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# ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

## ACADEMIC

### ORIENTATION PROGRAMME - SUPPORT CENTRE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (SCPD)



Support Centre for Persons with Disabilities conducted an orientation programme on "Introduction of Support Centre for Persons with Disabilities" for new batch students of the Faculty of Business Studies, Faculty of Applied Science and Faculty of Technological Studies which was held on 06th July 2023 and 25th July 2023 Mrs. P. Godwin Phillip - Director / SCPD as Resource Person of this Orientation Programme.

The purpose of the orientation is to provide awareness regarding the purpose and activities of the SCPD and to integrate differently abled persons in the university.

## ACADEMIC

### WORKSHOP ON "CURRENT TAX SYSTEM IN SRI LANKA"



The workshop on "Current Tax System in Sri Lanka" was organized by the Staff Development Centre was held on 09th August 2023 at the Soosairatnam Block in University of Vavuniya. Mr. P. Sivapalan and Ms. V. Sukanthy, Assistant Commissioners, Department of Inland Revenue, Jaffna served as the resource persons for this workshop.



## ACADEMIC

### TRAINING SESSION ON "MENTAL HEALTH"



The Training Session on "Mental Health" was organized by the Staff Development Centre in collaboration with the Medical Centre, University of Vavuniya was held on 23rd August 2023 at the Balakrishnan Block in the Faculty of Business Studies, University of Vavuniya. Dr. S. Sivathas, Psychiatrist, Teaching Hospital, Jaffna and Dr. Dimuthu Mahendra, Psychiatrist, General Hospital, Vavuniya served as the resource persons for this training session for Tamil and Sinhala medium respectively.



## ACADEMIC

### OCCUPATIONAL CAREER GUIDANCE SESSION

Career Guidance Session was held on 23rd August 2023, at the Soosairatnam Block, University of Vavuniya. This session was organized to provide valuable guidance to both graduates and undergraduates who are actively seeking opportunities for foreign employment. The workshop was conducted with the generous support of YOULEAD's Skilled and Resilient Migrant Worker's (SRMW) project. Mr. Nirosha Happuharachi, Director, Skills and Guidance, was the resource person, he is the esteemed expert and professional in the field of foreign employment, was invited to share their insights. They provided valuable guidance on job market trends, required skills, legal aspects, cultural adaptation, and more.

## ACADEMIC

### WORKSHOP ON "POSITIVE PARENTING"

The workshop on "Positive Parenting" was organized by the Staff Development Centre in collaboration with Medical Centre, University of Vavuniya was held on 13th September 2023 at the Balakrishnan Block in the Faculty of Business Studies, University of Vavuniya. Dr. S. Sivathas, Psychiatrist, Teaching Hospital, Jaffna and Dr. Dimuthu Mahendra, Psychiatrist, General Hospital, Vavuniya served as the resource persons for this workshop, for Tamil and Sinhala medium respectively.



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## SEMINAR ON UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS-2023

Career Guidance Unit of University of Vavuniya organized a seminar on "University Admissions 2023", at the Soosairatnam Block, Faculty of Business Studies which was held on 13th September 2023. The seminar was aimed to provide valuable insights and guidance to students who are preparing for university admission in 2023. More than 250 students who were eligible for university admission from G.C.E Advanced Level Examination 2022 have participated in the seminar. Professor. (Mrs.) Ananthini Nanthakumaran, Dr. G. Jeyaseelan, Mr. V. Senthuran, Mr. S. Hariharan and Ms. P. Rukshani were served as the resource persons.



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## THE "AWARENESS WORKSHOP ON DISABILITY"

The "Awareness Workshop on Disability" was held on 20th September 2023 for the students of the Faculty of Technological Studies. The purpose of the training is to provide awareness regarding the activities of the SCPD in the university. Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor of the University of Vavuniya, welcome the resource persons and the students. There were three distinguished resource persons attended for this workshop. They were Dr. M. Malaravan, Consultant Eye Surgeon, Teaching Hospital, Jaffna, Dr. Jennifer George, Head of the Department of Computing University of Goldsmiths, London and Mr. V. Subramaniam, Coordinator of SCPD.

Mr. V. Subramaniam started his first session on "General Introduction to Disability". He discussed about the introduction to SCPD and disability. Followed by, Dr. Jennifer George conducted the next session on "Disability Inclusion Journey". Finally, Dr. M. Malaravan presented the session on "Introduction to Visual Disability". He discussed about the WHO classification, visual disability and common causes of low vision.

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## TRAINING PROGRAMME ON SELF-EVALUATION REPORT WRITING FOR PROGRAMME REVIEW

Staff Development Centre organized a training programme on Self-evaluation Report Writing for Programme Review to the Academic Staff of the Faculty of Technological Studies, University of Vavuniya on 15th November 2023 in collaboration with Centre for Quality Assurance. Dr. (Mrs.) P. Selvarajan, Prof. (Mrs.) A. Nanthakumaran, Prof. V. Sivalogathan, and Prof. A. Pushpanathan were invited as resource persons.

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## SRI LANKA US TECH TRANSFER TOUR

Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor, University of Vavuniya visited to the United States of America to attend the Sri Lanka US Tech Transfer Tour from 7th December to 15th December 2023. A key mandate of the UBLs in Sri Lankan universities is to transfer the innovative technologies developed by university scientists to the private sector. It was funded by the Department of Commerce, United States of America and implemented by Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) in partnership with AHEAD.



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## FOOD HANDLING MANUAL LAUNCHING EVENT

The manual on 'Good Practices for Food Manufacturing Businesses' and the Certificate / Short courses for Food Handlers and for Food Handling Enterprise Owners were launched jointly by PTB (National Metrology Institute, Germany) and University of Vavuniya on 8th December 2023. The manual was developed in the framework of "Strengthening Quality Infrastructure in Sri Lanka", a bilateral cooperation project between the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Federal Republic of Germany. Certificate / Short courses will be offered by the Department of Bio-science, Faculty of Applied Science through Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE), University of Vavuniya.



# INDUSTRY COLLABORATION

## INDUSTRY

### MOU SIGNING WITH FOUNDATION OF GOODNESS FOR UNIVERSITY GROUND DEVELOPMENT

The MOU signing event between the University of Vavuniya and the Foundation of Goodness was held on 16th August 2023, at the IT Center Board Room for developing the sports facilities at the University of Vavuniya. Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor, and Mr. Kushil Gunasekera, Founder, Foundation of Goodness, signed and exchanged the legal documents in front of all the guests and staff of the University of Vavuniya.



## INDUSTRY

### VISIT OF PROF. ANKURAN DUTTA ON 24.08.23

Prof. Ankuran Dutta, Director, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, High Commission of India, Colombo visited University of Vavuniya on 24th August 2023. Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice-Chancellor, Mr. S. S. Suthaharan, Director, Cultural Centre, Dr. M. Malaravan, Council Member, Deans of the Faculties, Registrar, Bursar, and Heads of Departments were present in the event. A fruitful discussion was taken place with Prof. Ankuran Dutta regarding the progression and future cultural development of the University of Vavuniya.



## INDUSTRY

### VISIT OF THE DELEGATES FROM CHUVASH STATE PEDAGOGICAL UNIVERSITY

The Cultural Centre of the University of Vavuniya organized an Inauguration Ceremony of the Russian language course on 21st September 2023 in the University of Vavuniya. Prof.T.Mangaleswaran, Vice-Chancellor, University of Vavuniya, Prof.Elena Khrisanova, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Ms.Svetlana Ilina, Chuvash State Pedagogical University, Mr.S.S.Suthaharan, Director, Cultural Centre, Deans of Faculties, Registrar, Bursar, Librarian, Heads of Departments, staff and students of the university were present on the occasion.

## INDUSTRY

### VISIT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN HIGH COMMISSIONER

His Excellency Mr. Sandile Edwin Schalk, the South African High Commissioner visited the University of Vavuniya on 14-12- 2023 and discussed collaborating with the South African High Commission for University Development.



# SPORTS



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### PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIT 2ND ANNIVERSARY CHESS TOURNAMENT

The second Anniversary Chess Tournament was held on 01st August 2023 at the University of Vavuniya to celebrate the 2nd Anniversary of the University of Vavuniya. The tournament was conducted for Vavuniya District School children. There were 339 students from different schools participated in this tournament and received their certificates for participation. The awarding ceremony for the chess tournament was held on 06th September 2023, at the Smart Classroom, Faculty of Technological Studies. The University of Vavuniya awarded trophies and certificates to the Champions, 1st Runner-up, and 2nd Runner-up in all 16 participated categories.

## SPORTS

### THE JAFFNA INTERNATIONAL RATING CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

The Jaffna International Rating Chess Championship was held from 8th to 12th December 2023, at Chelva Palace, Kokuvil, Jaffna. The Sri Lankan Chess Federation and the Jaffna District Chess Association worked together to organize it. Nine students from the University of Vavuniya represented and won places in two categories. The University of Vavuniya team placed first runner up in the Higher Education Sector (Over 18 Years) category.

## SPORTS

### UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL 2023, RUSSIA

Our university Badminton (men & women), Basketball (women), Table Tennis (men & women), and Volleyball (men & women) teams participated in the University International Sports Festival 2023 in Ekaterinburg, Russia, from 18th to 31st August 2023. There were 41 students and 4 officials who participated in this sports festival. This is the first time a larger number of students from one University participated in the international tournament in Sri Lankan University history.



## SPORTS

### SRI LANKA UNIVERSITY GAMES -2023

The XIV Sri Lanka University Games - 2023 started on 08th July 2023 and the closing ceremony was held on 08th September 2023. This year, the Sri Lanka University Games 2023 were hosted by Eastern University, Sri Lanka. Our University's Badminton (men & women), Beach Volleyball (men), Carrom (men & women), Chess (men & women), Cricket (men), Elle (men), Football (men), Karate (men & women), Rugby (men), Swimming (men), Table Tennis (men & women), Track & Field (men & women), and Weightlifting (men) teams participated and showed their talents. Our University students got two Gold medals and two Bronze medals for the University of Vavuniya.

Mr. W.C.J.O. Fernando was awarded a Gold Medal for Javelin throw. Mr. S. D. Mendis was awarded a Gold Medal for Karate. Mr. S. Midun was awarded a Bronze Medal for Weight Lifting. Ms. M. Tharsayani was awarded a Bronze Medal for Karate.



# STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS

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### GOLD MEDALS

Gold Medal was awarded to Mr. Mohamed Safeer Ahamed Nushar, who obtained FGPA of 3.92 in Business Management in the Award of Degree Bachelor of Business Management Honours in Accounting and Finance - 2020. Accordingly, the Award of William Jesuthasan Soosairatnam Gold Medal was awarded to him.



Gold Medal was awarded to Ms. Wewaldeni Arachchige Nimesha Sandamini, who got highest aggregate points of 86.71 out of 100 in Bachelor of Business Management Examination - 2020. Accordingly, the Award of Dr. Nagalingam Balakrishnan Gold Medal was awarded to her.

Gold Medal was awarded to Ms. Weeramuni Lukshi Naveena Shiwangi Alwis, who obtained FGPA of 3.84 in Environmental Science in the Award of Degree Bachelor of Science Honours in Environmental Science / Bachelor of Science (Environmental Science) - 2020. Accordingly, the Award of Late Mrs. Puvaneswary Loganathan Gold Medal was awarded to her.



# PROGRESS OF INFRASTRUCTURE

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE VAVUNIYA TOASTMASTERS CLUB AND GAVEL CLUB



Inauguration Ceremony of the Vavuniya Toastmasters Club and Gavel Club of University of Vavuniya organized

by Career Guidance Unit and Staff Development Centre was held on 12th July 2023. Both Toastmasters Club and Gavel Club are excellent places for individuals to enhance their communication skills, overcome the fear of public speaking, and gain valuable leadership experience. These clubs provide a friendly and supportive atmosphere where members can learn and grow together, regardless of their starting skill level.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### INAUGURATION OF GROUND DEVELOPMENT WORK BY FOUNDATION OF GOODNESS



The Foundation of Goodness inaugurated their work on 28th August 2023, at the Gym, University of Vavuniya. Foundation of Goodness started their work in the gym.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### OPENING CEREMONY OF CULTURAL CENTRE

The Cultural Centre of the University of Vavuniya organized an opening ceremony of the Cultural Centre in the Second floor of the library on 06th September 2023. The celebration was associated with the 2nd anniversary of the University of Vavuniya in the Lecture Hall of the Faculty of Technological Studies. Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice-Chancellor, Shri Raakesh Natraj, Honorable Consul General of India, Jaffna, Shri V. Ram Mahesh, Honorable Head of Chancery and Commercial Representative Mr. S. S. Suthaharan, Director, Cultural Centre, Deans of Faculties, Registrar, Bursar, Librarian, Heads of Departments, all staff of the university were present in the occasion. To remark the Second anniversary of the University, schools' students were invited from various schools for the awarding ceremony of the Chess competition conducted by the University of Vavuniya.



The first bi-annual newsletter of University of Vavuniya was launched on 06th September 2023 in the second anniversary celebration of University of Vavuniya at the Faculty of Technological Studies, University of Vavuniya. The first copy of the Newsletter was handed over by Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice-Chancellor to Shri Raakesh Natraj, Honorable Consul General of India, Jaffna with the presence of Mr. S. Shanmugathan,





## INFRASTRUCTURE

### UNIVERSITY OF VAVUNIYA BADMINTON AND BASKETBALL COURTS OPENING CEREMONY

The new Basketball Court and renovated Badminton Courts for the University of Vavuniya were inaugurated on 31st October 2023. The Chief Guest was Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor, University of Vavuniya, the Guests of Honor, Mr. Kushil Gunasekara, Founder and Chief Trustee of the Foundation of Goodness, and Dr. Malathi Waran, Director of Vanni Hope, who inaugurated the renovated Badminton courts, which were fully sponsored by the Vanni Hope Foundation and facilitated by the Foundation of Goodness.

Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor, University of Vavuniya and Mr. Kushil Gunasekara, Founder and Chief Trustee of the Foundation of Goodness officially opened the Basketball Court with the presence of Mr. Tharindu Fernando, Coach of the Sri Lankan Basketball Team, and Ms. Epciba Washington Clay, the Sri Lankan Basketball Team Member.



## INFRASTRUCTURE

### THE GYM OPENING

The Foundation of Goodness renovated the Gym of the University of Vavuniya with new equipment sponsored by Vanni Hope and Mr. Pradeep Karunakaran. The Chief Guest, Prof. T. Mangaleswaran, Vice Chancellor, University of Vavuniya, and the Guests of Honor, Mr. Kushil Gunasekera, Founder and Chief Trustee of Foundation of Goodness, together inaugurated the Gym on 20th September 2023, at 10.30 a.m. for the use of the University Students and Staff.



## INFRASTRUCTURE

### NEW OFFICE SPACES FOR CENTRES

The second floor of the University Library building is reserved for functioning of the Centres such as Centre for Quality Assurance, Cultural Centre, University Business Linkage, Teachers' Union, Students' Union, Employees' Union and Lecture Halls for students.



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