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#### **President's Message**

It is with great pride and accomplishment that I present to you the annual report for the year 2017/18. The Sri Lanka Library Association's 58<sup>th</sup> year legacy has delivered amazing achievements for the nationwide LIS communities we serve in Sri Lanka. This report highlights many notable achievements in selected areas over the past year and the support that helps make such achievements possible. I am proud to celebrate these achievements and continued progress in the pursuit of improved programs of the Association.

2017/18 marked an incredibly active year for SLLA. In addition to the many accomplishments featured in this report, we are proud to highlight some important additional activities and initiatives

Wide range of Study center Visits made by the office bearers to identify the problems faced by the students and lecturers with regard to infra-structure facilities and teaching and learning activities, extensive revision of DIPLIS syllabus by education committee to match with SLQF structure to be ready for implementation from 2019, successful implementation of the number of projects under the strategic plan which serves as a detailed road map for our organization, marking the impacts we anticipate at a high level achieving in the coming years, Establishments of SLLA Corners for each study centers to fulfill the reference needs of the SLLA students are some of them. Streamlining the grievance of staff in office management is another remarkable achievement during this year span. After a long time SLLA extended its workshops and seminar to Northern Province.

I hope you will gain insight into the breadth and depth of our activities while reading the report. As the President of SLLA, I pledge to continue the quest for greater support, better programs, and enhanced capacity on behalf of every member of the society. The accomplishments over the past year and the work ahead depend on the ongoing commitment, dedication, support and contributions of our Council, Ex-Co and the staff. I am immensely grateful to those individuals whose energy and support sustain us. I hope that in the coming year we can promote a greater awareness of this Association and encourage more members to join with us.

Thank you and I look forward to another amazing year at SLLA.

Mrs. S. Arulanantham President

#### **General Secretary's Report**

I am honoured to be the General Secretary of the Sri Lanka Library Association (SLLA) for the year 2017/2018 and happy to present the Annual Report and Audited Accounts for the period under review.

The presentation of the Annual Report conveys in-depth information to the membership of the activities performed by the Association during the year under review.

Events such as the National Conference on Library and Information Science (NACLIS) and a few workshops have been conducted by the Professional Groups and Regular Committees.

The Fourth program of the second phase of IFLA Programe on Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA) project was successfully held in the Central Province with the participation of 37 participants.

A very successful year has passed with the Education programme being the major activity of SLLA carried out during the year. President and a few Council Members visited the Study Centers viz. Colombo, Galle, Kandy, Jaffna and Batticaloa.

Cost of Living allowances approved for the Government Servants under the Public Administration Circulars were paid to SLLA Staff but the EPF and ETF on these allowances was not paid as required for the years 2000-2013 June. This anomaly was sorted this year and the arrears were paid.

On behalf of the members of the SLLA I would like to take this opportunity to express our deep sorrow on the demise of our Secretary of the Election Committee, Mr Kasipillai Manikavasagar who rendered a great service to the SLLA by performing his duties especially being the Secretary of the Elections Committee and also conducting the SLLA Elections at the AGMs for a number of decades. He has been instrumental in commencing the DIPLIS Programme in Jaffna too. I must mention here that he was a regular visitor to the SLLA Office. His invaluable service is highly appreciated by the council and the entire membership. His demise is a great loss for the Association.

Finally, I would like to thank the President, and all the members of the Council, the Executive Committee and the members of the professional groups, committees, Centre Co-ordinators and lecturers of the education programme and the membership for their support rendered throughout the year.

I extend my sincere gratitude and thanks to Ms. Shanthi de Alwis, our former Administrative Secretary, and the staff of the SLLA for their support at all times not forgetting the newly appointed Administrative Secretary.

Lilamani Amerasekera General Secretary

#### Treasurer's Report 2017/2018

Carter De Costa & Co, Chartered Accountants, continued to serve as the SLLA's Auditors for the year 2017/2018. They have done a comprehensive audit and have reviewed all the necessary documents. The Statement of the Auditors is attached as annexure V.

The net income for the year was Rs 3,326,484/ compared with Rs 4,349,075 for the last financial year. There is a decrease of 23 %.

The income from the course fees and examination fees was Rs 8,388,665/= compared with Rs 9,737,100/= for the last financial year. There is a decrease of 14%.

The other income for the year was Rs 3,316,484/= compared with Rs 1,918,001/= for the last financial year. There is an increase of 89 %. The increase is due to higher interest rates on Fixed Deposits during the Financial year and also due to an interest income of Rs 737,088/= from a Fixed deposit of Rs 5 M which was placed for 2 years in October 2015 taken in to current years income.

The surplus generated from workshops conducted by SLLA has brought an income of Rs 150,127/= as against Rs 170,279/= of the last financial year.

The direct expenses for the year was Rs 2,943,999/= compared with Rs 2,846,466/=. There is an increase of 3%.

The administration expense for the year is Rs 6,561,124/= compared with Rs 4,922,571/= for the last year. There is an increase of 33%. The administration expense include an additional figure of Rs 1,025,398/= in respect of EPF and Rs 153,809/= in respect of ETF which were paid to settle the dues on Cost of Living allowances. This includes a surcharge amounting to Rs. 392,000.

The Fixed Deposits at the end of the Financial year was Rs 35,328,146/= compared with Rs 30,546,509/= for the last year. A new Fixed deposit of Rs 1,500,000/= was placed with Bank of Ceylon.

The cash and cash equivalent at the end of the year was Rs 6,562,112/= compared with Rs 8,879,728/= last year.

An amount of Rs 619,145/= was incurred on purchase of Fixed assets.

Anton Nallathamby Treasurer

#### 1.0 Council - 2017/2018

Mrs. S. Arulanantham President

Immediate Past President

Mrs. S. Arulanantnam Dr. (Mrs.) Pradeepa Wijetunge Dr (Mrs) N D Wijayasundara Ms Lilamani Amerasekara Dr R C G Gamage Mr Anton D Nallathamby Mrs K R N Harshani Mrs I M Katipearachchi Mr K G S Gunathilake Ms K N Samanthi -President Elect General Secretary Vice President Treasurer

**Education Officer** 

Assistant General Secretary Assistant Education Officer Information & Public Relations

Officer

Mrs. K P N D Peiris **Publications Officer** Dr Mrs Wathmanel Seneviratne -Nominated Member Mr P B Gallaba Nominated Member

#### Professional Group Conveners - 2017/2018

Academic Libraries Group Government Library Group

**NACLIS** Group

DI IVIS C N K Alahakoon Ms Urika Munasinghe Dr Mrs N D Wijayasundara Mr Upali Amarasiri Mrs Varuni Gagabadaarachchi Mrs Yamuna Geeganagamage Ms Savithri Weerakoon -National Library Group Public Library Group School Library Group Special Library Group

#### Executive Committee - 2017/2018

Mrs. S. Arulanantham President

Immediate Past President

President Elect General Secretary Vice President Treasurer

**Education Officer** Mrs K R N Harshani

Mrs I M Katipearachchi Assistant General Secretary Mr K G S Gunathilake Assistant Education Officer Ms K N Samanthi Information & Public Relations

Officer

Mrs. K P N D Peiris **Publications Officer** Mrs Dilmani Warnasuriya Mrs Shivanthi Weerasinghe -Nominated Member Nominated Member

#### 2.0 Membership

The total membership of the SLLA is 450 which includes Corporate, Non Corporate and Fellow Members.

#### 2.1 Life Memberships Awarded

Four senior corporate members were awarded Life membership for the year 2017/2018.

#### 2.2 Fellowship by Achievement (FbA) Awarded

Two senior members will be awarded the Fellowship by Achievement in 2017/2018.

#### 2.3 Corporate Memberships Awarded

Fifteen Corporate Memberships were awarded in 2017/2018.

#### 2.4 Non Corporate Membership

Thirty one Non Corporate memberships were awarded in 2017/2018

#### 3.0 Council/Ex-Co Meetings

For the year 2017/18 the Council and the Executive Committee of the SLLA had 7 and 6 regular meetings respectively.

#### 4.0 SLLA Activities

#### 4.1 SLLA Education Programme

Revision of the Level 1 of the DIPLIS syllabus has been completed according to the Sri Lanka Qualification Framework (SLQF), keeping up to the required credit levels, incorporating former subject areas and new fields of study. Level 2 and 3 will be completed within next year. The syllabus revision expects to provide the librarians knowledge and necessary competency level to upgrade their professional qualifications and to establish accredited certification for the SLLA diplomats.

#### 4.1.1 Diploma in Library & Information Science (DIPLIS)

The flagship professional DIPLIS course, conducted by the SLLA over the years was conducted successfully during the year under review.

The DIPLIS Course is conducted mostly in Sinhala and Tamil mediums in five education centres viz. Colombo (Sinhala and Tamil) Kandy (S), Galle (S), Jaffna and Batticaloa (T). The professional qualifications offered by the SLLA are recognised by public and private sector institutions when recruiting and promoting library personnel of libraries and information centres in and around Sri Lanka.

#### 4.1.1.1 DIPLIS Level I (2017/18)

Revision seminars for DIPLIS Level I (2017), was held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at the National Library and Documentation Services Board. The examination was held at the Lumbini College, Colombo 5 on 24<sup>th</sup>& 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

#### 4.1.1.2 DIPLIS Level II (2017/187)

Revision Seminar for DIPLIS Level II was conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and the examination was held on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

#### 4.1.1.3 DIPLIS Level III (2016/17)

DIPLIS Level III examination was held on the  $9^{th}$  &  $11^{th}$  of October, 2018.

## 4.1.1.4 New registrations and commencement of courses for DIPLIS 2018

The inauguration ceremonies of DIPLIS Level I 2018 were held in Badulla, Batticaloa, Colombo, Gallle and Jaffna on the 24<sup>th</sup> March and Lectures commenced on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

## 4.1.2 Distance Education Programme in Library & Information Science

This year there are around 76 registered students to follow Level I of the Distance Education Programme. This is specially convenient for those who are employed and also housewives who are unable to attend classroom lectures but are interested in becoming library professionals.

#### 4.1.3 BA in Library & Information Science (Honours)

SLLA proudly announce that the long awaited degree programme of the Open University of Sri Lanka called for applications for commencement in April this year. This was especially catered to the SLLA students who wish to complete two levels (Levels 5 and 6) which is 60 credit hours. Those who successfully complete the programme will be awarded the Bachelor of Arts Honors in Library and Information Studies by the OUSL.

#### 4.2 Vijita de Silva Research Award

Two applications were received for the above award for the year 2017/2018. The applicants are Mr G R Padmasiri for the research titled "Management of Indigenous Knowledge in Sri Lanka, with Special reference to indigenous medicine" and Dr. Mrs Nayana Wijayasundara for the research titled "Library Space Planning Framework of University of Sri Jayewardanapura". After scrutinizing the applications and the research projects, the award committee interviewed the applicants. Considering the high quality of both research projects, award committee recommended that the 2017/18 Vijita de Silva Research Award to be awarded to the both applicants jointly. The SLLA Council at its May 2018 meeting approved the recommendation.

#### 4.3 Other Activities

The Social Affairs Committee (SAC) of the SLLA organized the annual SLLA Trip to Kumari Water Falls in Avissawella on the 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. Twenty Eight members participated.

#### 5.0 SLLA Collaborations with other Institutions and Organizations

5.1 As in the previous years, SLLA worked in collaboration with the other key LIS institutions, through its representations. President served as an ex-officio member in the Boards of Management of the National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) and the National Institute of Library and Information Science (NILIS), University of Colombo.

Mr. P.B. Gallaba, Council Member represented President in the Provincial Library Board of Uva Province and Dr Ms Champa Alahakoon represented President in Provincial Library Boards of the Central Province.

#### 5.2 Organization of Professional Associations (OPA)

The SLLA is a founder member of the Organization of Professional Associations (OPA) of Sri Lanka, which was established in 1975. Ms

Shivanthi Weerasinghe represents the Association in its Executive Council with Dr Ms Pradeepa Wijetunge and Mr Anton Nallathamby represents the Association as Forum Members.

#### 6.0 International Projects/Participation

#### 6.1 IFLA Program on Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA)

The Fourth program of the second phase of the above project was successfully held in the Central Province of Sri Lanka by the Sri Lanka Library Association (SLLA) under the patronage of IFLA-Building Strong Library Associations (BSLA) programme on Promotion of Professional Conduct and Ethics among Library and Information Science Professionals in Sri Lanka. It was held as a collaborative programme between the Central Province Provincial Council, Wattegama Urban Council (WUC) and the SLLA.

It brought 35 LIS professionals from the Public Library sector, comprising Public Librarians from Municipal Councils, Urban Councils, and Divisional Councils in the Central Province. Additionally two Community Development Officers from the Province (representing the entire province and the Kandy district) participated to further discuss any issues with regard to Professionals Ethics. It was a very good opportunity for all the participants to be actively engaged in this highly relevant and required workshop. Selection of participants was done by the WUC together with the SLLA Coordinator, Mr.P.B.Gallaba. Participants were from the Central Province covering areas of Kandy, Matale and Nuwara Eliya Districts.

Resource persons were identified from the group of Librarians trained as Trainers at the Training of Trainers (TOT) held in March 2016.

#### 6.2 IFLA Global vision workshop: Asia and Oceania

The two-day IFLA Global Vision workshop: Asia and Oceania was held in National library of Vietnam in Hanoi, Vietnam on May 24-25 2018. The aim of the workshop was to bring together library leaders from different parts of Asia and Oceania and create an open and welcoming environment to hear their ideas for actions. Mrs S Arulanantham, President of Sri Lanka library Association participated in this workshop. 32 participants from different countries attended in this workshop. The most important key finding from the global vision discussion is the discovery that we are globally united in our goals.

- 7.0 Reports of Regular Committees & Professional Groups
  - 7.1 Appointments & Resignations of Conveners & Co-ordinators
    - 7.1.1 Mr Anton Nallathamby resigned as Convener and a member of the Fund Raising Committee a project launched under the Strategic Plan and Mrs Shivanthi Weerasinghe was appointed for the position. Dr. Ms Pradeepa Wijetunge too resigned from the Fund Raising Committee.
    - 7.1.2 Dr Ms Pradeepa Wijetunga resigned from the FbA Committee and Mrs Dilmani Warnasuriya was appointed in her place.

#### 7.2 Education Committee

7.2.1 Report on the Education Committee

With the leadership of the Education Officer, Ms K R N Harshani, Education Committee, Centre Co-ordinators and the Teaching Faculty together with the SLLA Office Staff contributed to the success of the SLLA Education programmes.

7.2.3 The Present Centre Co-ordinators comprise of

Badulla - Mr. T.G. Padmasiri ; Batticaloa - Mr. M.N. Ravikumar ; Colombo - Mr. J.P.C. Wedasinghe ; Galle - Ms H K Pathma ; Jaffna - Mrs. Potselvi Sriranjan and Kandy – Mr Lionel Kumarasiri.

7.2.4 Open Day for DIPLIS Programme

SLLA Open Day programme was held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at the Seminar Room of Sri Lanka Library Association. Students who participated in the event along with their parents received a good briefing on the DIPLIS programme. Dr (Mrs.) Nayana Wijayasundara (President Elect.) Ms. Lilamani Amarasekera (General Secretary) Mrs. K R N Harshani (Education Officer), Mr. Sugath Gunathilake (Assistant Education Officer) and Ms K N Samanthi (Information & Public Relation Officer) represented SLLA.

Ms Wathsala Kodithuwakku and Ms, K.N.Samanthi shared their career path and experience with the participants. Interviews were held to enrolstudents for the 2018 academic year on the same day.

7.2.5 Revision Seminar for Open / Limited Competitive Examination for the Recruitment of Government Librarians (Grade III) 2017

Sri Lanka Library Association organized a two day revision seminar co-ordinated by the Education Officer for "Open/Limited Competitive Examination for the Recruitment of Government Librarians (Grade III) 2017" on 18th and 19th November 2017, at the National Library and Documentation Board. The Seminar covered four main themes, Libraries

and Librarianship, Organization of Information & Knowledge, Information Communication Technology and Library Resources and Information Services. Mr. Ananda Tissa, Mr.G.R. Padmasiri, Dr. Ruwan Gamage and Mr. Uditha Alahakon served as resource persons at the seminar.

#### 7.2.6 Study Centre Visits

President Mrs S Arulanantham and the Education Officer Ms K R N Harshani paid visits to the following DIPLIS Study Centers to meet the students and the faculty.

Kandy - 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2017
Colombo - 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2017
Batticaloa - 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2018
Galle - 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2018
Jaffna - 1st April, 2018

Main objective of these visits were to identify the problems faced by the students and the teaching faculty such as infrastructure facilities, teaching and learning activities. Discussions with students and teachers were held separately with active participation by both groups. Valuable feedback was obtained both from Faculty and Students.

#### 7.2.7 SLLA Corners close to Study Centers

Ceremonial inauguration of the first SLLA Corner took place at the Colombo Public Library on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.

Support by the Librarian, Public Library, Colombo with addditional space and resources is appreciated.

President of the SLLA has donated a collection of Tamil Library Science Material to Badulla, Batticaloa, Colombo and Jaffna Center Libraries and the SLLA Library the cost of which is around Rs. 100,000.

7.2.8 Total registration for DIPLIS Level 1 - 2018/2019

Centre	Sinhala Medium	Tamil Medium	English Medium	Total
Colombo	34	10	-	44
Kandy	35	-	-	35
Galle	12	-	-	12
Badulla	13	-	-	13
Batticaloa	-	28	-	28
Jaffna	-	22	-	22
Distance Course	77	-	-	77
Total	171	60	-	231

#### 7.2.9Total registration for DIPLIS Level II - 2017/2018

Centre	Sinhala Medium	Tamil Medium	English Medium	Total
Colombo	15	-	-	15
Kandy	15	-	-	15
Galle	12	ı	-	12
Badulla	10	-	-	10
Batticaloa	13	-	-	13
Jaffna	21	-	-	21
Distance Course	29	-	-	29
Total	115	-	-	115

#### 7.2.10 Total registration for DIPLIS Level III - 2017/2018

Centre	Sinhala	Tamil	English	Total
	Medium	Medium	Medium	
Colombo	41	-		-
Batticaloa	-	-		10
Jaffna	1	-		14
Distance Course	25	-		-
Total	66	-		24

Exam	No. of Candidates			No. c	of Succe	ssful
				Ca	andidate	es
Colombo	Sinhala	Tamil	English	Sinhala	Tamil	English
Level I - 2017/2018	144	43	03	133	18	03
Level II -	140	18	-	108	11	-

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#### 7.2.11 Examination Results

#### 7.2.12Study Tour

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Level III

Students of DIPLIS Level I from the Kandy Center visited libraries in the Colombo District viz. the National Library and the Colombo University Library , on a study tour with the guidance of the staff of the SLLA and Center Co-ordinator.

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## 7.2.13In Service Training for DIPLIS Level I Students by the SLLA

In Service Training for DIPLIS Level I Students by the SLLA Students of DIPLIS Level I were sent to the following libraries for the purpose of practical training for two weeks.

- Universities of Colombo, Eastern, Peradeniya, Ruhuna & Sri Jayawardenepura
- Public Libraries Badulla, Colombo, Jaffna, Galle, and Kandy.
- Uva Provincial Library Services Board
- National Library Services Board
- Industrial Technology Institute
- Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute
- Rubber Research Institute

The Sri Lanka Library Association acknowledges the contribution of the Librarians and the Staff of the above libraries for the support extended to the students of the SLLA.

7.2.14Srikanthaluxumy Arulanantham Award for the overall best performance in Diploma in Library and Information Sciences

With the vision to encourage the DIPLIS students, SLLA President 2017/2018 has decided to give an award to the student with the best performance at the Diploma in LIS conducted by Sri Lanka Library Association with highest aggregate in all three levels of the DIPLIS Programme. The award will be given to sinhala and Tamil medium student to encourage the mother tongue based education. She intends giving Rs,5,000 to each student. This money will be the annual interest earned from a Fixed Deposit of Rs. 200,000 which she intends depositing under the SLLA Account. A sum of Rs. 10,000 will be provided to initiate this award this year.

# 7.2.15 SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/17 and 2017/18

#### S.C. Blok Memorial Scholarships

Diploma in Library and Information Science Level I - 2017/2018

Sinhala Medium - Ms M Shamila

English Medium - Ms D R Bamunuarachchi

Tamil Medium - Ms K Tharsana

Diploma in Library and Information Science Level II - 2016 /2017

Sinhala Medium - Ms W A D T Wijesinghe

Tamil Medium - Not Awarded

S Arulanantham Award for Best Performance - 2017/2018

Sinhala Medium - Panditharathna Mudiyanselage Chamarika Eradi

Pathiraja

Tamil Medium - Not Awarded

Gold Medal for Best Achievement

Diploma in Library and Information Science Level III - 2016/2017

(Final Examination)



Panditharathna Mudiyanselage Chamarika Eradi Pathiraja

#### 7.3 IT Committee

- 7.4.1 On the recommendation of the IT Committee, SLLA Office network was re done
- 7.4.1 SLLA Council extended the services of Mr N. Ravikumar as Web Master for the year on the recommendation of the IT Committee.

#### 7.4 Office Management Committee

- 7.4.1 Four meetings were held by the Office Management Committee during the year under review.
- 7.4.2 Many changes were done to the leave system on the recommendation of the Employer's Federation of Ceylon.
- 7.4.3 Cost of Living allowances approved for the Government Servants under the Public Administration Circulars was paid to SLLA Staff but the EPF and ETF on these allowances was not paid as required for the years 2000-2013 June. This anomaly was sorted this year and the arrears were paid.

#### 7.4.4 The SLLA Library

The library of the SLLA which is housed at the premises of the National Library is opened for DIPLIS students on two days a week (i.e. on Thursdays and Saturdays) from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

On days when the library is closed the Librarian supports students from the SLLA Office in carrying out their relevant projects.

#### 7.5 Public Libraries Group

**7.5.1** Public Library Group of Sri Lanka Library Association with the assistance of Open University of Sri Lanka organized a Knowledge Sharing and Networking workshop with 30 Public Libraries on the 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. The event was sponsored by the Colombo Municipal Council. Seventy Five librarians and other relevant officers participated at the session. Mr. Darshana Bandara, Director Planning , Mr. Sunil Ananda, Assistant Director of the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government, Ms. S. Arulanantham , President, SLLA, Dr. (Ms) W. Senevirathne , Librarian , OUSL, Ms. Lilamani Amarasekara, General Secretary of SLLA, participated as invited quests.

- **7.5.2** Sri Lanka Library Association in collaboration with the University of Jaffna conducted a Workshop on Library Automation for Public Librarians in the Northern Province on 14th May, 2018. The workshop has been coordinated by Mr. S Ketheeswaren, Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Jaffna. 36 participants from the public libraries functioning under purview of Department of Local Government, Northern Province have The Chief Guest for the participated to the programmme. workshop was Professor R. Vigneswaren, the Vice-Chancellor, University of Jaffna and Dr. N. Suthakar, Dean / Faculty of Arts. Other guests were Mr. S. Subramaniyam, Community Development Officer / Department of Local Government, Northern Province participated as invited guests. Ms S Arulanantham the President / Sri Lanka Library Association delivered introductory address
- 7.5.3 Public Library group has undertaken two projects from the SLLA Strategic Plan. (a). Formulation of Common Service Minutes for Public Libraries and (b). Formulation of Collection Development Policy for Public Libraries. Both projects have been largely completed and published on the SLLA web for comments.

#### 7.6 School Libraries Group

- 7.6.1 Sri Lanka Library Association successfully organized a Workshop on "Library Automation for Teacher Librarians" at the Mahindodaya Technological Laboratory, Jaffna/Kondavil Hindu College on 15th March, 2018. The workshop was sponsored by the Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province and coordinated by Mr. S Ketheeswaren, Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Jaffna. There was a total of 45 participants from the school libraries functioning under the purview of the Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province at the programme. Mr. K. Selvan, Assistant Director of Education, Department of Education, Northern Province, Arulanantham President / Sri Lanka Library Association graced the event as guests. The Introductory speech was delivered by Ms. S. Arulanantham, Librarian, University of Jaffna. Mr. S. Ketheeswaren Senior Assistant Librarian, University of Jaffna and Mr. R. Kupeshan and Mrs. T. Jenan, Assistant Librarians, University of Jaffna served as resource persons.
- 7.6.2 The School Library Group of SLLA in collaboration with the National Library & Documentation Services Board conducted a half day's workshop on Introducing of New Technology for School Libraries on the 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.

- 7.6.3 Sri Lanka Library Association successfully organized a Workshop on "Library Automation for Teacher Librarians in the Northern Province in collaboration with the Library of University of Jaffna on 15th May, 2018. This was sponsored by Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province. participants from the school libraries in the Vanni regions functioning under purview of Provincial Department of Education, Northern Province have participated to the programmme. The Chief Guest for the workshop was Professor R. Vigneswaren, the Vice-Chancellor / University of Jaffna and Professor Prince Jeyadevan, Dean / Faculty of Science. Other guests were Mr. K. Selvan, the Assistant Director of Education, Department of Education, Northern Province participated as invited guests. The Introductory speech was delivered by Ms. S. Arulanantham, President/SLLA.
- 7.6.4 The group has assisted the previous School Library group with the two projects related to the SLLA Strategic Plan, namely 'Formulation of School Library Standards' and 'Conducting CPD seminars'.
- 7.7 Government Libraries Group
  The Government Libraries Group of SLLA had four regular meetings
- 7.8 National Library Group
  - 7.8.1 Group Meetings: The NL group conducted two meetings during the year on 21.12.2017 and 26.04.2018 at the National Library by end of April 2018. Another meeting has been planned before the end of the Academic year. In addition regular consultations were conducted among the group members via e-mail and other medium.

Projects under the Strategic Plan: The main contribution of the National Library group is the initiation of 3 projects related to the NLDSB and the National Library of Sri Lanka under the SLLA Strategic Plan. The projects are (a) Revision of NLDSB Act, (b) Formulation of Standards for the National Library of Sri Lanka and (c) Identifying best practices of National Libraries. The SLLA Council approved the project proposal at the end of 2017. The progress of the projects is as follows.

Revision of the NLDSAB Act: The group has identified a number of areas which need improvement and also to be strengthened in the present NLDSB Act. In addition it perused a number of National Library Acts in other countries and research literature on the subject to identify the new features

to be introduced to the NLDSB Act. About 80% of the project has been completed at present.

Formulation of Standards for the National Library of Sri Lanka: The group has developed a criterion for formulation of National Library standards after consulting the research literature and the activities of the leading National Libraries. About 50% of the project has been completed.

Identifying best practices of NLs: The group is in the process of identifying best practices of leading National Libraries and has already identified a fair amount of best practices. The project will be completed soon.

Refurbishing of the National Library building: NLDSB launched the refurbishment projects in February 2018. The Rs 250 million project is expected to be completed within a year. Although there are no public documents available on the project, senior officials of the NLDSB recently explained the details of the project at a public meeting. While congratulating the NLDSB for initiating the commendable project, the members of the National Library group expressed their concerns on certain areas of the project, e.g. the proposed open stack system instead of the closed access system practiced so far at the National Library, the security of the valuable library material during the period of refurbishment, the possible increase of electricity consumption and the cost as a result of air conditioning the entire building.

#### 7.9 Academic Library Group

- 7.9.1 A One day workshop on "Abstract and Article Reviewing" was organised by the Academic Library Group on 30<sup>th</sup>
  November 2017. Emeritus Professor. Jayadewa Uyangoda,
  Department of Political Science, University of Colombo and Dr.
  (Mrs.) P. Wijetunge Librarian, University of Colombo served as the resource personsof the workshop. Twenty five librarians representing eleven universities attended the workshop.
- 7.9.2 The group has undertaken a project from the Strategic Plan, 'Conducting CPD needs assessment with special emphasis on academic and Special Library groups'. The project is progressing well.

#### 7.10 NACLIS 2018

The 14<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Library & Information Science – 2018 will be held at the Grand Oriental Hotel in Colombo on the 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 the day prior to the Annual General Meeting of SLLA. The

theme of NACLIS will be **"Make it happen: Transformation** of Library Services for Next Generation" Social Impact of Librarianship: Scholarship towards sustainable development goals".

#### 7.11 Publications Committee

Volume 34, Nos. 1 to 3 issues of the SLLA Quarterly Newsletter were released in a timely manner. The latest issue of the Newsletter: Volume 34, Issue 4 of the Newsletter and Volume 31 of the Sri Lanka Library Review will be released at the AGM 2018.

At present, Publications Committee has taken the initiative to translate four important documents/reports from IFLA in to Sinhala and Tamil as its contribution to the SLLA Strategic Plan. This is no doubt a huge task which was successfully completed by the Publication Officer and the Committee. The project report and the respective translations have been uploaded to the SLLA Web.

#### 7.12 Information and Public Relations Group

The Information and Public Relations Group manages the external communications of the SLLA to ensure a strong, positive public image by bringing the SLLA to the notice of the public to understand, its initiatives.

Organized an interview at the "Sanhinda" Programme with the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation. President and President Elect Participated.

The SLLA Council advised to send the SLLA Newsletter (e-format) to all retired library professionals who rendered a yeoman service to SLLA and library profession in the country, who do not have the SLLA membership at present and to all members of Board of Management of NLDSB, NILIS, NSF, SCOLIS, ICTA, PLSBs and senior officials of the ministries of Education, Local Government, Higher Education and the relevant ministries of Provincial Councils who have close links with library services. This project will be commenced from the next year.

## 7.13 Committee of Monitoring and Assisting the Implementation of Strategic Plan (COMAISP)

The objective of Committee of Monitoring and Assisting in Implementation of the Strategic Plan (COMAISP) is to assist and

monitor the implementation of the projects related to the SLLA Strategic Plan.

7.13.1Meetings: By end of April 2018, COMAISP has held 2 meetings on 08.11.2017 and 06.03.2018 respectively. In addition numerous discussions have been conducted via e-mail and other medium among members of the COMAISP and between COMAISP and Conveners of the projects. A final evaluation seminar of the projects was held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

#### 7.13.2Projects

Projects of phase 1: 25 Projects commenced in the previous year (2016/17). These projects were approved in November 2016.

Projects of phase 2: During the year (2017/18), under phase 2 of the project, 16 new projects have been introduced. These projects were approved in November 2017 by SLLA Council on the recommendation of the COMAISP. These projects have been undertaken by National Library group (3 projects), Public Library group (2 projects) and CPD group (1 project). The rest of the projects were embarked on by four Special Committees. Those are Special Committee on Improving collaboration among LIS Educational Organizations (3 projects, Convener Mr. R D Anandatissa), Special Committee on Digital Library Environment (2 Projects, Convener Mrs Nadeeka Rathnabahu), Special Committee on Institute Libraries in Higher Education Sector (2 projects, Convener Mrs Sujeewa Ratnayake), and Special Committee on improving the bibliographic coverage of national publication output in Sri Lanka (1 project, Conveners Mrs Chandima Wadasinghe and Mrs D. Daniel), Special Committee on Fund Raising (1 Project, Convener, Mr Anton Nallathamby), and Special Committee on translating SLLA Educational Material (1 Project, Convener, Mrs K R Harshani).

Total number of projects initiated: 41.

Similar to the previous year this year too COMAISP worked hard with the Conveners of the groups/committees to identify the projects and develop the proposal and launch the projects.

The Fund Raising project was instigated by Dr Pradeepa Wijetunge, President (2016-17) and the project on translation of SLLA Educational material was initiated by the current President/SLLA, Ms. S. Arulanantham.

- 7.13.3 Projects discontinued/suspended: Upon reviewing the 25 projects of phase 1, the committee decided to remove 5 projects from its portfolio due to non performance. This brings the total of projects in Phase 1 to 20. In addition the proposed Fund Raising project of phase 2, did not take off the ground due to the resignation of the Convener of the Committee. COMAISP intends to renew the project next year with the new Convener.
- 7.13.4 Progress of the Projects: 20 Projects commenced in the previous year (2016/17) under phase 1 of the project continued successfully throughout the year. Most of these projects have achieved good progress, nine largely been completed, six projects having progressing satisfactorily and hopefully will be completed in a few months' time. Five projects have not shown any progress. The 15 projects of phase 2 are progressing in a satisfactory manner, with four projects being largely completed. These projects are expected to be completed during the course of next academic year. COMAISP appreciates very much the dedication and commitment shown by the conveners and committee members who are actively involved in (of) these projects.
- 7.13.5 Drawbacks: Though the overall dedication of the Conveners and group/committee members towards the projects is praiseworthy, it has also been noticed that the inexperience in managing projects, and the lack of enthusiasm of some Conveners and group members towards the entrusted tasks, dearth of leadership traits to undertake responsibilities and lack of empathy towards the fellow professionals and the LIS field as the major constraints at present. Hopefully this will gradually fade away with the realization of the vital importance of the exercise for the future of SLLA as well as for the wellbeing of the LIS profession in the country.
- 7.13.6 New Features introduced during the year

Expert Assistance for Projects: On the recommendations of the COMAISP, SLLA Council approved Expert Assistance for the ongoing projects of the Strategic Plan. Under the Expert Assistance programme project Conveners can obtain advisory/discussion sessions with identified experts in the field.

The purpose of the service is to review the progress of the project, help them to overcome the difficulties and assist the committee/group to complete the project. The SLLA will bear the expenses on honorarium for the experts, where necessary.

Appointing Mentors: On the initiative of COMAISP, SLLA Council appointed 'mentors' to assist some of the projects. The objective is to assist the Convener and the group/committee to complete the project with the advice of the mentor who is a senior professional with special knowledge and experience on the subject of the project. Although only a few mentors were appointed so far, COMAISP informed the Conveners that they can request the assistance of a mentor if the need arises.

- 7.13.7Keeping the SLLA membership informed: COMAISP has been very keen in keeping the SLLA membership informed on the progress of the projects related to the Strategic Plan for obvious reasons. All professional groups and Committee conveners have been requested to conduct group/committee meeting regularly and discuss the projects as well as the Strategic Plan as an agenda item. In addition COMAISP forwards regular updates of the project to the Publication Officer to be included in the Newsletter. We thank Mrs Padma Bandaranayaka for publishing her dialog with the project Conveners in the Newsletter which was very informative and widely appreciated. When the projects are completed they will be publicized in the SLLA website for the information and comments. Already 16 largely completed projects have been published on the SLLA web. Members are kindly requested to study the projects and submit their comments as indicated there. Those constructive comments will be used to improve the projects.
- 7.13.8 Next phase: The first phase of the implementation of the SLLA Strategic Plan which was commenced in July 2016 will be completed in June 2018. The SPSDC Report recommended that the first two year period of implementation be flexible without any structured implementation plan. Recently COMAISP evaluated the activities of the first 2 year period and recommended (to the Council) to extend the flexible implementation period for a further 2 year period, till June 2020. The main reasons for this are (a) The projects commenced in the 2 year period have not been completed yet making it difficult to evaluate the impact of the projects and (b) the popularity of flexible implementation among the professional groups and SLLA membership. approved the proposal and will be placed The Council it to the SLLA AGM as a resolution for approval.

SLLA intends to make good use of the results coming out of the projects for the benefit of all sectors of the LIS profession in the country and also to strengthen the SLLA as a professional forum. A considerable number of ongoing projects are related to

the major issues of different LIS sectors in the country, e.g. new legislations, model statutes, Library Standards, Common Service Minutes, Operational manuals, Guidelines, recommendations, policies and reports. SLLA with this valuable professional input at hand will be in a stronger position to carry out its mandate as a professional forum when interacting with relevant authorities. Hitherto though the SLLA agitated for improvements in many areas of the LIS field, it did not present its own professional solutions most of the times. Thanks to the implementation of the Strategic Plan situation has changed. In addition certain other projects are related to improve the quality and capacity of SLLA as a professional forum. Through the strengthening of the SLLA office, creation of digital archives at SLLA, , identifying the Term of Reference for professional groups, spelling out job description and responsibilities of office bearers, it is hoped to improve the effectiveness and productivity of SLLA as a professional forum in the coming years.

COMAISP thanks the President and members of the Council, Exco, Conveners of the professional groups and special committees who are engaged in implementation of the strategic plan, SLLA Office staff and the membership of SLLA for all the assistance and support. It also deeply values the numerous appreciations and encouragements received both from the library community and from the others who are closely link with the library and information services in the country. COMAISP sincerely hopes that all members, especially the senior members of SLLA will extend a helping hand in implementing the strategic plan by undertaking projects from the plan in the next academic year. This no doubt is the best and paramount way to contribute to the development of the library and information field in the country at present.

#### 7.14 Fellowship by Research (FbR)

The Sri Lanka Library Association has introduced a course on Fellowship by Research which is the highest achievement of the SLLA for those who have limited opportunity to apply for the Fellowship by Achievement. The objective of the course is to provide students with knowledge and skills in conducting a research in their workplaces by applying the appropriate research methods in social research.

The course include both classroom teaching and writing a Research Report of 10,000 words after 45 lecture hours and completion of Assignments. The already accepted eligibility criteria to apply for the

Fellowship of the SLLA are required. The applicants for Fellowship by Research should have completed these criteria by the time they apply for the enrollment in the Fellowship by Research Programme.

Applications were called on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2017and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018 from suitable LIS candidates to follow the Research Methodology course through the SLLA website, Library Friends, and SLLA Newsletter.

Five Applications were received out of which only one applicant had fulfilled the criteria to be eligible hence the SLLA was not in a position to commence the course.

#### 7.15 Fellowship by Achievement

Senior Associate members of the Association who have made significant contribution to the Library and Information profession of Sri Lanka are eligible to apply for Fellowship of the Association.

Senior Associate member mean an Associate member of the Association who has continuous membership of the Association for more than 5 years after awarding the Associateship.

The applicants should provide documentary evidence of the professional achievements mentioned in the selection criteria.

The Fellowship Committee discussed further revisions to the existing criteria in FbA in keeping with the changing professional progress of the LIS field and the SLLA. The discussions are on going as an in depth study should be done taking into consideration of latest developments and needs in the LIS filed and those applicable to the SLLA.

#### 7.16 Associateship

The Committee for deciding on the criteria for Associateship is discussing a revision to the existing criteria which is in progress.

#### 8.0 Auditors

Carter De Costa & Co., Chartered Accountants continued to serve as the SLLA's Auditors for the year 2017/2018.

#### 9.0 Bereavements

9.1 Mr Kasipillai Manikavasagar a longstanding and distinguished member of SLLA, passed away on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018 after a brief illness. He was a retired Librarian, having worked at the Central College of Jaffna and was also a translator at the Daily Mirror and Sunday Times Newspapers. He has been a very faithful member of the SLLA for many decades and has rendered a yeoman service to the profession. He was instrumental in commencing the DIPLIS Study Programme in Jaffna. He has been representing the Elections Committee of the SLLA and we members will always remember him at the AGMs.

#### 10.0 Retirement of Mrs Shanthi de Alwis

Mrs. Shanthi De Alwis, Administrative Secretary of SLLA retired on 31st March 2018 having worked for 38 long years. Mrs. De Alwis, popularly known as Shanthi, joined SLLA in 1979 as a typist clerk. In 1990 she was appointed to the Post of Administrative Secretary. During her long tenure, she managed the SLLA Office with her customary efficiency and good public relation skills. A farewell was organized by the SLLA Council. SLLA gratefully acknowledges the dedicated services rendered by her.

#### 10.0 Acknowledgements

- 1. AGM Organising Committee
- 2. All outgoing Council, Executive Committee, Professional Groups and Regular Committee Members
- 3. Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd
- 4. International Federation of Library Associations & Institutions
- 5. National Institute of Library & Information Science
- 6. National Library & Documentation Services Board
- 7. Pearson Education
- 8. Gale Cengage, India
- 9. Taylor & Francis, India
- 10. Asia Pacific Institute of Information technology (APIIT)
- 11. Bank of Ceylon
- 12. Asia Foundation
- 13. Expographic Books Pvt. Ltd.
- 14. SLLA Office Staff
- 15. Grand Oriental Hotel

#### SLLA Professional Groups

#### Academic Libraries Group

- 2. Ms C Gunasekera
- 3. Dr (Ms) B M M C B Hindagolla
- 4. Ms Shirani Ranasinghe

#### NACLIS Group

- 1. Dr (Ms) N D Wijayasundara- Convener
- 2. Ms Ruvini Kodikara
- 3. Mr G R Padmasiri
- 4. Dr Ms Manoja Samaradiwakara
  5. Dr Ms Champa Alahakoon
  6. Mr N Ravi Kumar
  4. Mr Thushara Herath
  5. Ms Sriyani Jayakodi
  6. Ms Priyani Balasuriya

#### National Library Group

- 1 Mr Upali Amarasiri Convener
- 2 Mr W. Sunil
- 3 Ms Senani Bandara
- 4 Ms Padma Bandaranayake
- 5 Ms Dilmani Warnasuriya
- 6 Ms Varuni Gangabadaarachchi

#### Public Libraries Group

- Academic Libraries Group

  1. Dr (Ms) C N K Alahakoon- Convener

  1. Ms Varuni Gangabadaarachchi -Convener
  - 2. Ms Chamila Samaratunga
  - 3. Ms Sewwandi Jayasinghe
  - 4. Mr Vijith Jayasinghe
  - 5. Ms H K Pathma
  - 6. Ms Potselvi Sriranjan

- Government Libraries Group

  1. Ms Urika Munasinghe Convener

  2. Ms D I D Andradi

  3. Mr Sugath Gunatileke

  4. Ms Yanika Nandasena

  5. Mr Jagath Wedasinghe

  6 Ms Sumiithra Meegasmulla

  School Libraries Group

  1. Ms Yamuna Geeganagamage Convener

  2. Ms R C Kusumanjali

  3. Ms Chamari Yapa

  4. Ms Amara Pathirana

  5. Chndani Senarath

  6. Dr Ms M Visakarupan

#### Special Libraries Group

- 1. Ms Savithri Weerakoon Convener
- 2. Ms Ganga Walpola
- 3. Mr Indika Perera

#### SLLA Regular Committees

#### Advocacy & Grievances Committee

- 1. Mr P B Gallaba Convener
- 2. Ms Kusala Sajeewani Pushpakanthi
- 3. Ms Yanika. Nandasena
- 4. Ms Varuni Gangabodaarachchi

#### Associateship Committee

- 1. Ms Lilamani Amerasekera Convener
- 2. Mrs S Arulanantham
- 3. Ms K R N Harshani
- 4. Mr K G S Gunatilake

#### Continuing Professional Development Group

- 1. Ms Chamani Gunasekera Convener
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 3. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe
- 4. Dr (Ms) Priyanwada Wanigasooriya

#### **Education Committee**

- 1. Ms. K.R.N.Harshani Convener
- 2. Ms. S Arulnantham
- 3. Dr (Ms) N D Wijayasundara (Pres. Elect)
- 4. Mr Sugath Gunathilake (AEO, Distance Course Co-ordinator)
- 5. Dr Ruwan Gamage
- 6. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe
- 7. Ms R M N Sanjeewanee (COLA Co-ordinator)
- 8. Ms. K Kamalambikai
- 9. Mr S Navaneethakrishnan

#### Centre and Course Co-ordinators

- 1. Ms Potselvi Sriranjan Jaffna
- 2. Mr Lionel Kumarasiri Kandy
- 3. Ms H K Pathma Galle
- 4. Mr M N Ravikumar Batticaloa
- 5. Mr T G Padmasiri Badulla
- 6. Mr J Wedasinghe Colombo
- 7. Ms. R.M.N. Sanjeewanee (COLA Co-ordinator)
- 8. Mr. Sugath Gunnathilake (AEO, Distance Course Co-ordinator)

## Information & Public Relations Committee

- 1. Ms K N Samanthi Convener
- 2. Ms Ranjani Aluthge
- 3. Mrs Rasika Liyanagamage
- 4. Mr Preethi Liyanage
- 5. Ms Yanika Nandasena

#### IT Committee

- 1. Ms RMN Sanjeewanee Convener
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 3. Ms. Lilamani Amerasekera
- 4. Mr Anton Nallathamby
- 5. Ms Hiruni Kanchana
- 6. Ms Muditha Ankumbura
- 7. Mr N Ravikumar

## Office Management & Finance Committee

- 1. Ms Lilamani Amerasekera Convener
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 3. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe
- 4. Mr Anton Nallathamby
- 5. Ms Dolitha Andradi
- 6. Ms R M N Sanjeewanee
- 7. Ms Inoka Katepearachchi

#### Professional Ethics Committee

- 1. Mr P B Gallaba- Convener
- 2. Prof W A Weerasooriya
- 3. Dr (Ms) Wathmanel Seneviratne
- 4. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe
- 5. Mr Anton Nallathamby

#### Fellowship by Research

- 1. Dr (Ms) C. N. K. Alahakoon Convener
- 2. Dr (Ms) Pradeepa Wijetunge
- 3. Ms Dolitha Andradi
- 4. Dr(Ms) Wathmanel Seneviratne

#### Fellowship by Achievement Committee

- 1. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe Convener
- 2. Ms S. Arulananthamr
- 2. Ms Dilmani Warnasuriya
- 3. Dr (Ms) Nayana Wijayasundara
- 5. Mr Upali Amarasiri

#### **Publications Committee**

- 1. Ms Neetha Peiris Convener
- 2. Mrs Dilmani Warnasuriya
- 3. Ms Thushari Senevirathne
- 4. Ms Padma Bandaranayake
- 5. Dr (Ms) C N K Alahakoon
- 6. Mr Subramanian Navaneethakrishnan

#### Curriculum Revision Committee

- 1. Ms KRN Harshani Convener
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 3. Dr (Ms) Pradeepa Wijetunga
- 4. Mr Sugath Gunathilaka
- 5. Dr Ruwan Gamage
- 6. Dr (Ms) Menaka Hindagolla
- 7. Ms K Kamalambikai
- 8. Mr G R Padmasiri

#### Lesson Writing Committee

- 1.Ms S Arulanantham Convener
- 2. Ms K R N Harshani
- 3. Mr Sugath Gunatillaka
- 4. Mr PB Gallabe
- 5. Mr G R Padmasiri
- 6. Mr R D Ananda Tissa

#### Vijita de Silva Research Award Committee

- 1. Dr. (Ms )Wathmanel Seneviratne-Convener
- 2. Mr. Upali Amarasiri
- 3. Mr. P. B. Gallaba

#### Committee on Monitoring and Assisting the Implementation of the Strategic Plan (COMAISP)

- 1. Ms Dilmani Warnasuriya Convener
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 3. Mr Upali Amarasiri
- 4. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe
- 5. Mr P B Gallaba
- 6. Dr Ruwan Gamage

#### Social Affairs Committee

- 1. Mr Preethi Liayanage Convener
- 2. Ms Dolitha Andradi
- 3. Mr R D Ananda Tissa
- 4. Mr V Nisanth

#### Fund Raising Committee

- 1. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe (Convener)
- 2. Ms S Arulanantham
- 2. Dr (Ms) Nayana Wijesundera
- 3. Ms Lilamai Amerasekera
- 4. Mr W Sunil
- 5. Mr R D Ananda Tissa
- 6. Ms Savithri Weerakoon
- 7. Ms Varuni Gangabaaarachchi

## Committee for Deciding on the Criteria for Associateship

- 1. Ms Shivanthi Weerasinghe (Convener)
- 2. Prof W A Weerasooriya
- 3. Dr Ruwan Gamage
- 4. Dr Ms Wathmanel Seneviratne

#### Annexure III

List of Fellow, Corporate & Non Corporate Members - 2017/2018

#### Fellows

- 1. Ms Padma Bandaranayake
- 2. Mr R D Ananda Tissa

#### Corporate Members

- 1. Ms H M T G Lasanthika Herath
- 2. Ms G M Premawathi Gallaba
- 3. Ms K L S Padmini
- 4. Ms T Anusiya
- 5. Mr P K Ratnayake
- 6. Ms Y K M Elikewala
- 7. Dr. I M Nawaratne
- 8. Ms L Chandani Perera
- 9. Ms K S Wanniarachchi
- 10. Ms A A L Akurana
- 11. Ms K G Ishani mLakmali
- 12. Ms S S Weerasinghe
- 13. Ms R D S P Wijekularatne
- 14. Ms L D R Nilmini
- 15. Mr K Srimenon

#### Non Corporate Members

- 1. Ms A K D S Athukorala
- 2. Ms M M S D Bandara
- 3. Ms H M Buddhi Maheeka
- 4. Ms D R G Damayanthi
- 5. Ms B D L Dilrukshi Kumari
- 6. Ms W M P Erandi Chathurani
- 7. Mr C N Fernando
- 8. Ms E H N Fernando
- 9. Ms N U P G Jayasekara
- 10. Ms N A T K Jayasena
- 11. Ms S R B K D C Kadadara
- 12. Ms Kirulamalar Ulagurajah
- 13. Ms N Kothai
- 14. Ms N M A P Nawarathne
- 15. Ms D P Niroshini
- 16. Ms APCCPerera
- 17. Ms H D T Priyadarshani
- 18. Ms T Ragularajh
- 19. Ms R W I J Rajapaksha
- 20. Ms W R A S L Ranasinghe
- 21. Ms R M D P Rathnayake
- 22. Ms S A Sandya Kanthi
- 23. Ms T Subashini
- 24. Ms K S S C Sumanadewa
- 25. Ms Susantha Sujeewani
- 26. Ms J Sutharsan
- 27. Ms G K V Tharanga Gayathri
- 28. Ms Thavaraja Sivarani
- 29. Ms T C P K Thilakaratne
- 30. Ms Thivya Kamalanathan
- 31. Ms K A Vishaka Narmada

#### Panel of Lecturers - 2017/2018

1	Ms C M Abeygunasekera
2	Dr Ms C Alahakoon
3	Mr S U Amarasinghe
4	Mr R D Ananda Tissa
5	Ms A V M K Ankumbura
6	Ms T Arulnandhy
7	Mrs S Arulanantham
8	Mr M C M Azwer
9	Mr A H K Balasooriya
10	Ms P Balasuriya
11	Dr Ms K Chandrasekar
12	Mr A Dharmaratna
13	Ms Nalini De S. Wijenayake
14	Ms Soma De Silva
15	Ms Harshani Dissanayake
16	Mr J Garusinghaarachchi
17	Mr M K C Gnanasekera
18	Mr G K S K Girakaduwa
19	Mr H M Gunarathne Banda
20	Ms Damayanthi Gunasekera
21	Mr R M Gunasekera
22	Ms C Gunasekera
23	Mr K G S Gunatilake
24	Ms J E A M S Jayasinghe
25	Mr W J Jeyaraj
26	Ms K R N Harshini
27	Dr Ms M Hindagolla
28	Ms Hiruni Kanchana
29	Ms K Kamalambikai
30	Ms Sunethra Kariyawasam
31	Ms U G M P Kariyawasam
32	Mr S Ketheeswaran
33	Ms. Kumari Kulatunga
34	Mr L Kumarasiri
35	Ms M D R Kumudini
36	Mr S Kupesan
37	Ms Ira Mudannayake
38	Ms K Murugathas
39	Ms G Navirathan

40	Ms A Nanayakkara
41	Mr K M Nishath
42	Mr S Navaneethakrishnan
43	Ms H K Pathma
44	Mr T G Pathmasiri
45	Ms N D Pieris
46	Mr W Premadarshana
47	Mr Sunil Premaratne
48	Ms P K Pushpamala Perera
49	Mr H N Pieris
50	Mr B Prashanthan
51	Mr T Ramanan
52	Ms W A J K Ratnasekera
53	Mr J Ratnayake
54	Mr M N Ravikumar
55	Mr M M Rumaiz
56	Ms P K Pushpamala Perera
57	Mr H N Pieris
58	Mr B Prashanthan
59	Mr T Ramanan
60	Ms K N Samanthi
61	Mr M S M Shiham
62	Mr M Sinnarajah
63	Mr S L Siyath Ahamed
64	Ms I P Tilakaratne
65	Ms L Umashankar
66	Dr Ms M Visakaruban
67	Mr D Weerakoon
68	Ms W A J Weeratunga
69	Mr K K G Wijeweera
70	Dr K D G Wimalaratne
71	Ms C K S Yapa
72	Mr Anusha Yapa

Annexure: V

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#### Independent Auditor's Report

#### To The Members of the Sri Lanka Library Association

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Sri Lanka Library Association which comprise the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, and the Statement of Income and Expenditure and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended and other explanatory notes, as set out in this Report.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLFRS for Smaller Entities). This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting polices; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Scope of Audit and basis of Opinion

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements.

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit. We therefore believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, so far as appears from our examination, the association maintained proper accounting records for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the association's state of affairs as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and its surplus for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLFRS for Smaller Entities).

CARTER DE COSTÁ & CO., CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

06<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Colombo

# SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE AND RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2018

	Notes	2018 Rs.	2017 Rs.
Income		-	
Membership Fees	1	425,550	283,000
Registration Fees		219,500	257,500
Course Fees and Examination Fees	.2	8,388,665	9,737,100
Surplus – Workshop	3	150,127	170,279
Other Income	6	3,637,765	1,918,001
		12,821,607	12,365,880
Expenses			
Direct Expenses	7	2,943,999	2,846,466
Administration Expenses	8	6,561,124	4,922,571
Surplus For The Year Before Taxation		3,316,484	4,596,843
Income Tax Expense	9		247,767
Surplus For The Year		3,316,484	4,349,075

#### SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31ST MARCH 2018

AS AT SIST MANGE 2010		44	
***	Notes	<u>2018</u>	2017
av d		Rs.	Rs.
Assets			
Non Current Assets	8 0		
Property, Plant and Equipment	12	1,692,370	1,579,831
Investments			
Investments in Shares	10	1,000	1,000
Fixed Deposits	11	35,328,146	30,546,509
		37,021,516	32,127,341
Current Assets			100
Accounts Receivable	13	70,564	70,564
Advances and Prepayment	14	150,000	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	15	6,562,112	8,879,728
y		6,782,676	8,950,292
A			
Total Assets		43,804,192	41,077,632
Fund and Liabilities		26.1	
Fund			
Accumulated Fund	16	40,927,198	37,569,903
Building Fund	17	142,321	142,321
Distance Education Partnership Program Fund	18	979,695	979,695
Education Officers Fund	19	54,000	54,000
IFLA/ALP Workshop Fund	20	100,865	100,865
Refsala Fund	21	84,269	81,229
Vijitha De Silva Research Fund	22	578,634	582,382
Building Strong Library Association Program Fund	23	7,159	60,959
Hikkaduwa Public Library Fund	24	70,843	380,785
		42,944,986	39,952,139
Non Current Liabilities			,,
Retirement Benefit Obligation	25	684,510	647,700
Date 188		684,510	647,700
Current Liabilities			011,700
Accounts Payable	26	174,696	230,026
Income Tax Payable		-	247,767
		174,696	477,793
Total Funds and Liabilities		43,804,192	41,077,632
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These Financial statements are Prepared and Presented by Sri Lanka Library Association Committee of Management.

Signed for and on behalf of the Management Committee.

President

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General Secretary

Treasurer