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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK 2009

The National Library Week programme was conducted from 12th to 15 May 2009 at the NLDSB premises. The main objective of this programme is to make aware the public about the national library resources and services and thereby promote the utilization of national library resources and services. The inauguration ceremony was held on 12th May 2009 and Mr Sri vastava, first secretary (education), Indian High Commission and prof. Shanika Hiriburegama, Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo participated as special guests of the inauguration ceremony. The book and information exhibition was also inaugurated at this ceremony. On the same day a ceremony was conducted to donate school equipments and books to children of dead and disabled war heroes. A musical show was also conducted for these children by veteran singer Mr. Edward Jayakody.

The second day of the programme (13.5.2009) was named as public library day. On this day a seminar for public librarians was conducted. Another seminar was conducted for the officers of public library reader circles. In addition, library books were donated to 200 public libraries. The presentation of awards to best library and best librarian in district and provincial level also took place at this ceremony.

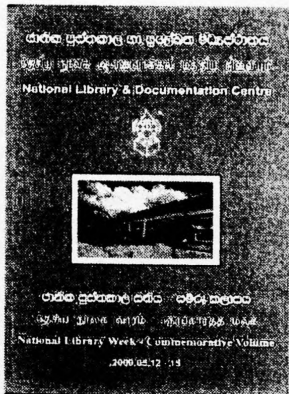
The third day of the programme was named as academic library day. On the academic library day a seminar was conducted for school librarians. Another seminar on the literary service of great writer Martin Wickramasinghe was conducted for school children. In addition, books were donated to 100 schools.

Fourth day of the programme was award presentation day. On this day awards were presented to four leading library professionals for their tremendous service to the library and information field in Sri Lanka. These awards were presented to Mrs. Ishvari Corea, prof. Jayasiri Lankage, Mr. N. Amarasinghe and prof. W.B. Dorakumbura. In addition awards were presented to writers of books which were published under the publication assistance project of the NLDSB and received state literary awards. Awards were also presented to the libraries which successfully implemented reading promotion programme in 2008.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK COMMEMORATIVE VOLUME

To mark the National Library Week 2009, NLDC compiled a commemorative volume. This publication consists of articles on different aspects of the NLDC such as role and functions, publication assistance, bibliographical services, legal deposit law, conservation and preservation, international cooperation etc. Articles for this commemorative volume have been compiled by Mr. W.K.M.M.K. Weerasinghe, prof. Jayasiri Lankage, Mrs. Nalini Mallawarachchi, Mr. W. Sunil, Dr. K.D.G. Wimalaratna, Mr. G.D. Amarasiri, Mrs. T. Sridaran, Mrs. Senani Bandara, Miss. Chandima Wadasinghe, Mr. Udaya prasad Kabral, Mr. Vijaya Premadarsana and Mr. Nuwara Eliya Hemapala.



NATIONAL LIBRARY LECTURE SERIES

Under the National Library Lecture Series following lectures were conducted during January - June 2009.

Month	Topic	Resource person
January	මානසික ආතතියෙන් මිදෙන්නේ කෙසේද?	prof. D.B. Nugegoda

February	21 වන සියවසේ තොරතුරු සාක්ෂරතා සංවර්ධනයේ ඇති වැදගත්කම	Miss Namali Suraweera
March	සීනිරිය විභි රාජකීය විනෝද උද්‍යානය සහ එම ඉදිකිරීම් වල ප්‍රමුඛත්වයෙහිලා බලපෑ අදහස් පිළිබඳ විවරණයක්	Dr. Senarath Disanayake
April	නූතන අවශ්‍යතා අනුව රාජ්‍ය ආයතන වෙතස් විය යුතුද?	Mr.V.W. Danasena
May	මත් ද්‍රව්‍ය පාලනයට අදාළව නීතියේ ක්‍රියාකාරීත්වය හා සංවර්ධනය	ඩී.පී. මෙන්ඩිස් මහතා
June	2009 ඩෙංගු වසංගතයට හේතු සාධක හා එය මැඩලීමට අප කළයුතු දේ	ප්‍රදීප් කාර්යවසම් මහතා

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY FRIENDS

The first anniversary of the National Library Friends organisation was held on 24.03.2009 at the National Library auditorium. About 60 professionals in library and other fields participated the ceremony. Chief guest of the inauguration ceremony was prof. Narada Warnasuriya, former Vice Chancellor of the University of Sri Jayawardana pura. New office bearers were elected for the forthcoming year at this ceremony. The multimedia television donated by Martin Wickramasinghe Trust was also opened at this ceremony. The launching of the newly created national library song also took place at this ceremony.

CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL LIBRARIES IN ASIA AND OCEANIA

The 17th Annual Conference of Directors of National Libraries in Asia and Oceania was held from 20 to 24 April 2009 in Hanoi, Vietnam. Mr. W.K.M.M.K. Weerasinghe, Director General of the National Library and Documentation Services Board participated the conference.

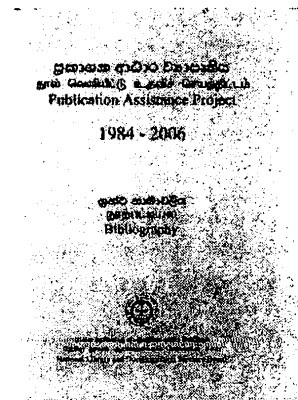
MALAYSIAN TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PROGRAMME - WORKSHOP ON LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOR SENIOR EXECUTIVES OF NATIONAL LIBRARIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

The Workshop on Leadership Development for Senior Executives of National Libraries in Developing Countries was held from 29th June to 12th July 2009 at the National Library of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Mrs. Senani Bandara, Deputy Director (Actg) of the NLDSB participated the workshop.



BIBLIOGRAPHY OF BOOKS PUBLISHED UNDER THE PUBLICATION ASSISTANCE PROJECTS OF THE NLDSB

The publication division of the NLDSB has compiled a bibliography of books published under the publication assistance project. The publication assistance project of the NLDSB was started in 1984 and this bibliography includes the books published under this project from 1984 to 2006. The number of books included in the bibliography is 1708. Indexes for the title, author and the year have also been included to the bibliography. This bibliography contains books published in Sinhala, Tamil and English.



EDITING OF “ BUTHSARANA ”

Under the project for editing of classical literature books, the National Library and Documentation Services Board started editing of “buthsarana”, a famous classical book. The editing of the book is carried out by the Department of Sinhala, University of Colombo. The inauguration of this project took place in the Department of Sinhala, University of Colombo. Prof. Shanika Hiriburegama, Vice Chancellor of the University of Colombo participated as the chief guest of the occasion. Dr. Leel Gunasekara, Mr. Sirisena Vithanage were also present on the occasion.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON LIBRARY ADVOCACY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Sri Lanka Library Association (SLLA) in collaboration with the National Library and Documentation Services Board conducted an international workshop to train library association leaders and professionals in south asian countries on library advocacy and policy development. This workshop was held on 12th and 13th February 2009 at Renuka Hotel, Kollupitiya. The objective of this workshop is to train a team dedicated to the development of public library service. Those who get the training will be assigned to organise library development workshops in their respective areas later. The workshop was funded by the Action for Development through Libraries (ALP) programme of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) with the assistance of Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). Mr. Michael Dowling, International Relations Officer of American Library Association and Ms Moira Fraser, Parliamentary Librarian of New Zealand served as prime resource persons. They were assisted by prof. Piyadasa Ranasinghe, president SLLA, Mr. Bola sheshthra, president, RERSALA, Nepal and Mr. D.V. Singh, President, Indian Library Association.

A SEMINAR ON COPYRIGHT

A seminar on copyright was conducted on 23.04.2009 to mark the world book and copyright day. The participants of the seminar were librarians, writers, etc. Dr. D.M. Karunaratna, Director Sri Lanka Intellectual property office, Dr. Prathiba Mahanama hewa, Faculty of Law, University of Colombo, Mr. Punchibanda Gallaba, Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Sri Jayewardanapura Mrs. Sriyani Ele peruma, Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Peradeniya were the resource persons.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (SLLA)

The 49th Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka Library Association was held on 26th June 2009 at Hotel Janaki, Colombo 5. Mr. G.M.P.B. Gallaba was elected as president for 2009/2010. Mr. D. Dissanayake, Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Home affairs was the chief guest of the inauguration ceremony.

WORKSHOP FOR SLLA LECTURERS

A workshop on Effective Teaching and Guiding Methods in library and information science education for the SLLA lecturers was held on 7th February 2009 in collaboration with the National Library and Documentation Services Board. The Chief Guest of this occasion was Mr. E.A. Samarasinghe, Chairman NLDSB. Objectives of the workshop were to convene all SLLA lecturers to a discussion on how to learn, teach and guide students. Prof. Piyadasa Ranasinghe, president of the SLLA, Emeritus Prof. of Education Ms. C. Gunawardana and prof. Ms. D. Lekamge, Dean faculty of Education, Open University of Sri Lanka served as resource persons.

NEW STUDY CENTRE IN BADULLA

A new study centre for the DIPLIS level 1 course was inaugurated in Badulla at the Uva Provincial Library Services Board on 7th March 2009. The first teaching library was opened at the Uva Provincial Central library with the assistance of NLDSB and UPLSB

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SHARING**

Duration : 1-4 November 2009

Venue : Portugal

Organised by : Institute for systems and Technologies of Information Control and Communication

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Email : Kmis Secretariate @insticc.org

URL : www.kmis.ic3k.org

FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIGITAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT (ICDIM 2009)

Duration : 1-4 November 2009

Venue : Michigan, USA

Email : conference@Icdim.org

URL : www.icdim.org/contact.php

4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR INTERNET TECHNOLOGY AND SECURED TRANSACTIONS

Duration : 9-12 November 2009

Venue : London, UK

Email : info@icitst.org

URL : www.icitst.org

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Codex Sinaiticus Manuscripts in Modern Information Environment

Duration : 12-13 November 2009

Venue : Saint peters bury, Russia

Tel : +7-812-327-7256

Fax : +7-812-327-7429

Email : dmecosmos@peterlink.ru

URL : www.n/r.ru/tus/2009 1112/eng/

DRF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The present and the future of open access repositories in worldwide and Asia - pacific perspective

Duration : 3-4 December 2009

Venue : Tokyo, Japan

Organised by : Digital respository Federation (DRE)

SPARC.Japan/National Institute of Informatics (NII) in collaboration with Tokyo institute of Technology Library

Tel : +81-11-299-5910

Fax : +81-11-299-5911

Email : Secretariat @drfic 2009.Jp

URL : http://drfic 2009.Jp/index
en.htm

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

Duration : 15 - 18 December 2009

Venue : Phoenix, Arizona, USA

Email : registrar @aisnet.org.

URL : www. iciso9.org/

**FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFER-
ENCE ON INFORMATION SYS-
TEMS SECURITY (ICISS 2009)**

Duration : 14-18 December 2009

Venue : Kolkato, India

URL : www. eecs. umich.edu/
icisso9

**2009 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON INFORMATION AND MULTIME-
DIA TECHNOLOGY (ICIMT - 2009)**

Duration : 18-20 December 2009

Venue : South Korea

Email : icimt@vip.163.com

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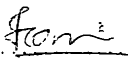
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