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***Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute***

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## VICE-CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE



It gives me great pleasure to issue this message on the occasion of the Long Services Awards and Vice Chancellor's Awards Ceremony – 2016 of the University of Kelaniya. Vice-Chancellor's Awards Ceremony is an annual event in the calendar of the University of Kelaniya since 2007 where the dedication and commitment of the academic and non-academic staff members are recognized and appreciated. I have personally observed that, winning an award is a great moment in the career of a staff member as it gives them pride, satisfaction and happiness as their hard work and commitment are recognized in front of the entire staff. This will further motivate the award winners as well as the other staff members to render their services in a more dedicated and committed manner in future, which will undoubtedly contribute to take our university to further heights in the academic arena.

It is indeed my belief that the staff members who exert the maximum effort which stands out from their peers, superiors and the subordinates, deserve a reward in terms of financial and non-financial terms. Nevertheless, Vice Chancellor's Awards are non-financial rewards which open the path of success for the employees. In addition to the staff members of the University of Kelaniya, I am pleased to announce that the staff of the institutes affiliated to the university are also considered for the Vice-Chancellor's Awards.

I congratulate all awards winners and sincerely hope that we would be able to witness more and more award winners in the years to come.

**Senior Professor Sunanda Madduma Bandara**  
**Vice-Chancellor**

## **LONG SERVICE AWARDS AND VICE-CHANCELLOR'S AWARDS CEREMONY – 2016: A BRIEF INTRODUCTION**

Long Service Awards and Vice-Chancellor's Awards Ceremony - 2016 is organized to appreciate the service of all the academic and non-academic staff members of the University of Kelaniya and its affiliated institutes for the year 2016. This is an annual event organized by the University of Kelaniya since 2007. Vice-Chancellor's Awards are presented annually on the 01<sup>st</sup> working day of the year to recognize the contributions made by the staff members during the previous year. Vice Chancellor's Awards Ceremony 2016 will be held on Monday, 02<sup>nd</sup> of January 2017.

This award ceremony recognizes the contribution of academic and non-academic staff members by awarding them with appreciation for specific contributions made for the university, reception of local and international awards, long service awards, appreciation for those who obtained minimum no of leave etc. Further the awards given in recognition of excellence of research work makes this a unique ceremony in the university system.

As an expansion to this ceremony in this year, the academic and nonacademic staff members of the 3 affiliated institutes namely, the Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology, Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies and Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute are also awarded in this ceremony itself whereas a separate ceremony was held for the affiliated institutes during the previous year. Further, two new awards are introduced namely, the researcher who presented the highest number of articles in the symposia held in 2016 and The Award for the Faculty which has the most number of Research papers presented in the research conferences/symposia organized by it and its Departments/Centers/Units on 2016.



# **1. LETTERS OF APPRECIATIONS**

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## **1.1 Service Appreciation for Special Contributions**

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## 1.2 Service Appreciation for Employees who have taken leaves less than 14 days in the Year 2016

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**Mrs. D. C. Fernando**

Deputy Bursar

Supplies Division

Total leaves – 14



**Mr. K. A. P. Gunarathna**

Works Engineer

Works Division

Total Leaves – 09



**Mr. B. A. N. Krishantha**

Senior Assistant Registrar

Academic Establishment

Total Leaves – 13



**Ms. J. T. M. Jayasingha**

Assistant Registrar

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 11



**Mr. K. B. S. L. Wijerathna**

Senior Assistant Registrar

General Administration Division

Total Leaves – 10.5



**Ms. W. N. P. N. N. Karunarathna**

Assistant Registrar

Faculty of Social Sciences

Total Leaves – 13.5



**Mr. A. H. Dilip**

Programmer cum System Analyst ( Grade I )

Information and Communication Centre

Total Leaves – 7.5



**Mr. U. R. N. A. Udagama**

Computer Programmer

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Total Leaves – 12



**Mr. W. A. W. Silva**

Driver ( Special Grade )

Transport Division

Total Leaves – 02



**Ms. G. R. D. D. Bandara**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Landscape Division

Total Leaves – 03



**Mr. H. A. D. S. M. S. Thirimanna**

Telephone Operator cum Receptionist

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 03.5



**Mr. M. D. Liyanage**

Computer Applications Assistant ( Grade II )

Miscellaneous Accounts Division

Total Leaves – 04



**Mr. L. D. P. N. Kithsiri**

Security Inspector ( Grade II )

Security Section

Total Leaves – 04



**Mr. K. A. G. Kithsiri**

Lorry Cleaner

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 04



**Mr. S. R. M. U. Bandara**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Total Leaves – 05



**Mr. E. G. R. Chaminda**

Driver ( Grade II )

Total Leaves – Transport Division

Total Leaves – 05.5



**Ms. R. D. U. D. Peiris**

Staff Assistant ( Typist )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 07.5



**Mr. R. M. Amarasiri**

Driver ( Grade II )

Transport Division

Total Leaves – 07



**Ms. P. Uditha Kalyani**

Typist ( Grade I )

Faculty of Humanities

Total Leaves – 07.5





**Mr. K. M. S. D. Perera**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Department of Mathematics

Total Leaves – 07.5



**Mr. J. A. D. S. Alwis**

Audio Visual Technical Officer ( Grade II )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 09



**Mr. T. K. R. Jayalath**

Store Keeper ( Grade II )

Supplies Division

Total Leaves – 08



**Ms. M. C. U. Silva**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Student Welfare Division

Total Leaves – 08.5



**Mr. M. G. C. T. C. Herath**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Examination Division

Total Leaves – 08.5



**Mr. Upul Kumara Dewapura**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Faculty of Commerce Management

Total Leaves – 08.5



**Mr. M. D. Dabarera**

Technical Officer ( Grade II )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 09.5



**Mr. H. A. R. Senarathna**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Department of Chemistry

Total Leaves – 09.5



**Ms. R. G. M. H. Sriyananda**

Clerk ( Grade III )

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Total Leaves – 10



**Mr. H. D. N. Pushpakumara**

Health Service Labourer ( Lower Grade )

Medical Centre

Total Leaves – 10



**Ms. U. M. R. Chathurangani**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Department of Chemistry

Total Leaves – 10



**Ms. H. M. N. K. Herath**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 11



**Mr. H. Siripala**

Health Service Labourer (Special Grade )

Medical Centre

Total Leaves – 11



**Mr. P. D. A. Senevirathna**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 10



**Ms. G. P. Gunawardena**

Staff Technical Officer ( Grade I )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12



**Mr. J. P. Piyasena**

Carpenter ( Special Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Ms. A. M. M. P. Aththanayaka**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Registrar's Office

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Mr. E. M. D. Muditha Kumara**

Clerk ( Grade III )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 10.5



**Mr. D. H. N. Anthony**

Driver ( Grade II)

Transport Division

Total Leaves – 11



**Ms. L. D. Weerakkody**

Staff Assistant ( Clerical Services )

Centre for Distance and Continuing Education

Total Leaves – 11



**Ms. Y. P. Liyanarachchi**

Computer Applications Assistant ( Grade III)

Registrar's Office

Total Leaves – 12



**Ms. S. A. D. T. M. Dissanayaka**

Clerk ( Grade III)

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 11



**Mr. W. S. Alwis**

Health Service Labourer ( Special Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 11



**Mr. U. W. J. S. B. Wijesiri**

Driver ( Grade II )

Transport Division

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Ms. L. M. D. T. Thilakasiri**

Health Service Labourer ( Lower Grade )

Landscape Division

Total Leaves – 13.5



**Mr. N. G. K. M. Samarasinghe**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Library

Total Leaves – 12



**Ms. T. M. R. N. U. Tennakoon**

Staff Assistant ( Clerical Services )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. S. Chandrasena**

Office Machine Operator ( Grade I )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12.5





**Mr. R. M. N. D. Rathnayaka**

Clerk ( Grade III )

Salaries Loans Division

Total Leaves – 13



**Mr. K. P. G. D. A. R. Rajakuruna**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Department of Economics

Total Leaves – 12



**Mr. K. Ariyadasa**

Laboratory Attendant (Special Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12



**Mr. W. R. V. A. C. R. Rajapaksha**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Landscape Division

Total Leaves – 12





**Mr. R. Rajkumar**

Health Service Labourer (Special Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Mr. W. M. H. G. Wickramanayaka**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Department of Physics

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Ms. R. N. P. Kumari**

Senior Staff Assistant ( Clerical Services )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 12.5



**Mr. S. G. S. S. Karunarathna**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Department of Physics

Total Leaves – 13



**Ms. S. H. K. Mallika**

Laboratory Attendant ( Supra Grade )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 13



**Mr. W. R. W. M. T. Nugegoda**

Security Guard ( Lower Grade )

Security Division

Total Leaves – 13



**Mr. J. R. J. G. Chandrathilake**

Clerk ( Grade III )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 13



**Mr. R. M. P. Kumarasinghe**

Three Wheel Driver ( Grade II )

Transport Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. A. M. H. B. Abeysekara**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Landscape Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. U. G. N. S. Kumara**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Examination Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. W. A. K. Wijesingha**

Book Binder ( Special Grade )

Payments Division

Total Leaves – 13.5



**Mr. B. G. S. R. Wijesinghe**

Computer Applications Assistant ( Grade III )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 13.5



**Mr. M. I. M. A. Khan**

Labourer ( Grade III )

Faculty of Medicine

Total Leaves – 13.5



**Mr. W. M. H. Rajitha**

Clerk ( Grade III )

Non Academic Establishments Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Ms. M. G. R. Malkanthi**

Senior Staff Assistant ( Stenography )

Faculty of Social Sciences

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. R. P. P. J. Amarasingha**

Clerk ( Grade III)

Accounts Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. M. C. A. Dharmasiri**

Audit Assistant ( Grade II )

Internal Audit Division

Total Leaves – 12



**Ms. R. S. Weerathunga**

Trainee Technical Officer

Department of Industrial Management

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. K. M. T. S. Kulathunga**

Health Service Labourer ( Lower Grade )

Landscape Division

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. A. C. Perera**

Labourer ( Grade I )

Department of Botany

Total Leaves – 14



**Ms. J. A. N. Kaushalya**

Laboratory Attendant ( Lower Grade )

Department of Microbiology

Total Leaves – 14



**Mr. B. G. Chandrarathna**

Security Guard ( Lower Grade )

Security Division

Total Leaves – 14

## POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF PALI AND BUDDHIST STUDIES



**Ms. B. D. R. T. K. Bodikotuwa**

Computer Application Assistant ( Grade III )

Examination and Students Affairs Division

Total Leaves – 10

## GAMPAHA WICKRAMARACHCHI AYURVEDA INSTITUTE



**Mr. D. S. R. Wijewardane**

Assistant Registrar

Total Leave – 09.5



**Mr. L. J. Williyams**

Driver (Grade II)

Total Leave – 10



**Mr. C. I. D. Perera**

Labourer (Grade I)

Total Leave – 09





**Mr. J. M. Dayapala**

Library Attendant (Grade II)

Total Leave – 01



**Mr. M. S. Sithara**

Postmortem Labourer (Lower Grade)

Total Leave – 08.5



**Mr. M. K. N. Devinda**

Driver (Special Grade)

Total Leave – 12.5



**Mr. W. W. A. R. Y. Wickramasinghe**

Shroff (Grade I)

Total Leave – 08





**Ms. G. I. D. de Silva**

Clerk (Grade I)

Total Leave – 11.5



**Ms. R. W. A. M. I. S. K. Molagoda**

Computer Application Assistant (Grade III)

Total Leave – 12.5



**Ms. W. Amarasinghe**

Senior Staff Assistant

Total Leave – 10.5

## 2. LONG SERVICE AWARDS

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### 2.1 Award of a Bronze Medal and Certificate for 25 Years of Continuous and Meritorious Service

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**Ven. (Prof.) Okkampitiye Pannasara Thero**

Department of Sinhala

Faculty of Humanities

Ven. Okkampitiye Pannasara Thero joined University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 02.12.1996 and on 02.12.2002 he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. Ven. Okkampitiye Pannasara Thero was promoted to Associate Professor on 27. 09.2007 and currently serves as Senior Professor w.e.f 27.09.2015 in the department of Sinhala.



**Ven. Prof. Nabirittankadawara Gnanaratana Thero**

Department of Pali & Buddhist Studies

Faculty of Humanities

Ven. Nabirittankadawara Gnanaratana Thero joined University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.09.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 14.03.1999 and on 14.03.2005 he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. Ven. Nabirittankadawara Gnanaratana Thero currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 24.08.2009 in the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies.



**Prof. N. R. De Silva**

Dean of the Faculty of Medicine

Prof. N. R. De Silva joined the University of Peradeniya as Lecturer (Probationary) on 10.06 1991 and Department of Parasitology of the University of Kelaniya 03.08.1993. She was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 10.06.1996 and on 25.07.2000 she was promoted to Associate Professor. She became Chair Professor of Parasitology on 01.11.2003 and was promoted to Senior Professor on 01.11. 2011. Professor N. R De Silva currently serves as the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine.



**Prof. D. M. Semasinghe**

Dean of the Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies

Prof. D. M. Semasinghe joined the Department of Commerce & Financial Management of the University of Kelaniya 04.01.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.10.1998 and on 01.10.2004 he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. He became Professor of Entrepreneurship on 11.01.2016. He currently serves as the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies.



**Vidyajyothi Prof. H.J. de Silva**

Department of Medicine

Faculty of Medicine

Prof. H.J. De Silva joined the University of Peradeniya as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.04. 1991 and Joined Department of Medicine of the University of Kelaniya on 03.08.1993 as Senior Lecturer Gr II. He was promoted to Associate Professor on 18.04.1994 and became Chair Professor of Medicine on 17.06.1996. Professor H.J

De Silva currently serves as Senior Professor w.e.f 17.06.2004 at the Department of Medicine.



**Prof. (Mrs.) J.A. Liyanage**

Department of Chemistry

Faculty of Science

Prof. (Ms. J. A. Liyanage) joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 16.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 16.12.1996 and on 16.12.2002 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. She became Professor on 26.12.2007 and currently serves as Senior Professor w.e.f 26.12.2015 at the Department of Chemistry.



**Prof. M. A. N. Karunaratne**

Department of Sinhala

Faculty of Humanities

Prof. M.A.N. Karunaratna joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 02.12.1996 and on 02.12.2002 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. M.A.N. Karunaratna became Professor on 26.11.2009 and currently serves as Head of the Department of Sinhala.



**Prof. (Mrs.) L. S. S. Salgado**

Department of Anatomy

Faculty of Medicine

Prof. (Mrs.) L. S. S. Salgado joined the Department of Anatomy as a Lecturer on 30.08.1991. She was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 22.04.1999 and on 22.04.2004 she was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. She became Professor on

08.07.2009 and on 18.02.2013 she was promoted to Chair Professor. He currently serves as Chair Professor in the Department of Anatomy in the University of Kelaniya.



**Prof. K. Karunathilake**

Department of Sociology

Faculty of Social Science

Prof. K. Karunathilaka joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 17.06.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 25.08.1997 and on 25.08.2003 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. K. Karunathilaka currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 14.08.2009 at the Department of Sociology.



**Prof. H. A. G. Kumara**

Department of Philosophy

Faculty of Social Sciences

Prof. H.A.G Kumara joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.01.1999. and on 01.01.2005 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. H.A.G. Kumara currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 27.11.2009 at the Department of Philosophy.



**Prof. S. J. Yogaraja**

Department of Linguistics

Faculty of Humanities

Prof. S.J. Yogaraja joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.12.1999 and on 01.12.2005 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. H.J. Yogaraja currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 26.11.2009 at the Department of Linguistics.





**Prof. (Mrs.) T. M. D. Subhashini**

Department of Sociology

Faculty of Social Sciences

Prof. T.M.D. Subhashini joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 28.11.1997 and on 28.11.2003 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. T.M.D. Subhashini currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 26.11.2009 at the Department of Linguistics.



**Prof. H. M. Nawarathna Banda**

Department Economics

Faculty of Social Science

Prof. H.M. Nawarathna Banda joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 17.06.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 18.03. 1998 and on 18.03.2004 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. H. M. Nawarathna Banda currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 12.11.2009 at the Department of Economics.



**Dr. S. Selliah**

Department of Physiology

Faculty of Medicine

Dr. S. Selliah joined the university as Lecturer on 30.08.1991 and he was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.11.1996 and he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I on 01.11.2001. Currently serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I in the department of Physiology.



**Prof. (Mrs.) S. Chackrewarthy**

Department of Biochemistry & Clinical Chemistry

Faculty of Medicine

Dr. (Ms). S. Chackrewarthy joined the university as Lecturer on 30.08.1991 and she was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 30.08.1996. On 30.08.2002 she was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. Currently serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I in the department of Bio. & Cli.Che.



**Dr. D. M. A. Dissanayaka**

Department Economics

Faculty of Social Science

Dr. D.M.A Dissanayake joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 03.12. 1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 10.03.1997 and on 10.03.2003 as Senior Lecturer Grade I.



**Dr. (Mrs.) H.R. Anulawathe Menike**

Department Economics

Faculty of Social Science

Dr. (Ms.) H.R. Anulawathie Menike joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 02.12. 1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 27.07.1998 and on 27.07.2004 as Senior Lecturer Grade I.



**Mr. M. M. Gunawardane**

Department of Microbiology

Faculty of Science

Mr. M.M. Gunawardhana joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 05.02.1991. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 05.08.1998 and currently serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I w.e.f. 05.08.2004.



**Ms. K. P. R. Priyadarshani**

Ms. K. P. R. Priyadarshani joined the University as Trainee Technical Officer 01.11.1991 and became Technical Officer on 01.11.1994. She was promoted to Technical Officer Grade. II 01.01.1998 and on 11.01.2001 to Technical Officer Gr. I. She became Staff Technical Officer Grade I. 01.11.2010 and currently serves as Senior Staff Technical Officer w.e.f. 13.06.2011 at the Department of Microbiology.



**Mrs. M. I. Hareerah**

Mrs. M. I. Hareerah joined the University of Kelaniya as a clerk Grade III on 04.03.1994. On 04.03.1997 she promoted to clerk Grade II and 04.03.2002 she was promoted to clerk Grade I on 04.03.2007. She promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) and on 04.03.2012. She promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Currently she is attached to the Research and Publication Division.





**Mrs. H. P. W. Chandrani**

Mrs. H. P. W. Chandrani joined the University of Uva Affiliated University College at Peradeniya as a clerk Grade III on 22.11.1991. She transferred Uva Affiliated University College on 17.11.1997 to University of Kelaniya on 22.11.2000. She promoted as a clerk Grade II and on 22.11.2003. She promoted as a clerk Grade I on 22.11.2008. She promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) and 22.11.2013. She promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Now she is attached to Academic Establishment Branch.



**Mr. K. B. S. K. Weerawardana**

Mr. K.B.S.K. Weerawardana joined the University of Peradeniya as a labourer on 18.11.1991. Then he joined the University of Ruhuna as a Book keeper Grade II seg “B” on 01.10.1992. After he joined the University of Kelaniya as a Book keeper Grade II seg “B” on 16.06.1997. He was promoted as a Book keeper Grade II seg “A” on 01.01.1999 and on 01.10.2002 he was promoted as a Book keeper Grade I on 01.10.2007. He was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Book keeping) and in 01.10.2012. He was promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Book keeping). Currently he is a Senior Staff Assistant in Account Division.



**Mr. M. G. N. Chandrasiri**

Mr. M. G. N. Chandrasiri joined the University of Kelaniya as a labourer Grade III on 02.09.1991. On 01.01.1996 he appointed as a clerk Grade III in University of Ruhuna. He was promoted to as a clerk Grade II on 01.01.2006 and on 01.01.2009 he promoted as a clerk Grade I on 01.01.2014. He was promoted as a Staff Assistant and Currently he is attached to Center for Distance and Continuing Education.



**Ms. H. K. Wickramathanthri**

Mr. H. K. Wickramathanthri joined the University of Colombo as a Clerk (Grade III) on 11.11.1991. She was then promoted as a Technical officer (Grade I) on 02.03.1999 and on 02.03.2014 as a Staff Technical officer (Grade II) Currently She is a Staff Technical officer (Grade II) attached to the Medical Center in University of Kelaniya.



**Mr. D. W. A. Samaraweera**

Mr. D. W. A. Samaraweera joined the University of Kelaniya on 02.09.1991 He was promoted as a Technical officer on 01.10.2003 on 01.10.2013 he was promoted as a Technical officer (Grade I) Currently he is a Technical officer (Grade I) attached to the Faculty of Humanities.



**Mr. W. A. W. Silva**

Mr. W. A. W. Silva joined the University of Kelaniya as a Driver (Grade II) on 15.02.1991. He was then promoted as a Driver (Grade I) on 01.01.2001 and on 15.02.2006 he was then promoted driver special Grade currently he is a Driver special Grade in the Transport division.



**Mr. R. M. Somarathne**

Mr. R. M. Somarathne joined the Open University as a Driver (Grade II) on 10.10.1991. Then he joined the University of Kelaniya as a Driver Grade II on 10.10.1995 on 01.01.2001 he was promoted as a Driver (Grade I) and then he was promoted to the Driver special Grade on 10.10.2006. Currently he is a Driver special Grade in the Transport division.



**Mr. K. A. M. L. Gunathilaka**

Mr. K. A. M. L. Gunathilaka joined to the University of Kelaniya as a Labourer (Grade III) on 02.05.1989. He was promoted as a Labourer (Grade II) on 01.01.2001 and on 01.01.2007 he was promoted as a Labourer (Grade I) on 01.01.2014 he was promoted as a Labourer (Special Grade). Currently he is a Labourer Special Grade in Department of Linguistics, Faculty of Humanities.



**Mr. T. A. Chandrasiri**

Mr. T. A. Chandrasiri joined to the University of Colombo as a Labourer (Grade III) on 02.01.1989. He was promoted as a Labourer (Grade II) on 01.01.2014 and transferred to University of Kelaniya on 15.10.2007. On 01.01.2011 he was promoted as a Labourer (Grade I). Currently he is a Labourer (Grade I) in Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya.



**Ms. M. L. A. Priyangika Kanthi**

Ms. M. L. A. Priyangika Kanthi joined to the Open University of Sri Lanka as a Clerk (Grade III) on 07.10.1991. Then she was transferred to University of Ruhuna on 08.1994. On 22.04.2013 she was transferred to Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies and currently she is a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerk) in Account Division.

## 2.2 Award of a Silver Plated Medal for 30 Years of Continuous and Meritorious Service

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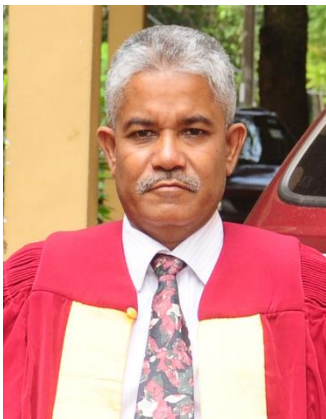


**Prof. A. K. Manatunga**

Department of Archeology

Faculty of Social Science

Prof. A.K. Manathunga joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 01.08.1986. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.01.1993 and on 01.01.1999 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. He became Professor on 21.08.2006. Prof. A. K. Manatunga currently serves as Senior Professor w.e.f. 21.08.2014 at the Department of Archeology.



**Prof. W. K. M. M. K. Weerasinghe**

Department of Library Information Sciences

Faculty of Social Sciences

Prof. W.K.M.M.K Weerasinghe joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 01.07.1986. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 15.07.1993 and on 15.07.1999 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. Prof. W.K.M.M.K. Weerasinghe serves as Professor w.e.f. 27.11.2009 at the Department of Library and Information Science.





**Prof. H. H. Sumathipala**

Department of Physics

Faculty of Science

Prof. H. H. Sumathipala joined the university as a Lecturer on 01.09.1986. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 27.11.1996 and on 27.11.2002 he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. He became Professor on 15.03.2012. He currently serves as Professor in the Department of Physics in the University of Kelaniya.



**Pro. (Mrs.) N. Deshapriya**

Department of Botany

Faculty of Science

Pro. (Mrs.) N. Deshapriya joined the university as a Lecturer on 01.09.1986. She was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.02.1993 and on 01.02.1999 She was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. She became Professor on 27.08.2009. He currently serves as Professor in the Department of Botany in the University of Kelaniya.



**Prof. (Mrs.) R. K. S. Dias**

Department of Zoology

Faculty of Science

Prof. (Ms.) R.K.S. Dias joined the university as a Lecturer on 01.07.1986. She was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 13.02.1995 and on 13.02.2001. She was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I. She became Associate Professor on 11.02.2008. She currently serves as Professor w.e.f. 18.09.2014 in the Department of Zoology & Environmental Management in the University of Kelaniya.



**Prof. P.L. Jayawardena**

Department of Public Health

Faculty of Medicine

Prof. P.L. Jayawardena joined the University of Peradeniya as Lecturer on 27.06. 1986 and joined the University of Kelaniya on 01.01.1998. She was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade I on 01.01.2003 and she was then promoted as Professor on 18.06.2009. Prof. P.L. Jayawardena currently serves as Professor in the Department of Public Health.



**Dr. (Mrs.) M. C. Wijegunasekara**

Department of Software Engineering

Faculty Computing and Technology

Dr. (Ms.) M.C. Wijegunasekera joined the University of Kelaniya on 01.07.1986 and She was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 28.08.1993 and currently serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I w.e.f. 28.08.1999 at the Department of Software Engineering.



**Dr. (Mrs.) U. K. Abeywana**

Department of Physics

Faculty of Science

Dr. (Ms.) U.K. Abeywana joined the University of Kelaniya on 01.09.1986 and She was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.02. 1999 and currently serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I w.e.f. 01.02.2005 at the Department of Physics.



**Ms. R. C. Vithanarachchi**

Mrs. R. C. Vithanarachchi joined the University of Colombo as a clerk Grade II on 22.01.1986. She transferred to University of Kelaniya from University of Colombo with effect from 01.07.1991. She was then promoted as a clerk Grade II on 1997 and on 01.01.2000 promoted as a clerk Grade I, on 01.01.2005 she promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) on 01.01.2010 she was promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Now she is attached to Department of Sinhala.



**Mrs. H. H. N. Gunawardena**

Mrs. H. H. N. Gunawardana joined the University of Kelaniya as a clerk Grade III on 19.05.1986. Then promoted as a clerk Grade II on 01.01.1997. She promoted as a clerk Grade I on 01.01.2000, on 01.01.2005 she was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) on 01.01.2010. Then she is promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Currently she is attached to Non Academic Establishment Branch.



**Mrs. H. G. D. Priyadarshani**

Mrs. H. G. D. Priyadarshani joined the University of Kelaniya as a clerk Grade III on 03.11.1986, promoted as a clerk Grade II on 03.11.1986 and on 01.01.1997 she was promoted as a clerk Grade II. Then she was promoted as a clerk Grade I on 01.01.2001, on 01.01.2006 she was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) and on 01.01.2011 promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Currently she is attached to the Faculty of Science.





**Ms. O. R. W. Wijesinghe**

Ms. O. R. W. Wijesinghe joined the University of Colombo as a clerk Grade III on 25.05.1987. Then she joined the University of Kelaniya as a Stenographer Grade I. She was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Stenography) on 01.01.2001 and on 01.01.2006 she was promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Stenography). Currently she is attached to the Medical Center.



**Mr. M. A. N. Chandrasiri**

Mr. M. A. Nimal Chandrasiri joined the University of Kelaniya as a labourer on 03.02.1986. He was promoted as a Store keeper Grade III on 01.10.1992, on 01.10.2003 he was promoted as a Store keeper Grade II, on 01.10.2006 he was promoted as a Store keeper Grade I and on 01.10.2011 he was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Store keeping). Currently he is a Staff Assistant (Store keeping) in Supplies Division.



**Mr. A. S. Hewarathna**

Mr. A. S. Hewarathne joined the University of Kelaniya as a Technical officer on 02.05.1986. He was then promoted as a Technical officer (Grade I) on 01.01.1997 and on 01.01.2001 as a Staff Technical officer (Grade II) on 01.01.2006 he was promoted as a Staff Technical officer (Grade I). Currently he is a Staff Technical officer (Grade I) attached to the Department of Fine Arts.



**Mr. B. N. W. M. P. K. Boragolla**

Mr. B. N. W. M. P. K. Boragolla joined the University of Kelaniya as a Technical officer on 01.10.1986. He was then promoted as a Technical officer (Grade I) on 01.01.1997 and on 01.01.2001 as a Staff Technical officer (Grade II) on 01.01.2006 he was promoted as a Staff Technical officer (Grade I) Currently he is a Staff Technical officer (Grade I) attached to the Department of Linguistics.



**Mr. G. K. G. Rathnayaka**

Mr. G. K. G. Rathnayake joined the University of Kelaniya as a labourer on 03.02.1986. He was promoted as a Supervisor (Maintenance) Grade III on 15.08.2007 and on 15.08.2012 he was promoted as a Supervisor (Maintenance) Grade II. Currently he is a Supervisor (Maintenance) Grade II in Student Welfare.



**Mr. A. D. Chandrarathne**

Mr. A. D. Chandrarathne joined the Open University as a Driver (Grade II) on 01.03.1987. He joined the University of Kelaniya as a Driver (Grade II) on 02.09.1991 on 01.01.1997 he was promoted as a Driver (Grade I) and then he was promoted to the Driver special Grade on 01.03.2002 Currently he is a Driver special Grade in the Transport division.



**Mr. H. A. Sumanasiri**

Mr. H. A. Sumanasiri joined to the University of Kelaniya as a Labourer (Grade III) on 03.02.1986. He was then promoted as a Labourer (Grade II) on 01.01.1995 and on 01.01.1999 he was promoted as a Labourer (Grade I) on 01.01.2006 he was promoted as a Labourer on 01.01.2011 he was promoted as a Karyala Karya sahayaka. Currently he is a Karyala Karya sahayaka in Department of History, Faculty of Social Sciences.



**Mr. M. R. G. Ranasinghe**

Mr. M. R. G. Ranasinghe joined to the University of Kelaniya as a Labourer (Grade III) on 01.02.1984. He was then promoted as a Labourer (Grade II) on 01.01.1996 and on 01.01.2001 he was promoted as a Labourer (Grade I) on 01.01.2008 he was promoted as a Labourer (Special Grade) and on 01.01.2013 he was promoted as a Karyala Karya sahayaka. Currently he is a Karyala Karya sahayaka in Department of Maintenance.

## 2.3 Award of a Gold Plated For 35 Years Continuous and Meritorious Service

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**Prof. G.D. Sumanapala**

Department Pali & Buddhist Studies

Faculty of Humanities

Prof. G.D. Sumanapala joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 12.01.1981. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.02.1986 and on 01.02.1992 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. He became Associate Professor on 23.09.1994 and of. G.D. Sumanapala w.e.f. 27.11.2009 at the Department of Library and Information Science.



**Prof. A. A. D. Amarasekara**

Department of Archeology

Faculty of Social Sciences

Prof. A.A.D. Amarasekera joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 01.01.1981. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.04.1988 and on 01.04.1994 as Senior Lecturer Grade I. He became Professor on 27. 01.2005 and serves as Senior Professor w.e.f. 27.01.2011 at the Department of Archeology.



**Mr. D. Wasantha Kumara**

Department of Marketing Management

Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies

Mr. D. Wasantha Kumara joined the University as Lecturer (Probationary) on 23.11.1981. He was then promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.02.1992. Mr. Wasantha Kumara serves as Senior Lecturer Grade I w.e.f 02.01.1998.



**Mrs. T.P.S.K. Perera**

Mrs. T. P. S. K. Perera joined the University of Kelaniya as a clerk Grade III on 09.02.1981. She was then promoted as a clerk Grade II 01.01.1991 and on 01.01.1995 she was promoted as a clerk Grade I, on 01.01.2000 she was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) and 01.01.2005 she was promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Currently she is attached to the Department of Geography.



**Mrs. D.W.J. Patricia**

Mrs. D. W. J. Patricia joined the University of Kelaniya as a clerk Grade III on 23.03.1982. She was then promoted as a clerk Grade II 01.01.1991 and on 01.01.1996 she was promoted as a clerk Grade I, on 01.01.2000 she was promoted as a Staff Assistant (Clerical Service) and 01.01.2005 she was promoted as a Senior Staff Assistant (Clerical Service). Currently she is attached to the Faculty of Social Sciences.



**Mr. N. L. Chandrathilaka**

Mr. N. L. Chandrathilaka joined to the University of Moratuwa as a Labourer (Grade III) on 11.05.1981. He was then promoted as a Laboratory attendant (Lower Grade) on 01.12.1982 and on 09.02.1994 he was promoted as a Laboratory attendant (Higher Grade) on 01.01.2000 he was promoted as a Laboratory attendant (Super Grade) on 01.01.2007 he was promoted as a Laboratory attendant (Special Grade) and currently he is attached to the Department of Chemistry.

## 2.4 Award of a Wall Plaque for 40 Years of Continuous and Meritorious Service

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### **Prof. M. J. S. Wijeyaratne**

Department of Zoology & Environmental Management  
Faculty of Science

Prof. M.J.S Wijeyaratne joined the University of Kelaniya on 01.09.1976 and he was promoted to Senior Lecturer Grade II on 01.09.1981. He became Associate Professor 26.04.1989 and was promoted to Chair Professor of Zoology on 26.04.1994. He became Senior Professor on 26.04.1999. He has served as Dean of the Faculty of Science and as the Vice Chancellor of the University of Kelaniya. He currently serves as the Director of the Research Council w.e.f. 2014. 04. 21.



### **3.1 Vice-Chancellor's Award for Bringing Honour to the University by Winning Prestigious National or International Awards in 2016**

## Faculty of Humanities

A portrait photograph of Dr. S. Jeyapriya, a woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a pink sari and a gold necklace. She is looking directly at the camera against a blue background.

A portrait of Dr. Anand Kulkarni, a middle-aged man with dark hair and a mustache, wearing a maroon button-down shirt. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred green foliage.

2015 වර්ෂය තුළ දී ප්‍රකාශයට පත් කෙරුණු ග්‍රන්ථ අතරින් 2016 රාජ්‍ය සාහිත්‍ය සම්මාන සඳහා ඇගයීමේදී පද්‍ය සංග්‍රහ අංශයෙහි ග්‍රන්ථ යටතේ රචනා කළ “උමංදානන්දය ” නමැති කෘතියට 2016 රාජ්‍ය සාහිත්‍ය සම්මානය ප්‍රදානය කරන ලදී.



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හින්දි අධ්‍යයන අංශය

2015 වර්ෂය තුළ දී ප්‍රකාශයට පත් කෙරුණු ග්‍රන්ථ අතරින් 2016 රාජ්‍ය සාහිත්‍ය සම්මාන සඳහා ඇගයීමේදී පරිවර්තන නවකතා අංශයෙහි ග්‍රන්ථ යටතේ පරිවර්තනය කළ “ඉස්කෝලේ මහත්තයා” නමැති කෘතියට 2016 රාජ්‍ය සාහිත්‍ය සම්මානය සඳහා නිර්දේශ කරන ලදී.



**මහාචාර්ය කමණි ජයසේකර මහත්මිය**

බටහිර සම්භාව්‍ය සංස්කෘති හා ක්‍රිස්තියානි සංස්කෘති අධ්‍යයන අංශය

2014 වර්ෂය තුළ දී ප්‍රකාශයට පත් කෙරුණු ග්‍රන්ථ අතරින් 2015 ගොඩගේ ජාතික සාහිත්‍ය සම්මාන සඳහා ඇගයීමේදී පද්‍ය සංග්‍රහ අංශයෙහි ග්‍රන්ථ යටතේ රචනා කළ “Peacock Blues” නමැති කෘතියට 2015 ලක්දෘස වික්‍රමසිංහ අනුස්මරණ ගොඩගේ ජාතික සාහිත්‍ය සම්මානය ප්‍රදානය කරන ලදී.



## **Faculty of Medicine**

**Nine members of the Faculty of Medicine were awarded with Presidential Awards for Scientific Publications in November 2016 for the publications in 2014.**



**Prof. N. M. Devanarayana**

Professor

Department of Physiology



**Dr. T. Dias**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology



**Dr. M. A. Niriella**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Medicine



**Dr. H. K. K. Perera**

Senior Lecturer (Grade I)

Department of Medical Microbiology



**Mr. A. G. Premarathna**

Technical Officer (Trainee)

Department of Medical Microbiology



**Vidyajyothi Prof. H. J. de Silva**

Senior Professor

Department of Medicine



**Prof. N. R. De Silva**

Senior Professor

Department of Parasitology



**Prof. A. R. Wickremasinghe**

Professor

Department of Public Health



**Ms. A. D. Wijegunawardana**

Scientific Assistant

Molecular Medicine Unit

**Eleven members have won prizes and awards at the 129<sup>th</sup> Anniversary international medical congress of the Sri Lanka Medical Association.**

**S E Senevirathna Prize**



**Dr. M. A. Niriella**  
Senior Lecturer (Grade II)  
Department of Medicine



**Dr. A. Kasthurirathna**  
Senior Lecturer (Grade II)  
Department of Public Health



**Dr. S. T. de Silva**  
Senior Lecturer (Grade II)  
Department of Medicine



**Dr. A. S. Dassanayaka**  
Senior Lecturer (Grade II)  
Department of Pharmacology



**Prof. A. P. de Silva**  
Professor  
Department of Medicine

**Sir Nicholas Attygalle Prize**



**Dr. K. M. N. Perera**  
Lecturer (Probationary)  
Department of Public Health

### **Wilson Peiris Prize**



**Dr. D. S. Ediriweera**

Lecturer

ICT Centre



**Dr. A. Kasthurirathna**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Public Health



**Prof. A. Pathmeshwaran**

Senior Professor

Department of Public Health



**Prof. N. K. Gunawardhana**

Professor

Department of Parasitology



**Dr. S. F. Jayamanne**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Medicine



**Vidyajyothi Prof. H. J. de Silva**

Senior Professor

Department of Medicine



**Prof. H. J. de S. Hewavisenthi**

Medical Education Unit.

She was declared the First Sri Lankan Pathologist to deliver the South Asian Academy of Cytopathology & Histopathology (SACH) Oration held in 2016 at Dharan, Nepal.

**Prize for the Best Oral free paper at the United European Gastroenterology week 2016 held in Vienna, Austria was won by 8 academic members of the Faculty of Medicine.**



**Dr. M. A. Niriella**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Medicine



**Dr. S. T. de Silva**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Medicine





**Dr. A. Kasthurirathna**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Public Health



**Dr. A. S. Dassanayaka**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Pharmacology



**Prof. A. P. de Silva**

Professor

Department of Medicine



**Prof. A. Pathmeshwaran**

Senior Professor

Department of Public Health



**Prof. A. R. Wickremasinghe**

Professor

Department of Public Health



**Vidyajyothi Prof. H. J. de Silva**

Senior Professor

Department of Medicine

**J. B Pieris Award for the best presentation in Neurology at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Academic Sessions of Ceylon College of Physicians, 2016 was won by 2 staff members of the Faculty of Medicine.**



**Dr. U. K. Ranawaka**  
Senior Lecturer (Grade II)  
Department of Medicine



**Prof. A. Pathmeshwaran**  
Senior Professor  
Department of Public Health

**Award for the best poster presentation at the Annual Academic Sessions of the Sri Lanka College of Surgeons was won by 3 staff members of the Faculty of Medicine.**



**Dr. P. C. Chandrasinghe**

Lecturer

Department of Surgery



**Dr. D. S. Ediriweera**

Lecturer

ICT Centre



**Dr. S. K. Kumarage**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Surgery

**Award for the best oral presentation and the Bartholomeus prize for the best presentation at the Annual Sessions of the Sri Lanka College of Surgeons was won by 3 staff members of the Faculty of Medicine.**



**Dr. M. B. Gunethilleke**

Senior Lecturer

Department of Surgery



**Dr. S. K. Kumarage**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Surgery



**Dr. R. C. Siriwardana**

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Surgery



**Dr. M.S. B. Thilakarathne**

Lecturer

Department of Surgery

## **Faculty of Science**

**Two members of the Faculty of Science were awarded with Presidential Awards for Scientific Publications in November 2016 for the publications in 2014.**



**Vidyanidhi Prof. W. P. Siripala**

Senior Professor

Department of Physics



**Dr. K.M.D.C. Jayathilaka**

Lecturer

Department of Physics

### **3.2 Vice-Chancellor's Award for the Faculty which Conducted Most Number of Research Conferences/Symposia**

Large number of Research Conferences/Symposia were conducted by the Faculties of the University of Kelaniya during the past year. Among all the faculties the Faculty of Humanities was awarded the Vice-Chancellor's Awards for conducting the highest number of Research Conferences/Symposiums in year 2016.

### **3.3 Vice-Chancellor's Award for the Most Number of Research Papers Presented in Research Conferences/Symposia Organized by it and it's Departments/Centers/Units**

Faculty of Social Sciences was awarded the Vice-Chancellor's Awards for the most number of research papers presented in research conferences/symposia organized by it and it's Departments/Centers/Units in year 2016.

### **3.4 Vice-Chancellor's Award for the Recipient of the Highest Amount of Research Grants from Outside the University in each Faculty of the University of Kelaniya.**

#### **Faculty of Medicine**



**Dr. (Mrs.) G. P. G. M. D. Hapugoda**

*B.Sc in Zoology, Ph.D in Medical Parasitology, Post. Doc in Recombinant Gene Technology*

Senior Lecturer / Head of Unit

Molecular Medicine Unit

Dr. Menaka Dilani Hapugoda is a Senior Lecturer in the Molecular Medicine Unit of the Faculty of Medicine. She obtained a BSc Special Degree in Zoology with Second Class Upper Division honours from the University of Sri Jayawardenepura in 1998 and a PhD in Medical Parasitology from the University of Kelaniya in 2004. She held a two-year post-doctoral research fellowship in recombinant gene products at the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology in New Delhi in 2004 – 2006. She has also undergone training in molecular virology at Nagasaki University in Japan, and in nuclear medicine at the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna, Austria, and another training fellowship in recombinant gene products at the ICgeb in New Delhi in 2010.

Dr. Hapugoda has taught on undergraduate degree programmes in Science, Medical Laboratory Sciences and Agriculture in the Universities of Kelaniya, Colombo Sri Jayawardenepura, Wayamba and the Open University of Sri Lanka. She has also taught on the postgraduate programmes in Molecular Medicine and Microbiology and Parasitology offered by the PostGraduate Institute of Medicine of the University of Colombo. She has supervised a large number of postgraduate research students: 4 have already completed their PhDs, and 2 have completed their MPhil. She is currently supervising 5 PhD students and 1 MPhil student.



Dr. Hapugoda has been the Principal Investigator, Deputy Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator on 12 research grants, including those awarded by the University of Kelaniya, the National Science Foundation, the National Research Council, WHO-SEARO, WHO TDR, the International Atomic Energy Agency, and the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, among others. Dr. Hapugoda has presented over 100 research abstracts at numerous local and international scientific conferences, and authored over 22 full papers in peer-reviewed indexed journals. She has 2 international patents, 187 citations on Google Scholar and an H-index of 5.

She has received Senate honours for publications in peer-reviewed indexed journals in 2015 and 2016, as well as Presidential Awards for scientific publication in 2014 and 2015. In 2008, she received the VC's Award for being the recipient of the highest amount of research grants in the University.

In 2016, Dr. Hapugoda has received a grant worth approximately US\$ 365,790 from the International Atomic Energy Agency for a project to establish a national centre for research, training and services in Medical and Molecular Entomology for vector-borne diseases control in Sri Lanka.

## Faculty of Science



**Dr. (Mrs.) D.S.M. De Silva**

*B.Sc.(Kelaniya), Ph.D.(Sheffield), M.Ichem., AEPRF*

Senior Lecturer (Grade I)

Department of Chemistry

Dr. D. S. M. De Silva graduated from the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka in 1994 and was recruited as a probationary lecture in Chemistry in January 1996. She earned her PhD from the Department of Engineering Materials, University of Sheffield, UK in 2002. During past years she has obtained research and equipment grants from NSF, NRC, UGC and TWAS. The total sum of grants received was 18 million LKR. Her current research work mainly focused on fabrication of photovoltaic materials & devices for solar energy applications.

She is working with number of international collaborators attached to the; University of Sheffield Hallam, UK, University of Illinois, Chicago, USA, Sivananthan Laboratories INC, Chicago, USA and National Renewable Energy Laboratory, USA. As a result of this interactions she was able to coordinate a very successful two day workshop on Photo-voltaics in January 2016 with the participation of 6 overseas resource persons and 150 local participants, organized by the Departments of Chemistry and Physics. As a consequence, The present Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sunanda Maduma Bandara granted 20 Million rupees to establish a center, to work on Solar energy applications, She is currently serving as the Director of this Solar Solutions Center.

In April 2016, Ministry of Science and Technology has given its approval through a cabinet memorandum for LKR 240 Million grant as per the request made by the researchers working on Solar Cell Fabrication at the local universities, Kelaniya, Peradeniya, Ruhuna, and Jaffna. As a principal Investigator at the University of Kelaniya she was able to secure 66 Million rupees to establish an Edu- Training Center at the University of Kelaniya for R & D in CdTe based Solar Cells.

### 3.5 Vice-Chancellor's Award for the Researcher with the Highest Number of Research Publications from University Internal Research Grants



**Dr. (Mrs.) A. W. K. W. Subasinghe**

*B.A.(Kel'ya), M.S.Sc.(Kel'ya), Ph.D.(Wuhan)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Sociology

Faculty of Social Sciences

Dr. Wasantha Subasinghe, a Senior Lecturer of the Department of Sociology since 1999 in the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. She graduated from the University of Kelaniya in 1998 with a Bachelor's Degree and received her PhD from Peoples' Republic of China in 2009. She is an academic member of the National Institute of Social Development, Deputy Director/Learning Resources of the Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE) and a Council Member of the Association of Sri Lankan Sociologists. She was awarded the Best Researcher in the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka in 2014. Her Research Interests are Planning and Development Studies. She has written nine books and more than fifteen academic articles relevant to Sociology. She has done research based on urban slum dwellers, gypsy community, tsunami affected families, child deviancy, socio - economic consequences of chronic kidney disease families, the impact of school counseling programs, economic viability and socio-economic impact of NAITA Programs in Sri Lanka, present capacity utilization of southern highway and future prospects etc. She has presented research findings at national and international conferences in Japan, Canada, India, Thailand, Turkey, Australia, Dubai and China.

She has written one book, eight research articles, three research full papers and six research abstracts within last year 2016. She has made five presentations in national and international conferences and made a keynote speech in '2nd International Conference on Global Issues in Multy Disciplinary Research and Practice' in Dubai, UAE. in 2016. She worked for two Journals as an editorial board member and worked as a secretary for two international research conferences

in 2016. She wrote one monograph on ‘Woman and Development’ in 2016. She has obtained one senate honors and cash prize for this year 2016.

### **3.6 Vice- Chancellor's Award for the Researcher with the Highest Number of Publications in Journals indexed in the Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Science Citation Index and Social Sciences Citation Index**

Two Academic Staff Members from the Faculty of Science were awarded the Vice Chancellor's Award for the researcher with the highest number of publications in journals indexed in the Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Science Citation Index and Social Sciences Citation in year 2016.



**Prof. U.S. Amarasinghe**

*B.Sc. (Kel'ya), M.Sc. (Wales, UK), Ph.D. (Ruhuna)*

*D.Sc. (Bangor, UK), C.Biol. (Sri Lanka), F.I.Biol. (Sri Lanka), FNASSL*

Senior Professor

Department of Zoology & Environmental Science

Faculty of Science

Professor U. S. Amarasinghe joined the University of Kelaniya in 1992 after working as a research officer in the Ministry of Fisheries and NARA from 1980 to 1992.

His research career commenced in 1980 when he started research on reservoir fisheries of Sri Lanka. He was a commonwealth postdoctoral fellow in Imperial College, London in 2000-2001 and was an academic visitor in the Centre for Limnology, Netherlands Institute of Ecology in 2007. He was the project leader in two mega research projects on reservoir and lake fisheries in Asia funded by European Commission and Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research. The financial support from these projects was instrumental for improving laboratory facilities and capacity building in the university.

He served as a consultant to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to International Development Research Centre, Canada, to the Worldwide Fund for Nature in Pakistan and to the University of Stirling, UK for one of its fisheries projects in Malawi.

Hitherto, he has trained thirty three postgraduates. They include 06 Ph.D. degrees, 13 M.Phil. degrees and 14 M.Sc. degrees. Presently 08 postgraduate students carry out research under his supervision.

He won several ‘once-in-lifetime’ awards. They include the TWAS prize for the best young scientist in biology in 1993; the CVCD excellence award 2008 and General Research Committee Award – 2009 of SLAAS for his research on fisheries biology. He received several presidential awards for the authorship of scientific papers figuring in Science Citation Index. He was the recipient of the Vice Chancellor’s award for the outstanding researcher in science in 2008, 2009, 2010 ad 2015. He is a Fellow and a Charter Biologist in the Institute of Biology, Sri Lanka and a fellow of the National Academy of Sciences of Sri Lanka. He is also a Life member of several scientific professional societies.

So far, he has published over 125 research papers and 09 monographs. He is a member of the editorial board of “Asian Fisheries Science” and “Journal of National Science Foundation.” Besides being a referee for several international journals, he is the Editor-in-Chief of “Sri Lanka Journal of Aquatic Sciences.” The scientific findings of research had a significant impact on national economic development, and they were adopted to formulate fisheries management regulations in the country.

According to Google Scholar Citations, total number of citations of his publications upto now is 1430, H-index is 22 and i-10 index is 45. In the Faculty of Science, he occupies the top position in Google Scholar Citations.

In recognition of the outstanding research carried out for the year 2016, I request you to present the award for the outstanding researcher in the Faculty of Science to Professor U. S. Amarasinghe.



**Prof. (Mrs.) Asoka Pathiratne**

*B.Sc. (Special) (Kelaniya), Ph.D. (North Dakota, USA)*

Senior Professor

Department of Zoology and Environmental Management

Faculty of Science

Prof. (Mrs.) Asoka Pathiratne is a Senior Professor in the Department of Zoology and Environmental Management, University of Kelaniya. She has obtained the Ph. D. degree from North Dakota State University, USA. She has served in the Department in all academic positions ranging from Lecturer to Senior Professor since 1980. She has been a Visiting Research Scientist at University of Stirling, UK on the Commonwealth Academic Postdoctoral Fellowship and a Visiting Research Fellow at Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Australia under the McMaster Research Fellowship.

Prof. Pathiratne is an environmental toxicologist and her current research interests are on applications of biomarkers in aquatic pollution monitoring and impact assessments and risk assessment of industrial effluents using different biological models. Based on her research, she has presented over 100 research papers at international/national scientific symposia. So far she has published over 55 full research papers in peer reviewed international and national journals, majority of which are indexed in Science Citation Index. She has also contributed 08 chapters to books both nationally and internationally and published 03 books. The postgraduates trained by her include 12 M.Sc., 06 M. Phil and 04 Ph. D students. She has also served as a resource person for a series of workshops conducted for enhancing research competencies of probationary lectures and postgraduate and undergraduate students at university and national levels.

She has won the President's research awards 10 times for authorship of scientific research publications cited in Science Citation Index, Vice-Chancellors awards for “the most outstanding researcher of the Faculty of Science, University of Kelaniya” in 2010 and the Commendation Certificate for research by National Science Foundation in 2010. She is the recipient of the lifetime CVCD award for “the most outstanding Senior Researcher in the Field of Biological Sciences” in 2014, With the Google Scholar H index of 16, she is a regular international reviewer



in a number of prestigious international journals related to Environmental Sciences such as Chemosphere, Ecotoxicology, Environmental Research, Journal of Hazardous Materials, Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety. She has served as the Editor in Chief of the Sri Lanka Journal of Aquatic Sciences for 04 years. She is a member of several professional societies in Sri Lanka and overseas and also a Fellow of the Institute of Biology and National Academy of Sciences, Sri Lanka.

## 04. Best Young Researcher in each Faculty

### 4.1 The Best Young Researcher in the Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies in 2016



**Ms. M. K. D. Padmasiri**

*B.B.Mgt.(HRM) Special (Kelaniya), Dip. In Counseling, High Dip. in Psychotherapy*

Lecturer (Probationary)

Department of Human Resource Management

Ms. M.K. Dintihi Padmasiri is a Lecturer (Probationary) attached to the Department of Human Resource Management. She is a product of Sirimavo Bandaranaike Vidyala and University of Kelaniya. She has completed Bachelor of Business Management (HR) Special degree with a First Class Honors. She has obtained a Gold Medal for “The Outstanding Student of the year 2014” at 2014 convocation, University of Kelaniya. She joined to the University of Kelaniya as an Assistant Lecturer in 2014, February and in October she joined as a Lecturer (Probationary). She is a professional psychology counselor and psychotherapist. She is involving in National Programme on Drug Prevention attached to the Presidential Task Force on Drug Prevention.

She has completed Master of Human Resource Management from the University of Kelaniya and waiting for results. Meanwhile, she is reading Master of Business Administration at Postgraduate Institute of Management, University of Sri Jayawardhanapura.

During her academic life, she has published 10 journal articles including 03 papers in indexed Journals. Further she has presented 03 full papers and 05 research abstracts in local and international conferences. In addition, she has obtained Google citations for her research works. She was member of editorial Board MHRM Kelaniya Journal-2016. Her research areas of interest include, Human Resource Management, Psychology and Human Resource Development.

## 4.2 The Best Young Researcher in the Faculty of Medicine in 2016



**Dr. P. A. D. H. N. Gunathilaka**

*B.Sc (Hons), Ph.D (Kelaniya), MI Biol (Sri Lanka)*

Senior Lecturer

Department of Parasitology

Dr. Nayana Gunathilaka is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Parasitology in the Faculty of Medicine. He obtained a BSc General degree with First Class honours from the Faculty of Science of the University of Kelaniya in 2009, and his PhD in Molecular Medicine and Medical Entomology from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya in 2014, while working as a Medical Entomologist with the TEDHA Malaria Elimination Program funded by the Global Fund against AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

He has received training in advanced taxonomy of medically important mosquito vectors and in Molecular Entomology from the WHO Collaborating Centre for Reference and Research on Arboviruses and their associated vectors in Singapore. Before joining the academic staff of the University of Kelaniya in 2016, Dr. Gunathilaka worked as a Research Scientist attached to the Biotechnology Unit of the Industrial Technology Institute in Colombo 7.

Currently he is the Principal Investigator of a National Research Council-funded Investigator Driven Research project on leishmaniasis. He is also a co-investigator of a NRC-funded mega project on dengue, and on a WHO-funded research project on the potential use of a combined Sterile Insect Technique and *Wolbachia* - based approach for the control of the dengue vectors in Sri Lanka. At present, he is supervising 2 PhD and 2 MPhil students in the fields of Community Medicine and Entomology.

Dr. Gunathilaka has made 73 presentations at national and international conferences. He is a co-author of 15 full papers and 2 short communications published in peer-reviewed scientific journals. He has 42 citations of his work according to Google Scholar, and an H-index of 3.

During the course of 2016, Dr. Gunathilaka has co-authored 5 full papers published in peer-reviewed scientific journals, been a co-author on 11 conference presentations (both oral and poster), and has had 9 citations of his published work.

### 4.3 The Best Young Researcher in the Faculty of Science in 2016



**Dr. (Mrs.) T. D. Rupasinghe**

*B.Sc. (Hons) (Kelaniya), M.Sc. (Clemson University, USA),*

*Ph.D. (Clemson University, USA)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Industrial Management

Dr. Thashika Rupasinghe obtained her B.Sc. (Hons) in Industrial Management from the University of Kelaniya with a First Class Honours and winning the gold medal for the best student in the special degree programme. She received her Ph.D. and M.Sc. degrees in Industrial Systems Engineering from Clemson University in USA. She has taught Industrial Systems Engineering courses to undergraduate of the Clemson University and won several awards for her exceptional teaching skills including the Outstanding Teaching Assistant of the year 2008, 2009, and 2010 voted by the students and winning the Outstanding Teaching Assistant of the year 2009 voted by the faculty. She has set the record at the Clemson University, Department of Industrial Engineering for winning the most number of awards for teaching undergraduates. She was the lead researcher of the team to work on two National Science Foundation, USA funded grants to support Aviation and Automotive Technical Education using Virtual Reality technology. She has won the award for the best research at the National Academy of Engineering (NAE), USA in the Advanced Learning and Computation category at the Grand Challenges Conference in the year 2009. Along with that she won the best research award of Clemson Industrial Engineering in year 2009.

Upon completing her doctorate, she joined the SYSCO Corporation, USA the world's largest food distributor, as a Senior Supply Chain Analyst and later promoted as a manager, where she was the only Asian Ph.D. holder to lead a multi-disciplinary advanced analytics team. She has published more than 50 publications in prestigious indexed journals and international conferences including Journal of Industrial Engineering, International Journal of Engineering Education, and

International Journal of Supply Chain Management and have presented her work at Winter Simulation, INFORMS, and IERC conferences.

She joined the University of Kelaniya in the year 2013 as a Senior Lecturer and is a consultant to leading Sri Lankan companies including MAS Holdings, Cargills Ceylon PLC, and RENUKA group and a few USA-based companies. She is the recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Challenge Trophy of the Year from her alma mater Sirimavo Bandaranaike Vidyalaya in Year 2016.

#### 4.4 The Best Young Researcher in the Faculty of Social Sciences in 2016



**Mr. W.W.M.P.K. Jinadasa**

*B.A. (Kel'ya), MSSc. (Kel'ya), PG. Dip. in Translation (Perad'ya),  
Cert in Research (C'bo), PG. Dip. in Psychology (Perad'ya),  
Sangeeth Visharad, Sangeeth Nipun ( Lucknow, India)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Mass Communication

Manoj Jinadasa, Senior Lecturer of the department of Mass Communication, faculty of social Sciences, University of Kelaniya. In addition to his BA, MSSc in Mass Communication, He possesses two Postgraduate Diplomas in Translations and Psychology at the University of Peradeniya. Further He has trained social sciences research techniques at the University of Colombo. He has a short term academic orientation at Jawaharlala Nehru University New Delhi, India. His passion is Indian Classical Musica so he has gained Sangeeth Vishrad and Sangeeth Nipun, at Lucknow Sangeeth Vidyapeeth University, Which are equivalent to BA and MA level degrees in India.

Manoj has already presented 31 papers at international symposia including Oxford Internet Centre, University of Oxford in 2015, University of Leicester, UK and Harvard Medical School, University of Harvard, USA in 2016. He has published 09 full papers in high indexed journals including social sciences index journals. Manoj has presented 11 papers at local national symposia. He has produced 18 chapters in local and foreign publications. Manoj has already published 19 books in both Sinhala and English covering international communication, Public Relations and medial management in addition to Mass Communication.

Manoj works as reviewer for Sage and Rutledge Journals, UK in Journalism and Mass Communication in addition to David journals, in USA. He is the pioneer in establishing brand new Discipline in Public Relations and Media Management in Sri Lankan University System. Manoj has international media and communication professional memberships in ICA (USA). IAMCR (UK), and AMIC( ASIA- Philippines).



## 05. Best Researcher in Each Faculty

### 5.1 The Best Researcher in the Faculty of Commerce & Management Studies in 2016



**Dr. A.C. de Alwis**

*B.Sc. (Bus.Ad.) (S.J'pura.), M.Sc (Mgt.) (S.J'pura.),*

*Ph.D. (TBU, Czech Republic)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade I)

Department of Human Resource Management

Dr. A. Chamaru De Alwis is a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Human Resource Management. He is a product of Prince of Wales College moratuwa and University of Sri Jayewardenepura and completed Masters Degree from the same University. He completed Doctor of Philosophy in Management at Tomas Bata University in Zlin, the Czech Republic. After getting 10-year industrial experience, he joined University of Kelaniya as a Lecturer (Probationary) in 2005. During his academic life, he has published **26** journal articles including 10 papers in indexed Journals. Further he has presented 22 full papers in local and international conferences. His research areas of interest include, Total quality management, Human Resource Management and family Business. In addition to that he is the author of 03 books. He worked as a member of editorial boards in both local and international Journals including Journal of graduate studies, university of Kelaniya, Kelaniya Journal of HRM, Kelaniya Journal of Management, International Journal of Management and Good Governance, Bratislava University in Slovakia and International journal of Vallis Auera published by DAAAM International Vienna (Austria) and Polytechnic in Pozega (Croatia). In addition to that, he contributes as a Doctoral research supervisor of Malaysian Science University and Faculty of Graduate Studies of University of Kelaniya as well as a supervisor of several Master Degree programmes namely MBA, MHRM and MCOM in University of Kelaniya, Master of Science in Management and Administration of Ayurveda Institutions in Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute and MBA at Sri Lanka Air Force Academy- China bay. He was awarded 2nd place on the English paper awards by Tomas Bata University in Zlin and Vice Chancellor's Most Outstanding Researcher's Award in 2015 by University of Kelaniya. Further he has won 5 number of Senate Hones for publishing papers in indexed Journals.

## 5.2 The Best Researcher in the Faculty of Humanities in 2016



**Dr. (Mrs.) H.A.A. Swarnawathie Ihalagama**

*B.A. (S.J'pura), M.Phil. (Ruhuna), Ph.D. (BPU)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Sinhala

1991 වර්ෂයේ කැලණිය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ මානවශාස්ත්‍ර පීඨයට ඇතුළත් වී, සිංහල විෂය පිළිබඳ ප්‍රථම පන්ති සාමර්ථයක් සහිත ව ශාස්ත්‍රවේදී විශේෂ උපාධිය ලබා ගනිමින් සිංහල විෂයය සඳහා වසරේ විශිෂ්ටතම විද්‍යාර්ථියාට හිමි මහාචාර්ය ඩී.පී. විජයරත්න ස්වර්ණ මුද්‍රිකාව ද හිමි කරගත් ඇය වර්ෂ 2000 දී කැලණිය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයේ සිංහල අධ්‍යයන අංශයේ ආධුනික කථිකාචාර්ය ධුරයට පත් වූවා ය.

2003 වර්ෂයේ දී කැලණිය විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයෙන් දර්ශනපති උපාධිය ද, 2009 වර්ෂයේ දී චීනයේ වූහාන් විශ්වවිද්‍යාලයෙන් දර්ශනශූරී උපාධිය ද ලබා ගත් ඇය මේ වන විට ජ්‍යෙෂ්ඨ කථිකාචාර්ය ධුරයේ සේවයේ යෙදෙමින් ශාස්ත්‍රීය පර්යේෂණ හා ලේඛන කටයුතුවල ද අඛණ්ඩව නිරත වන්නී ය.

ඇය විසින් ප්‍රකාශයට පත් කරනු ලැබූ සිංහල සංස්කෘතිය, ජනශ්‍රැතිය හා සාහිත්‍යය යන විෂයක්ෂේත්‍ර සම්බන්ධ ශාස්ත්‍රීය කෘති ගණනාව අතුරින් 2015 වර්ෂයේ දී ප්‍රකාශයට පත් කෙරුණු කවිකාරමඩුව කෘතිය සඳහා ජාතික බෞද්ධ මහා සම්මේලනය හා බුද්ධ ශාසන අමාත්‍යාංශය ඒකාබද්ධව පිරිනමනු ලබන බෞද්ධ සාහිත්‍ය සම්මානය ද හිමි විය.

එපමණක් නොව, ඇය ජාතික හා ජාත්‍යන්තර මට්ටමේ පර්යේෂණ සඟරාවල අඛණ්ඩව පර්යේෂණාත්මක ලිපි පළ කරමින් ද ජාතික හා ජාත්‍යන්තර තලයේ පර්යේෂණ පරිසංවාද සඳහා පර්යේෂණ පත්‍රිකා ඉදිරිපත් කරමින් ද විශේෂයෙන් ම ජනශ්‍රැතිය හා සංස්කෘතිය යන විෂයක්ෂේත්‍ර කේන්ද්‍රීයව ස්වකීය පර්යේෂණ කාර්යයන්හි නියැලෙමින් සිටින්නී ය.

### 5.3 The Best Researcher in the Faculty of Medicine in 2016



**Dr. M.A. Niriella**

*MBBS(Col). MD(Col), MRCP(Lon), MRCP(UK)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Medicine

Dr. Madunil Anuk Niriella is a Senior Lecturer in Medicine, in the Department of Medicine, at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Kelaniya, Ragama. He also serves as Honorary Consultant Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist in the University Medical Unit at the Colombo North Teaching Hospital in Ragama.

Dr Niriella graduated from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Colombo in 2001 with First Class honours and best results for the Final MBBS. He completed his MD in Medicine from the PGIM in 2007, obtaining best results at that examination. He had his post graduate training in gastroenterology and hepatology first from the University Medical Unit at Ragama and then from the Department of Gastroenterology, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, United Kingdom.

His research interests include Inflammatory Bowel Disease, cirrhosis of the liver, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, liver transplantation, hepatocellular carcinoma, endoscopic techniques and tropical gastroenterology. He is a member of the Asia-Pacific Crohn and Colitis Epidemiology Study group. Dr. Niriella has presented over 50 research abstracts related to Gastroenterology and Hepatology at numerous local and international scientific conferences. He has authored over 30 full papers in his field in peer-reviewed indexed journals. He is also an active peer reviewer and guest editor for local and international peer reviewed indexed journals in the field of Gastroenterology & Hepatology.

Dr. Niriella has twice been a recipient of awards for best oral papers in Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease at the prestigious European United Gastroenterology Week, first in 2013, and again this

year. He has also received numerous prizes at the annual academic sessions of the Sri Lanka Medical Association, including the S E Seneviratna Prize and the Kumaradasa Rajasuriya Prize in 2016 and the E M Wijerama prize for best overall research presentations in 2010 and 2015. He has been the recipient of Presidential Awards for scientific publications in the years 2010, 2011 and 2014. He has over 140 citations of his work according to Google Scholar, and a H-Index of 6.

During the course of 2016, Dr. Niriella has co-authored 8 full papers published in peer-reviewed scientific journals and been a co-author on 14 Conference presentations, both oral and poster. He has had 27 citations of his published work.

## 5.4 The Best Researcher in the Faculty of Science in 2016



### **Prof. U.S. Amarasinghe**

*B.Sc. (Kel'ya), M.Sc. (Wales, UK), Ph.D. (Ruhuna)*

*D.Sc. (Bangor, UK), C.Biol. (Sri Lanka), F.I.Biol. (Sri Lanka), FNASSL*

Senior Professor

Department of Zoology & Environmental Management

Professor U. S. Amarasinghe joined the University of Kelaniya in 1992 after working as a research officer in the Ministry of Fisheries and NARA from 1980 to 1992.

His research career commenced in 1980 when he started research on reservoir fisheries of Sri Lanka. He was a commonwealth postdoctoral fellow in Imperial College, London in 2000-2001 and was an academic visitor in the Centre for Limnology, Netherlands Institute of Ecology in 2007. He was the project leader in two mega research projects on reservoir and lake fisheries in Asia funded by European Commission and Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research. The financial support from these projects was instrumental for improving laboratory facilities and capacity building in the university.

He served as a consultant to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to International Development Research Centre, Canada, to the Worldwide Fund for Nature in Pakistan and to the University of Stirling, UK for one of its fisheries projects in Malawi.

Hitherto, he has trained thirty three postgraduates. They include 06 Ph.D. degrees, 13 M.Phil. degrees and 14 M.Sc. degrees. Presently 08 postgraduate students carry out research under his supervision.

He won several 'once-in-lifetime' awards. They include the TWAS prize for the best young scientist in biology in 1993; the CVCD excellence award 2008 and General Research Committee Award – 2009 of SLAAS for his research on fisheries biology. He received several presidential awards for the authorship of scientific papers figuring in Science Citation Index. He was the recipient of the Vice Chancellor's award for the outstanding researcher in science in 2008, 2009,

2010 ad 2015. He is a Fellow and a Charter Biologist in the Institute of Biology, Sri Lanka and a fellow of the National Academy of Sciences of Sri Lanka. He is also a Life member of several scientific professional societies.

So far, he has published over 125 research papers and 09 monographs. He is a member of the editorial board of “Asian Fisheries Science” and “Journal of National Science Foundation.” Besides being a referee for several international journals, he is the Editor-in-Chief of “Sri Lanka Journal of Aquatic Sciences.” The scientific findings of research had a significant impact on national economic development, and they were adopted to formulate fisheries management regulations in the country.

According to Google Scholar Citations, total number of citations of his publications upto now is 1430, H-index is 22 and i-10 index is 45. In the Faculty of Science, he occupies the top position in Google Scholar Citations.

In recognition of the outstanding research carried out for the year 2016, I request you to present the award for the outstanding researcher in the Faculty of Science to Professor U. S. Amarasinghe.

## 5.5 The Best Researcher in the Faculty of Social Sciences in 2016



**Dr. (Mrs.) A. W. K. W. Subasinghe**

*B.A.(Kel'ya), M.S.Sc.(Kel'ya), Ph.D.(Wuhan)*

Senior Lecturer (Grade II)

Department of Sociology

Dr. Wasantha Subasinghe, a Senior Lecturer of the Department of Sociology since 1999 in the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka. She graduated from the University of Kelaniya in 1998 with a Bachelor's Degree and received her PhD from Peoples' Republic of China in 2009. She is an academic member of the National Institute of Social Development, Deputy Director/Learning Resources of the Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE) and a Council Member of the Association of Sri Lankan Sociologists. She was awarded the Best Researcher in the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka in 2014. Her Research Interests are Planning and Development Studies. She has written nine books and more than fifteen academic articles relevant to Sociology. She has done research based on urban slum dwellers, gypsy community, tsunami affected families, child deviancy, socio - economic consequences of chronic kidney disease families, the impact of school counseling programs, economic viability and socio-economic impact of NAITA Programs in Sri Lanka, present capacity utilization of southern highway and future prospects etc. She has presented research findings at national and international conferences in Japan, Canada, India, Thailand, Turkey, Australia, Dubai and China.

She has written one book, eight research articles, three research full papers and six research abstracts within last year 2016. She has made five presentations in national and international conferences and made a keynote speech in '2nd International Conference on Global Issues in Multy Disciplinary Research and Practice' in Dubai, UAE. in 2016. She worked for two Journals as an editorial board member and worked as a secretary for two international research conferences in 2016. She wrote one monograph on 'Woman and Development' in 2016. She has obtained one senate honors and cash prize for this year 2016.



## 6. BEST PROMOTER OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

### 6.1 The Best Promoter of International Relations in the University in 2016



**Prof. A. K. Manatunga**

*B.A.(Kel'ya), M.A.(Poona) , M.Sc.(Kel'ya), FSLCA*

Professor

Department of Archeology

Prof. Anura Manatunga is a Senior Professor at the Department of Archaeology and the Director of the Centre for Asian Studies of the University of Kelaniya. He was the Head of the Department of Archaeology from 1996 - 2002. Prof. Manatunga served as the Archaeological Director of the Polonnaruwa Project of the Central Cultural Fund during 1999-2014. He held the positions of Joint Secretary and Vice President of the Sri Lanka Council of Archaeologists and is being a Founder Member and Fellow of the Council. He represented the Council of the Royal Asiatic Society as its Honourary Librarian.

Prof. Manatunga is the founder of the International Association for Asian Heritage (IAAH) and the International Federation of Teaching Archaeologists and Historians (IFTAH). He is a member of various International Societies on Archaeology and Asian Studies in General.

During the current year, Prof. Manatunga organized two International Conferences and One International workshop at the University of Kelaniya. He delivered the Presidential Address of the International Seminar on Archaeology of Burials at the Kerala University, Trivendram in India and followed to the Karnataka University for a research presentation on Amaravati and Anuradhapura in January 2016. He was the special invitee of the International Conference held in Kathmandu, Nepal to celebrate the Buddha Jayanthi in May 2016. He attended as a special invitee of the International Conference on Sacred Cities held in New Delhi in October 2016. He participated the Experts Meeting of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Asia held in Osaka in Japan and took part in Kalinga – Indonesia Dialogue held in Rewanshow University, Bhubaneshwar, India in November 2016.

## **Affiliated Institutes**

*Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology*

*Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies*

*Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute*

## **University of Kelaniya**

## 7. BEST YOUNG RESEARCHER IN EACH AFFILIATED INSTITUTE

### 7.1 The Best Young Researcher of the Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology in 2016



**Mrs. R.M.N. Sanjeewani Rathnabahu**

*B.A. (Special) (Kelaniya), MSSc (Kelaniya), Dip. in Information Technology*

Senior Assistant Librarian

Postgraduate Institute of Archaeology

Rathnabahu Mudiyanseelage Nadeeka Sanjeewani Rathnabahu graduated from the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kelaniya with the Honours degree in Library and Information Science in 2006. She obtained her postgraduate qualification in the same university in year 2012. Mrs. Rathnabahu joined the Postgraduate Institute of Archeology academic faculty as an Assistant Librarian in year 2009 and currently working as a Senior Assistant Librarian and Web Master at the institute. Further she is visiting lecturer in the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kelaniya since 2009.

Mrs. Rathnabahu has published many papers in national and international conferences and published peer review article in several journals. She has attended many local and international workshops and training programmes. Mrs. Rathnabahu's research areas are application in Information Communication Technology in libraries, knowledge organization and preservation of Intangible cultural Heritage. Mrs. Rathnabahu worked in the ABIA South and Southeast Asian Art and Archaeology Index Project as an Office Coordinator and freelance annotator since 2012-2015. And she is a managing editor of the journal of Memoirs of the Postgraduate Institute of archaeology since 2011 to up to date. She was awarded as a Chartered Librarian by the Sri Lanka Library Association in year 2015 and selected as the Best Performing Institute Web Master in the University of Kelaniya.