
Perter Silva Scholarship Fund (Interest)	31,424	25,305
P.P. Jayawardena Scholarship Fund (Interest)	82,453	66,082
Linus Silva/Agnus Peduru Scholarship Fund -Interest	113,523	82,808
Agnus Peduru Scholarship Fund -interest	70,864	57,574
Mary's Friends Scholarship Fund (Interest)	220,965	167,045
S. Jayawardena Scholarship Fund Interest	272,886	198,448
Rathnakara Scholarship Fund (Interest)	199,266	149,293
Prof. H.H. Costa Memorial Scholarship Fund (Interest)	355,798	343,488
Prof. Shelton Gunaratne Memorial Scholarship Fund (Interest)	1,901,598	1,531,985
Rajamanthre Scholarship Fund Interest	267,614	197,458
Hawanpola Sri Rathanasara Scholarship Fund -Interest	302,029	234,491
Student Trust Scholarship Fund (HRM) -Interest	622,719	483,713
Prof P.Ranasinghe Scholarship Fund -Interest	244,218	147,162
W.S.karunathilake scholarship Fund -Interest	462,411	292,565
Laxmi & Dharmasena Scholarship-Interest	162,604	239,168
Dr.Dilrukshi Sandaken Hettiarachchi.Shorlership-Interest	80,422	115,584
Prof.Mangala Illangasinghe-Interest	64,595	24,345
Sudath Kalimgamudali Scholarship Interest	163,329	45,985
K.M.P.Kulasekara School. -Interest	65,634	42,602
Plant & Molecular Biology Scholarship Interest	220,162	-
Dr.P.T. De Silva Schorlership Interest	170,406	-
Rev. Dr.Walpola Piyananda Schorlarship Fund	35,000	-
Prof.N.K. Dangalla Scholarships Fund	4,375	-
Total	9,179,514	6,961,790

As at 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
33 Research Grants	Sub Schedule		
Grants received from NSF	No. 33-1	2,436,984	4,664,735
Grants received from Ministry of Science & Technology	33-2	2,259,416	1,263,557
Grants received from UGC	33-3	831,050	1,633,850
Grants received from other institutes	33-4	108,435,745	152,510,727
University research grants	33-5	9,864,443	10,406,583
Balance at the end of the period		123,827,638	170,479,452
33.1 Grants received from National Science Fundation (NSF)			
Balance at the beginning of the year		4,664,735	5,485,149
Add			
Grants received during the year		-	1,242,108
Less			
Payments during the year		2,227,751	2,062,522
Balance at the end of the year		2,436,984	4,664,735
33.2 Grants received from Ministry of Science & Technology			
Balance at the beginning of the year		1,263,557	1,356,285
Add			
Grants received during the year		2,010,000	745,000
Less			
Payments during the year		1,014,142	837,728
Balance at the end of the year		2,259,416	1,263,557
33.3 Grants received from University Grants Commission (UGC)			
Balance at the beginning of the year		1,633,850	1,648,850
Add			
Grants received during the year		700,000	-
Less			
Payments during the year		1,502,800	15,000
Balance at the end of the year		831,050	1,633,850
33.4 Grants received from other institutes			
Balance at the beginning of the year		152,510,727	117,123,131
Add			
Grants received during the year		58,215,109	131,767,209
Less			
Payments during the year		98,273,651	96,379,614
Ajustment		4,016,440	-
Balance at the end of the year		108,435,744	152,510,727
33.5 University research grants			
Balance at the beginning of the year		10,406,583	10,555,500
Add			
Grants received/ Adjustment during the year		4,542,720	2,524,941
Less			
Payments during the year		5,084,860	2,673,858
Balance at the end of the year		9,864,443	10,406,583

As at 31 st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
34 Provision for Retiring Gratuity			
Provision for PV/DBO as at 1st January		1,373,753,063	1,371,839,011
Interest Cost for the Period		247,275,551	157,761,486
Past Service Cost		-	17,440,079
Current Service Cost for the Period		79,751,122	83,604,471
Less: Payments made during the Year		(75,033,026)	(98,344,482)
Actual (Gain)/Loss on PV-DBO		(118,430,400)	(158,547,503)
Balance at the end of the period		1,507,316,311	1,373,753,063
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 LKR
35 Refundable Deposit			
Tender Deposits		1,013,500	1,153,850
Security Deposits		55,678,401	56,444,919
Library Deposits		50,311,146	43,131,446
Balance at the end of the period		107,003,047	100,730,215
As at 31st December		2023 LKR	2022 (Restated) LKR
36 Accrued Expenses & Other Payables			
Accrued Audit Fees		2,180,640	1,687,000
Accrued expenses for Contractual Services		62,001,922	27,854,000
Accrued Expenses of Fee levying Courses		16,662,066	7,882,717
Accrued Maintenance Expenses		508,500	36,138,903
Accrued other Recurrent Expenses		81,699,394	16,496,424
Accrued other Supplies Expenses		4,034,397	1,180,350
Accrued Personal Emoluments		75,611,798	57,552,600
Accrued Stores Supplies		8,081,845	15,004,477
Accrued Travelling Expenses		100,000	96,044
SSCL Payable		3,908,097	-
Fixed Assets Payable		10,382,617	29,350,558
Others		28,872,305	22,372,832
Staff security deposits		59,066	65,449
Stamp Deposits		64,175	64,175
Sundry creditors		943,580	5,837,961
Sundry Deposits		28,539,858	14,938,377
Total		323,650,262	236,521,867

Table 52: Statement of comparison of budgeted and actual amounts

UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA

STATEMENT OF THE COMPARISION OF BUDGET AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS - 2023

Category / Object Title	Budget - 2023	Actual - 2023	Variance	LKR % of Variance C/A * 100
A	B	C		
INCOME				
Governmnet Grants -Recurrent	4,808,000,000	4,762,000,000	(46,000,000)	
Governmnet Grants -Capital	250,000,000	248,528,000	(1,472,000)	
Internal Income	881,632,000	1,028,668,561	147,036,561	
Transfer from Development fund	320,000,000	553,552,053	233,552,053	
Total Income	6,259,632,000	6,592,748,614	333,116,614	5%
EXPENSES				
Personal Emoluments				
Academic Staff	3,314,350,000	3,227,376,851	86,973,149	
Non-Academic Staff	1,118,650,000	1,033,044,842	85,605,158	
Total	4,433,000,000	4,260,421,693	172,578,307	4%
Travelling Expenses				
Domestic	800,000	721,010	78,990	
Foreign	9,500,000	1,674,878	7,825,122	
Total	10,300,000	2,395,888	7,904,112	77%
Supplies				
Stationery and Office Requisites	67,500,000	64,550,205	2,949,795	
Fuel & Lubricants	35,500,000	37,475,199	(1,975,199)	
Uniforms & Tailoring Charges	13,177,368	10,204,454	2,972,915	
Mechanical & Electrical goods	1,800,000	1,817,816	(17,816)	
Chemicals & Glassware	18,163,801	18,618,462	(454,661)	
Medical Supplies	4,600,000	4,915,614	(315,614)	
Other Supplies	54,268,968	66,519,652	(12,250,684)	
Total	195,010,138	204,101,403	(9,091,265)	-5%
Maintenance Expenditure				
Vehicles	35,000,000	26,630,505	8,369,495	
Plant, Machinery and Equipment	75,000,000	43,545,691	31,454,309	
Buildings and Structures	3,500,000	1,733,610	1,766,390	
Furniture	4,500,000	403,195	4,096,805	
Other	1,500,000	207,733	1,292,268	
Total	119,500,000	72,520,733	46,979,267	39%
Contractual Services				
Transport	100,000	127,844	(27,844)	
Telecommunication	55,093,964	64,516,558	(9,422,594)	
Postal Charges	5,075,000	2,760,270	2,314,730	
Electricity	238,363,585	291,090,420	(52,726,834)	
Security Services	45,859,561	103,987,887	(58,128,326)	
Water	20,156,160	54,093,217	(33,937,057)	
Cleaning Services	61,150,000	112,143,343	(50,993,343)	
Rental & Hire Charges	80,929,062	27,203,547	53,725,514	
Rates and Taxes To Local Authority	91,505,747	22,995,851	68,509,895	
Printing, Advertising etc.,	98,610,459	55,502,498	43,107,961	
Other	24,000,000	20,571,277	3,428,723	
Total	720,843,538	754,992,714	(34,149,176)	-5%

Table 52: (Continued)

UNIVERSITY OF KELANIYA

STATEMENT OF THE COMPARISION OF BUDGET AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS - 2023

Category / Object Title	Budget - 2023	Actual - 2023	Variance	LKR % of Variance C/A * 100
A	B	C		
Other Recurrent Expenditure				
Special Services - Council & Committees	10,000,000	7,487,001	2,512,999	
-Do- Professional & Other Fees	700,000	119,500	580,500	
Workshops, Seminars	17,091,361	193,925	16,897,435	
Academic Research & Publications	4,500,000	4,666,744	(166,744)	
Staff Development (Training for Teachers, Administrators & Other Employees)	4,000,000	3,079,017	920,983	
Holiday Warrants Season Tickets	7,500,000	5,839,458	1,660,542	
Convocation Expenses	77,650,000	16,055,164	61,594,836	
Entertainment Expenses	8,500,000	5,220,006	3,279,994	
Contributions & Membership Fees	4,500,000	6,393,231	(1,893,231)	
Examination Expenses	220,000,000	141,744,536	78,255,464	
Other	111,080,241	24,602,471	86,477,770	
Total	465,521,602	215,401,054	250,120,548	54%
Total Recurrent Expenditure	5,944,175,278	5,509,833,485	434,341,793	
Capital Expenditure				
Rehabilitation and Improvements	97,192,000	75,331,318	21,860,682	
Acquisition of Assets	39,893,000	146,121,011	(106,228,011)	
Construction Projects	112,831,000	171,344,383	(58,513,383)	
Human Capital Development Project	84,000	3,709,757	(3,625,757)	
Strengthenung Research	-	-	-	
Total Capital Expenditure	250,000,000	396,506,469	(146,506,469)	-59%
Total Expenditure	6,194,175,278	5,906,339,954	287,835,323	

12. Report of the Auditor General

HED/G/UOK/1/23/19

Dated, August 2024

Vice Chancellor

University of Kelaniya

Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements and Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements of the University of Kelaniya for the year ended 31 December 2023 in terms of Section 12 of the National Audit Act No.19 of 2018

1. Financial Statements

1.1 Opinion

The audit of the financial statements of the University of Kelaniya for the year ended 31 December 2023 comprising the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023 and the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, was carried out under my direction in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka read in conjunction with the provision of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018 and sub section 107(5) of the University Act No 16 of 1978. My comments and observations which I consider should be published with the annual report of the University in terms of sub-section 108(1) of the University Act, appear in this report. My report to Parliament in pursuance of provisions in Article 154(6) of the Constitution will be tabled in due course.

In my opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the University as at 31 December 2023 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards.

1.2 Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards (SLAuSs). My responsibilities, under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of my report. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

1.3 Other information included in the University's 2023 Annual Report

The other information comprises the information included in the University's 2023 Annual Report but does not include in the financial statements and my auditor's report thereon, which I have obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report. Management is responsible for the other information.

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and I do not express any form of assurance or conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If based on the work I have performed on the other information that I have obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

1.4 Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the University's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intend to liquidate the University or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the University's financial reporting process.

As per Section 16(1) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the University of Kelaniya is required to maintain proper books and records of all its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities, to enable annual and periodic financial statements to be prepared of the University.

1.5 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the University ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the University to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

2. Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

2.1 National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018 includes specific provisions for following requirements.

2.1.1 I have obtained all the information and explanation that required for the audit and as far as appears from my examination, proper accounting records have been kept by the University as per the requirement of section 12(a) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

2.1.2 The financial statements presented is consistent with the preceding year as per the requirement of section 6(1)(d)(iii) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

2.1.3 The financial statements presented includes all the recommendations made by me in the previous year as per the requirement of section 6(1)(d)(iv) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

2.2 Based on the procedures performed and evidence obtained were limited to matters that are material, nothing has come to my attention to make the following statements.

2.2.1 to state that any member of the governing body of the University has any direct or indirect interest in any contract entered into by the University which are out of the normal cause of business as per the requirement of section 12(d) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018;

2.2.2 to state that the University has not complied with any applicable written law, general and special directions issued by the governing body of the University as per the requirement of section 12(f) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018 except for;

Reference to law/ Direction	Description
(a) The Financial Regulations of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	
(i) Financial Regulation 371	A sum total sum of Rs.7,551,320 given as advances in 48 occasions had not been settled.
(ii) Financial Regulation 571	Action had not been taken to settle the tender and security deposits total amounting to Rs.14,096,353 over 02 years and library deposits amounting to Rs.9,536,491 over 05 years.
(b) Section 04(ii) of Management Services Circular No. 02/2014 dated 11 February 2014	A sum of Rs.11,382,909 had been paid as research allowances to 31 lecturers who had not submit interim research reports during the year under review.

2.2.3 to state that the University has not performed according to its powers, functions and duties as per the requirement of section 12(g) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

2.2.4 to state that the resource of the University has not procured and utilized economically, efficiently and effectively within the time frames and in compliance with the applicable laws as per the requirement of section 12(h) of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

2.3 Other Matters

- (a) Although a total sum of Rs.15,013,437 has been paid as consultancy service fees in the years 2020 and 2021 to the institute providing consultancy services for the construction of a 10 storied faculty building for the Faculty of Commerce and Management, construction works of the building had not been commenced even until 31 December 2023.
- (b) Due to reasons beyond the control of the university and the contractor, the Director (Infrastructure Development) of the Ministry of Education had given instruction by the letter dated 21 June 2021 to terminate the construction of the 4-storey Hettiaiwatta, Panjarama hostel building which had started on 10 August 2020. Accordingly, an additional amount of Rs.4,029,430 the contractor had to pay as per the agreement of both parties to terminate the contract midway. As such, the construction of a required hostel building for the students had not been done and a sum of Rs.65,457,463 had been spent by the end of the year 2023 was an idle expenditure.
- (c) The Chief Security Officer had submitted a requirement of 09 guard rooms on 30 November 2021 and in less than a year, requirement of another 8 guard rooms had been submitted. In the first procurement, the cost of a guard rooms was Rs.276,000, but in the second procurement, it was increased to Rs. 521,000. As such, an additional cost of Rs. 1,715,000 had to be spent for the 7 guard rooms built for the second time. Also, the thickness of the galvanized sheets of the guard rooms was different from the expected specifications.
- (d) Out of the stationary and maintenance items procured during the period from 2012 to 2023 without properly identifying the requirement, the value of nonmoving goods was Rs.5,736,393, the value of slow moving goods was Rs.1,334,240 and the value of damaged goods was Rs.401,834 as on 31 December 2023.

- (e) The total interest income of Rs.18,995,650 received from the investment of scholarship and prize fund as on 31 December of the year under review, remained underutilized without being spent for the relevant purposes.
- (f) The approved permanent academic cadre for the 6 faculties was 829 and the actual cadre as on 31 December 2022 was 690 and 125 of them had taken their sabbatical leave and study leave. As such, assistance of external lecturers was taken for actively carry out the studies of the 15310 students of the university and cover the syllabus and a sum of Rs.36,105,195 had been paid as external lecturers fees in the year 2023and it was an increase of 28 percent compared to the year 2022.

W.P.C. Wickramarathna
Auditor General

13. Council Observation

My No. : UK/IA/04/HED/G/UOK/1/23/19
Your No. : HED/G/UOK/1/23/19

30 September 2024

The Auditor General,
National Audit Office,
No.306/72,
Polduwa Road,
Battaramulla.

Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the University of Kelaniya for the year ended 31 December 2023 in terms of Section 12 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018.

The clarifications pertaining to the report of the Auditor General, in accordance with Section 12 of the Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018, regarding the financial statements with your even number dated 21 August 2024, for the year ended 31 December 2023, are as follows.

2. Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements
2.2.2. To state that the University has not complied with any applicable written law, general and special directions issued by the governing body of the Company as per the requirement of section 12 (f) of the National Audit Act, No. 19, except for the following observations.

(a) The Financial Regulations of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

i. Financial Regulation 171

As of 31.12.2023, from the total advance balance of Rs. 7,551,320, which had been provided in 48 instances, a sum of Rs. 4,116,600 given in 34 instances has been settled. The remaining unsettled advance balance is Rs. 3,434,720, with details as follows.

No.	Date of Issuing Advancces	Description/ Person who received advances	Amount	Remarks
01	16.01.2023	Thusitha Wickramasinghe For Faculty of Medicine Nimthera 2023 Concert	100,000	Not settled
02	16.03.2023	Sachinta Pitigala Mathaka 2023 concert	100,000	Not settled
03	10.04.2023	S.M.U.P Subhasinghe For the transport of ethanol	20,000	Not settled
04	07.12.2023	P.K.C Senarath	10,000	Not settled
05	24.11.2023	G. A. S. G. Godamune	390,000	Not settled
06	11.12.2023	S. M.S Priyadarshini L.A de Silva	100,000 100,000	Not settled
07	12.12.2023	Vijayananda Rupasingha L. D. Liyanage R.S.P Rajapaksa	100,000 100,000 100,000	Not settled
08	13.12.2023	J.N Dasanayake	15,000	Not settled
09	15.12.2023	V.L.D.A. M. Wijesingha	1,100,000	Not settled
10	15.12.2023	Chanaka Udayanta	100,000	Not settled
11	16.03.2023	Janani Madurika For selection committees	48,000	It has been cancelled. The signature of the relevant officer will be obtained in the future for the advances that have been canceled.
12	06.09.2023	W.G.D.S. Vahigaldeniyala For the 14th University Games	100,000	It has been cancelled. The signature of the relevant officer will be obtained in the future for the advances that have been canceled.
13	07.08.2023	W.A Sarath Kumara	950,000	An amount of Rs. 950,000 has not been issued to Mr. W.A. Sarath Kumara as an advance.
14	18.07.2023	M.P.K.D. Buddhi Kumara	1,720	As of 18.07.2023, there is no an advance under this name
		Total	3,434,720.00	

ii. Financial Regulation 171

Tender Deposits and Security Deposits

Most of the tender and security deposits that continued to exist for more than two years have been addressed by 30 April 2024, in line with Financial Regulations, with the approval of the relevant divisions (General Administration and Project Offices). The tender and security deposits not processed in accordance with Financial Regulations have been referred to the relevant divisions for supervision.

Refundable Library Deposits

Refundable library deposits are returned after the relevant student completes the course and submits a request for the deposit refund. However, due to the extension of the registration period for postgraduate students following the COVID-19 pandemic, students who registered in 2017 and 2018 are still requesting deposit refunds. Therefore, action will be taken to transfer the value of refundable library deposits exceeding five years to university revenue during the year 2024.

(b) Section 04 (ii) of Management Services Circular No. 02/2014 dated 11 February 2014

The Management Services Circular No. 02/2014 dated 11 February 2014, referenced in the Auditor General's report, pertains to research grants and inquiries have been made based on data related to internal research projects. Therefore, these clarifications have been presented concerning internal research projects.

A total of 31 research proposal applications were received in 2023, of which 14 amounting to a total of Rs. 4,250,000.00 were awarded within the same year. Out of the remaining 17 projects, 12 were awarded in 2024, while one project was canceled. Due to delays in the inquiry process for the remaining 5 projects, approval from the Council has not yet been secured. As a result, the total funding provided in 2024 is Rs. 4,282,500.00. Accordingly, the number of active projects is 30.

The duration of research for internal research project proposals differs from one project to another and is not confined to a single year. For research projects that do not conclude within a year, funds can be utilized until the project duration ends. In some cases, due to practical reasons, the research duration may be extended, which could further increase the time during which the funds are utilized.

After the issuance of the research grant letter and the signing of agreements, funds are released as a financial advance not exceeding 25% of the total grant amount. The subsequent fund release occurs only after the initial advance has been settled, and the duration for utilizing each advance varies according to the referees' research activities. In certain cases, funds greater than 25% may be released at the request of the researchers, based on the recommendations of the Research and Publications Committee.

The amount utilized from the research grants provided in 2023 is Rs. 138,826.25, with advances being requested for only two research projects. In 2024, the utilized amount is Rs. 114,500.00, with advances requested for three research projects. Accordingly, the total utilization of the 2023 project proposals amounts to Rs. 253,326.25 as of 31.12.2023.

As stated above, during the year 2023, the advance approved and issued within that year, as well as funds from project proposals approved in prior years, have also been utilized. Accordingly, the total utilization for the year 2023 amounts to Rs. 4,193,452.76.

In addition to the above processes, the following measures have been taken to enhance the university's procedures for providing and monitoring research grants.

- Monthly review of the progress of all research grants during the Research and Publications Committee meetings.
- Increasing the threshold for referring projects to internal reviewers in order to minimize the time taken for evaluating research projects.
- (Previously, projects estimated at over Rs. 150,000.00 were referred to external reviewers, while currently, projects are referred to internal reviewers up to Rs. 300,000.00.)
- Increasing the grant amount for incentivizing internal researchers to up to Rs. 500,000.00.
- This will be released in advance installments based on the progress of the research project.
- Making the publication of the research report in conference and academic journals a condition after the completion of research projects.
- Providing an opportunity for the presentation of full report by publishing it in prestigious research journals instead of the final report.
- Establishing maximum and minimum time limits for research grants, along with providing a maximum time limit for extensions. (The maximum time limit for research grants, including extensions, is 05 years.)

2.3 Other Matters

(a) Due to instructions in the National Budget Circulars No. 03/2022 and 04/2022 to cease government construction activities, the construction work under the relevant contract has been suspended and the construction activities have not commenced as approval for capital construction has not been received to date.

(b) The construction of the four-story Hettiyawatta Pannarama hostel building, which commenced on 10 August 2020, was halted due to the disinterest of the Viyalankara Pirivena. As a result of suspending the construction activities, an additional amount of Rs. 4,029,430 had to be paid to the contractor.

In relation to the Cabinet memorandum presented by the Minister of Education in 2023 (Memo No 23/0296/607/26, Cabinet Decision 2023/03/08) concerning the above matter, the Cabinet ministers instructed the Secretary of the Ministry of Finance to provide a detailed report approved after discussions with the university.

According to the Cabinet decision dated 08.03.2023, a committee appointed by the university prepared a detailed report including the project objectives, financial background, social impact, effectiveness, and the funding provided by the university, which was submitted to the National Planning Department on 19.04.2024.

Following the analysis of the complete report by the National Planning Department and the site observation report, a recommendation was made on 30.07.2024 (Letter No/HRD/HE/PP/UOK/24) to construct a single-story building at a cost of 245 million rupees for foreign monks of the Kelaniya University using funds raised by the university.

The Cabinet proposal was sent to the Cabinet Secretary on 16.08.2024 for presentation to the Cabinet.

Accordingly,

- i. Taking into account the details of the comprehensive report, construction of a single-story building with a floor area of 560 square meters, at a cost of 245 million rupees, from the funds generated by the University for the Accommodation of foreign monks.
- ii. Making payments under the Measure & Pay system, based on the prices approved by the Standing Technical Committee established under the Ministry of Urban Development and Housing, through Central Engineering Services (Pvt) Ltd.

(c) Although 20 security posts were required at the time of the request on 30 November 2021, due to prevailing financial difficulties, requests were made for only 9 posts in the most urgent locations. Subsequently, considering the available financial provisions, 8 more security posts were requested and strategically placed according to the security plan.

Taking into account the activities of thieves entering the university, reported thefts, and student activities along with their safety, the locations of security posts and the areas where security checkpoints are placed are periodically changed.

The bid calling process is carried out by the procurement division, and based on the received prices and the recommendations of the Technical Evaluation Committee, the supplier was selected. Upon the second round of bid calling, the prices had changed according to the prevailing market rates for goods. The thickness of the galvanized sheets used for the security posts was inspected by the work engineer, and payments to the supplier were made based on his recommendations.

(d) After receiving the recommendations of the committee appointed to inspect the non-moving, slow-moving, and damaged stocks in the warehouses located in the Kelaniya premises, action will be taken to remove them from the warehouses.

(e) At present, actions have been taken to increase the benefits received by students through scholarships and awards by modifying the existing criteria, increasing the award amount for each student, and expanding the number of students receiving scholarships.

In this case, the existing criteria will be revised, implemented with the approval of the Senate and the Council. These revised criteria will take effect starting from the next academic year onwards.

The administration of scholarship and award funds is handled by the respective academic departments. The list of scholarship recipients, selected based on the respective criteria, is forwarded to the Faculty Board by the academic departments. After receiving recommendations, approval should be obtained from the Senate and the Council. Based on this approval, the academic division prepares the necessary vouchers for the awarding of scholarships. Additionally, there should be students who meet the relevant criteria for scholarships for the respective academic year.

Accordingly, the total utilization of the scholarships and awards granted to students from January 2023 to August 2024 is as shown in Annex 01.

(f) At present, the actual staff across the six faculties is 685. According to the letter dated 2022.02.22 issued by the Ministry of Education under the title "Public Expenditure Review," recruitment has been restricted. Accordingly, recruitment for the academic staff will be carried out to match the retirements and resignations from service that took place in 2022 and 2023.

When applying for study leave and sabbatical leave, the requests are submitted to the Leave and Grants Committee. The approval of leave is granted based on the recommendations of the department head and the dean of the faculty, following the criteria for ensuring the department's smooth functioning without disruption. Departments may also employ visiting lecturers to cover certain subject areas as needed.



Senior Professor Nilanthi De Silva
Vice Chancellor

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- 01. Secretary : Ministry of Education
 - 02. Secretary : Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policy
 - 03. Chairman : University Grants Commission

Payment Details for scholarship awarded in 2023.

No.	Name of the Scholarship	Date of Scholarship awarded	Scholarship-Medal/Cash	Amount Rs.
01	Prof.F.R.Jayasooriya Prize Fund	18.09.2023	Plated gold Medal Cash	9,000.00 2,000.00
02	Egnas Peduru Scholarship	20.11.2023	Cash	20,000.00
03	Prof.S.B.P.Wickramasooriya Prize Fund	04.10.2023	Cash	5,000.00
04	Linus Silva	04.10.2023	Plated gold Medal	4,500.00
05	S.Jayawardena Scholarship Fund	23.06.2023	Plated gold Medal	9,000.00
06	Prof.H.H.Costa Memorial Scholarship	18.05.2023	Cash	72,000.00
07	Prof.Sheltan Gunarathne Memorial Scholarship	21.09.2023	Cash	180,000.00
08	J.K.P.Ariyaratne Scholarship	21.08.2023	Plated gold Medal	4,500.00
09	Prof.K.M.P. Kulasekara	17.02.2023	Cash	9,468.00
10	Dilakshi Sandaken Memorial Scholarship	10.07.2023	Cash	60,000.00
				375,468.00

Payment Details for scholarship awarded from January to May 2024.

No.	Name of the Scholarship	Date of Scholarship awarded	Scholarship-Medal/Cash	Amount Rs.
01	Prof.D.J. Wijerathna Foundation Prize Fund	26.01.2024	Plated gold Medal	4,500.00
02	Medha Sri Ariyawansa Prize Fund	01.04.2024	Cash	5,000.00
03	Prof.F.R.Jayasooriya Prize Fund	26.04.2024	Plated gold Medal Cash	4,500.00 1,000.00
04	Dr. P.D. Kannangara Prize Fund	09.01.2024	Cash	20,000.00
05	Mary's Friends Scholarship Prize Fund	09.01.2024	Cash	50,000.00
06	Prof.S.B.P.Wickramasooriya Prize Fund	24.04.2024	Cash	5,000.00
07	S.Jayawardana Scholarship Fund	15.03.2024	Plated gold Medal-two	7,000.00
08	Prof.Sheltan Gunarathne Memorial Scholarship	01.04.2024	Cash	180,000.00
09	Plant & Molecular Biology Fund	01.04.2024	Cash	20,000.00
10	Prof.J.K.P.Ariyaratne Prize Fund	15.03.2024	Plated gold Medal	3,500.00
11	Prof.Piyadasa Ranasinghe Scholarship Fund	24.04.2024	Plated gold Medal	2,600.00
12	Dr.Dilukshi Sandaken Hettiarachchi Scholarship Fund	01.02.2024	Cash	120,000.00
13	Laxmi and Dharmasena Memorial Scholarship Fund	01.02.2024	Cash	100,000.00
14	Prof.Sudath Kalingamudali & his family Scholarship Fund	12.01.2024	Cash	160,000.00
15	Prof. Mangala Illangasinghe	15.03.2024	Plated gold Medal	3,500.00
16	Bank of Ceylon Scholarship	15.03.2024	Plated gold Medal	3,500.00
17	Rajamanthre Scholarship into M. P. Perera	22.03.2024	Plated gold Medal	2,700.00
18	Student Welfare Trust Fund -HRM	10.01.2024	Cash	100,000.00
			TOTAL	792,800.00

14. Audit Committee Report - 2023

Audit Committee Report - 2023

Composition of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee of the University, established as a sub-committee responsible for the Council consists of three non-executive members. The following officers were engaged in Audit Committee activities in the year 2023.

Members	Participation in the Committee in 2023 (Participation /Due to participation)
1. Mr.L.E. Susantha Silva (Chairman)	6/6
2. Ms. Mary T. Dikman	2/6
3. Emeritus Professor N.R. Arthanayake	6/6

The members of the National Audit Office were also invited to participate as observers.

Meeting

As per Public Enterprises Circular No .P.E.D./31, Committee meeting should be held at least four times a year. The Committee met six times in the year under review and the internal and external audit reports were discussed at these meetings. The Committee reports were submitted to the University Council for information and necessary actions.

Main responsibilities

The main objective of the Audit Committee is to assist the Council for the efficient functions of the financial and it's related management activities of the University.

The main responsibilities are,

1. Review and Supervision of the financial statements, financial reporting and Continuation of the Audit Process.
2. Examine any matters related to the finance of the University and other related matters.
3. Approving the annual internal Audit Plans and Programmes.

4. Supervision of the Internal Audit Plan and Programme.
5. Investigate the external and internal audit reports and take follow up action on recommendations.
6. Review, Supervision and examination the compliance of the effective performance of the system controls.
7. Review performance at regular intervals for cost effectiveness and to eliminate wasteful expenditure Etc.
8. Ascertain whether statutes, regulations, rules and circulars are complied with.

Activities within the year.

The Committee was engaged in the following activities within the year under review.

1. Approval and Supervision of the annual internal audit plans and programmes.

The Committee approved and supervised the internal audit plan and programme for the year 2023. The Committee reviewed and supervised the effectiveness and performance of the internal audits, audit queries and the performance of the Internal Audit Division.

2. Compliance with Laws and Regulations

The compliance with the relevant laws and regulations were reviewed with the reports submitted by the external and internal auditors. The Committee further followed up on the preparation and presentation of the annual accounts reports of the University and the settlement of statutory payments such as Gratuity, Pensions and the Provident Funds.

3. Continuous review and Supervision on the violation of Contracts.

The Committee continuously reviewed and supervised the recovery process from the staff members who violated bonds. As a result, it was able to recover the complete bond amount from 17 persons and approximately Rs.178 million was recovered in the year under review. There were 35 bond violators at the beginning of the year 2023. 02 persons were paying the installments in cash and legal actions had already been taken to recover the relevant amounts from 02 persons. Reminders had been sent for 16 persons who had dues, informing them to pay the installments on time.

4. Review and strengthening of the internal control system.

Necessary recommendations had been made on the control of Fixed Assets, regulating the expenditure for contractual activities, lending library books, annual board of survey of stores/survey of fixed assets, recovering the unsettled advances, settling the unrecognized and settled loan balances and strengthening the internal controls. Further Committee continuously reviewed the action taken to correct the weaknesses pointed out by the Auditor General's Report and the Audit Queries issued during the year 2023.

5. Audit Committee Meetings

The Audit Committee meetings were held at six occasions within the year ended as at 31st December 2023. All the Audit Committee members actively participated in all the Committees. A representative of the Auditor General's Department participated each Audit Committee meeting as an observer, and a Treasury representative also participated each Audit Committee meeting as an observer from 2023/02 Audit Committee. Other staff members from the University were also invited when required. The secretary to the Audit Committee is Deputy Internal Auditor.

6. Stores verification

During the year 2023, in accordance with the quarterly account inspection, the main warehouses maintained in the university premises and the warehouse located in the Ragama Medical Faculty premises were verified as at July 05th, 2023 and as at December 15th, 2023. Stores verification reports were also issued in relation to each stores verification.

7. Quarterly Financial Statements Inspection

According to the decision of the Council, the internal audit division inspected university's quarterly financial statements from the year 2022. Accordingly, the financial statements prepared for each quarter of the year 2023 were inspected and, the reports prepared in relation to those inspections were submitted to the Audit Committee and Council for recommendations. Furthermore, by the report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements and Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements of the University of Kelaniya for the year ended 31 December

2023 has given a true and fair opinion regarding the financial statements of Kelaniya University for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Conclusion

The Committee was satisfied with the success of the follow up activities based on the recommendations on the matters considered by the Committee in the year 2023.



Chairman,
Audit Committee,
University of Kelaniya