

# *Newsletter*

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SRI LANKA**



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## A New Era of Academic & Executive Leadership

### Prof. Peratheepan takes helm as Vice Chancellor

Prof. Pararajasingham Peratheepan, Professor in Physics, Dept. of Physics, Faculty of Science, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, has been appointed as the 11th Vice Chancellor of Eastern University Sri Lanka by His Excellency the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Hon. Anura Kumara Dissanayake, with effect from 17 June 2025.

A distinguished academic and administrator, he has held key leadership roles at university, national, and international levels. He received the Doctoral Merit Award for his PhD from Johannesburg, South Africa, the NRC Merit Award (2013), and the President's Award for Scientific Publication in 2014 and 2015.

His dynamic leadership and strong research orientation are expected to further enhance the university's academic standing and drive it towards greater institutional excellence.







### Appointment of Acting Vice Chancellors for Eastern University, Sri Lanka

The University Grants Commission (UGC), in accordance with Section 34 (9) (b) of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978, as amended, appointed two senior academics to carry out the duties of the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, during the interim period from 22nd January to 16th June 2025.



**Prof. T. Prabakaran**



**Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel**

Accordingly, Professor Thambirajah Prabakaran, Deputy Vice Chancellor and Professor of Management of the Faculty of Commerce and Management, served as Acting Vice Chancellor from 22nd January 2025 to 24th April 2025. Subsequently, Senior Professor Flavian Chalmus Ragel, Senior Professor and Chair Professor of Physics of the Faculty of Science, was appointed as Acting Vice Chancellor from 25th April 2025 to 16th June 2025.

Both Acting Vice Chancellors brought extensive academic distinction and administrative experience to the role, ensuring the smooth continuity of academic and administrative operations. Their leadership contributed significantly to the stability, sustained development, and overall progress of the University during this transitional period.

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE

### Curriculum Enhancement: Workshop on Revision Tools and Methods

The Centre for Quality Assurance (CQA) of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, conducted a workshop on Curriculum Revision Tools and Methods on 15th May 2025. The session aimed to equip academic leaders with practical strategies and tools to review and enhance curriculum design in line with quality assurance standards.

Participants included the Dean of the Faculty of Science, the Chairman of the Curriculum Development Committee (CDC) of the Faculty of Science, two senior members of the CDC, and the Coordinator of the Faculty Quality Assurance Cell (FQAC). The workshop provided an interactive platform for participants to explore methodologies for effective curriculum revision, ensuring alignment with academic goals, national standards, and global best practices.



### Strengthening School Science Education: Discussion on Conducting GCE (A/L) Practical Sessions

A discussion was held on 28th May 2025 at the Zonal Education Office, Batticaloa West, with Mrs. T. Uthayakaran, Deputy Director of Education (Education Development), to develop a mechanism for conducting GCE (A/L) Physics practical sessions within schools, as requested by the Zonal Education Office.

Prof. P. Peratheepan, Professor of Physics, and Prof. P. Elango, Coordinator of the Community Outreach Science Unit (COSU), Faculty of Science, participated in the meeting. Following the discussion at the Zonal Office, the team visited BT/BW/Muthalaikkudah Maha Vidyalaya, where they held in-depth discussions with the Deputy Principal and A/L Science stream teachers to finalize the proposed mechanism for conducting practical sessions at the school level.

The team also engaged with GCE (A/L) science students to discuss their studies and gather feedback on the proposed practical classes, ensuring that the sessions would effectively support student learning and practical skills development.



Scientific minds are nurtured where patience meets purpose and learning becomes meaningful



## FACULTY OF COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT

### Bridging Theory and Practice: Industrial Exposure Visit by Faculty of Commerce and Management

The Faculty of Commerce and Management at Eastern University, Sri Lanka, successfully conducted the Industrial Exposure Visit Program on 12th and 13th June 2025 for final-year B.Com (Hons) and BBA (Hons) students. The program aimed to connect classroom learning with practical industry experience and enhance students' career readiness.

On 12th June, 134 BCom students, accompanied by five academic staff, visited Gal-Oya Plantations (Pvt) Ltd in Ampara to gain firsthand experience in sugarcane cultivation, processing, and sustainable agro-industry practices. The following day, 13th June, BBA students visited three companies in Trincomalee, where 65 students explored cement manufacturing and logistics at Tokyo Eastern Cement Company, 50 students studied textile production and HR practices at Jay Jay Mills Lanka, and 30 students observed lean systems and textile production at Nor Lanka Manufacturing, providing them with a comprehensive understanding of industry operations and professional practices.



The visits were coordinated by Mr. K. Pushpakaran, with the support of Dean Prof. N. Rajeshwaran. Students received pre-visit briefings, safety instructions, and professional guidance. The program provided practical exposure in areas such as supply chain, finance, HRM, and strategy, while also enhancing communication, teamwork, and critical thinking skills. The faculty looks forward to future collaborations with industry partners through MoUs.



Experience enriches understanding beyond theory



## LIBRARY NETWORK

### Libraries in the Digital Age: Eastern University Hosts Dynamic International Research Conference



An inspiring International Research Conference, organized by the Eastern University Library Network under the theme “Community Empowerment through Libraries in the Digital Era”, was held on the 30th of April, 2025 at the University’s Nalliah Auditorium. The event brought together library science professionals, scholars, and research students from across Sri Lanka and beyond, showcasing the evolving role of libraries in shaping informed and inclusive societies.



The Chief Guest, Acting Vice Chancellor, Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel, and Guest of Honour, Dr. R. Maheswaran, Librarian of the University of Peradeniya, graced the conference with their presence. Dr. Chaminda Chiran Jayasundara, Librarian of the University of Kelaniya, delivered the keynote address, while special guest lectures were presented by Prof. Ruwan Gamage of the National Institute of Library and Information Science, University of Colombo and Mr. M. M. Rifaudeen, Librarian of South Eastern University of Sri Lanka.



The conference commenced with a vibrant cultural ceremony. Students from the Department of Fine Arts led the procession with traditional music, followed by a classical Bharathanaatyam performance by students of the Swami Vipulanandha Institute of Aesthetic Studies, creating a rich cultural prelude to the academic event. In his welcome address, Conference Chair Mr. M. N. Ravikumar, Senior Assistant Librarian, set the tone for the day. Conference Advisor and the Librarian of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Dr. W. J. Jeyaraj, highlighted how libraries in developing countries like Sri Lanka can become transformative community knowledge centres, especially in regions facing socio-economic and regional disparities.

Dr. R. Maheswaran stressed the importance of preserving traditional values while embracing digital technologies to offer innovative and inclusive library services. In his Chief Guest’s address, Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel commended the conference as a platform that contributes to the global visibility ranking of the university and acknowledged the forward-thinking spirit of library professionals. Dr. Chiran Jayasundara emphasized how national digital policies such as the Digital Economy Strategy 2030 and the e-Sri Lanka initiative align with global frameworks like the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, urging libraries to play a pivotal role in driving these agendas. (Contd....)





## Libraries in the Digital Age.....

The abstract proceedings of the research presentations, for which the Deputy Librarian, Mr. S. Santharooban, served as the Chief Editor, were handed over by the Chief Editor and the Co-Chair, ceremonially launched by the Chief Guest, Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel, and presented to the dignitaries. The academic sessions featured over 30 research presentations in both Tamil and English, across six parallel tracks. The closing session was moderated by Prof. Ruwan Gamage and Dr. M. M. Mashroofa, the Senior Assistant Librarian of South Eastern University of Sri Lanka.



The event concluded with awards for the Best Research Presentations: Mrs. Thushari M. Senaviratne, Senior Assistant Librarian of the University of Moratuwa won in the English category, while Mrs. Siyani Thevaruban, the MEd. Student of the Open University of Sri Lanka received the Tamil category award.



## Enhancing Research Impact: SCOPUS Awareness Session at Eastern University

The Library Network of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, in collaboration with Elsevier, organized an insightful awareness session on SCOPUS on 21st May 2025. The session was chaired by Dr. W. J. Jeyaraj, Librarian, and graced by Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel, Acting Vice-Chancellor, as the Chief Guest. The session was conducted by Mr. Vijay Reddi, Resource Professional from Elsevier, who provided an in-depth analysis of the university's research outputs indexed in SCOPUS and recognized top researchers across diverse disciplines. Mr. Reddi highlighted the importance of publishing in high-quality, reputed indexed journals and guided participants on identifying suitable scholarly journals to enhance research impact. He also discussed the advantages and limitations of global journal ranking systems, including Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4, and shared practical strategies to maximize the visibility and quality of research publications.

By highlighting both strengths and areas for improvement, the session provided a valuable platform for the academic community to better align their research with global standards and strengthen Eastern University's scholarly footprint. The session was successfully coordinated by Mr. S. Santharooban, Deputy Librarian.





## Canvas of Culture – Art Exhibition 2025 showcases Trincomalee’s Heritage and Creative Visions

The Library Quality Assurance Cell of the Library Network at Eastern University, Sri Lanka, successfully organized the “Canvas of Culture” – Art Exhibition 2025 on 5th June 2025 at the Library of the Trincomalee Campus. The exhibition, coordinated by Mrs. Krishanthi Sivalingam, Senior Assistant Librarian, with the support of the Students’ Unions of the faculties at Trincomalee Campus, was held under the theme “Roots and Wings: Celebrating Trincomalee’s Heritage and Visions for a Sustainable Future.”

The event aimed to connect students with the library through creative engagement and showcased a diverse range of artistic expressions by university students and school children across the province. The exhibition was organized around thematic sections highlighting heritage, gender equality, environmental sustainability, collaboration, and personal expression, reflecting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The inaugural ceremony was graced by Mr. S. Thadchanamoorthy, Acting Rector of Trincomalee Campus, as the Chief Guest. Guests of Honour included Prof. (Mrs.) F. Bharathy Kennedy, Director of Swami Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies, Dr. W. J. Jeyaraj, Chairman of LQAC and Librarian of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and Prof. (Mrs.) Chandravathany G. Devadason, Former Rector of Trincomalee Campus. Special Guests were Mr. T. Baskar, Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, and Dr. V. Anavarathan, Dean of the Faculty of Siddha Medicine of the Trincomalee campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

The exhibition featured over 150 creative works, including paintings and crafts. A traditional cultural performance by undergraduates from the Swami Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies enlivened the event. A mural gifted by Zahira College, Trincomalee, now permanently displayed in the library, was among the remarkable highlights of the exhibition.





## CAREER GUIDANCE UNIT

### Enhancing Communication Skills: Workshop for Commerce Students



The Career Guidance Unit of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, organized a workshop on communication skills on 23rd April 2024 for 2nd Year, 2nd Semester students of the Faculty of Commerce and Management. The session was held at the Auditorium, Faculty of Commerce and Management, EUSL, and conducted by Mr. Pio Jude Navinthan, Programme Manager, World Vision Lanka. Students gained practical insights and strategies to strengthen their communication skills, enhancing their confidence for both academic and professional development.

### Sharpening Career Prospects: Seminar on Employability Skills

The Career Guidance Unit of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, organized a seminar on employability skills on 28th April 2024 for 2nd Year, 2nd Semester students of the Faculty of Arts and Culture. The session took place at the Seminar Hall, Department of English Language Teaching, EUSL, and was led by Ms. Premini Sivapirathap, Senior Executive – HR, Brandix Apparel Solution (Pvt) Ltd., Batticaloa. The seminar offered students practical guidance on enhancing workplace competencies, understanding professional expectations, and preparing for successful career pathways.



### Crafting Professional Futures: Workshop on CV Writing and Cover Letter Preparation

The Career Guidance Unit of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, conducted a workshop on CV Writing and Cover Letter Preparation on 30th April 2024 for 1st Year, 2nd Semester students of the Faculty of Technology. The session was held at the Seminar Hall, Faculty of Technology, EUSL, and facilitated by Mr. N. Sujiraj, Coordinator, American Corner, Batticaloa. Students learned practical techniques for creating effective CVs and cover letters, equipping them with essential tools to present their skills and qualifications confidently to potential employers.





### Bridging Academia and Industry: Eastern University Engages with Brandix on Student Career Development

A productive discussion was held on 27th June 2025 between the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and Brandix at the University Boardroom, focusing on internships, industrial training, career mentoring, and future employment opportunities for students. This engagement, conducted at the request of Brandix, highlighted both institutions' commitment to linking academic learning with regional community and industry needs.

The discussion marked a significant step toward establishing a strong and sustainable partnership between the University and the apparel industry, with future initiatives aimed at long-term skill development and industry-relevant training programs.

Attendees from Eastern University included Prof. P. Peratheepan, Vice-Chancellor; Prof. N. Rajeshwaran, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management; and Prof. S. Arasaretnam, Director, Career Guidance Unit. Representatives from Brandix were Mr. Priyanga Dassanayake, CEO, Brandix Corporate Campus; Mr. Chamikara Jayakody, Deputy General Manager; and Ms. Nadisha Deheragoda, General Manager – Human Resources.



### STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SDC)

#### Workshop Empowers Academics on Publishing in Indexed Journals

The Staff Development Center organized a workshop on Publishing in Indexed Journals & Identifying Predatory Journals on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 at the CICT Lab, EUSL. The session was conducted for the academic staff with the aim of raising awareness on publishing their research in reputable indexed journals while helping them identify and avoid predatory publishers. Mr. M. N. Ravikumar, Senior Assistant Librarian, served as the resource person for the workshop.

This workshop provided academics with valuable guidance on selecting suitable high-quality journals, understanding journal metrics, improving the visibility and impact of their research, and safeguarding their academic reputation by avoiding questionable or predatory outlets. Participants also gained practical insights into strengthening their publication strategies and enhancing research credibility.



Curiosity and effort together ignite innovation and growth



## CENTRE FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE (CQA)

### Developing Action Plan for Internal Institutional Review Recommendations

The Centre for Quality Assurance (CQA) of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, organized a discussion session on 22nd May 2025 at the Boardroom of the Rector's Office, Trincomalee Campus, focusing on the development of an Action Plan for implementing recommendations from the Internal Institutional Review (IIR) of the Trincomalee Campus. The session aimed to raise awareness among key stakeholders about the IIR recommendations and collaboratively identify actionable steps for their effective implementation. Attendees included the Rector, Deans of Faculties, Heads of Departments, members of the Self-Evaluation Report (SER) Writing Team, Administrative Officers, and FQAC Coordinators.

The event was coordinated by Prof. P. Elango, Director of the Centre for Quality Assurance, who presented core methodologies and strategic approaches for executing the review recommendations. This initiative represents a key step in strengthening quality assurance mechanisms and institutional development at Trincomalee Campus, in line with Eastern University's commitment to academic excellence and continuous improvement.



### Enhancing Staff Expertise on SLQF and Subject Benchmark Statements



The Centre for Quality Assurance of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, conducted a workshop on 29th May 2025 titled "Enhancing Staff Expertise on the Sri Lanka Qualifications Framework (SLQF) and Subject Benchmark Statements (SBSs)" at the Boardroom of the Faculty of Arts and Culture. The workshop brought together the Dean, Heads of Departments, Professors, senior academics involved in quality assurance, the Coordinator of the Faculty Quality Assurance Cell, and the Deputy Registrar of the Faculty of Arts and Culture.



The session aimed to strengthen academic staff's understanding of the SLQF and relevant SBSs to enhance effectiveness in curriculum development and quality assurance practices. Key topics included curriculum enrichment, mapping with SLQF level descriptors, interpretation of SBSs as benchmarks for academic standards, and aligning programs with professional body requirements.



Prof. P. Elango, Director of the Centre for Quality Assurance, facilitated the workshop, providing detailed guidance on qualification levels, descriptors, and formulation of content and learning outcomes in line with disciplinary standards.



### Finalizing Blanket Approval Requests for Non-Approved Postgraduate Programs

The Centre for Quality Assurance of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, convened a meeting on 30th May 2025 at the University Boardroom to finalize blanket approval requests for postgraduate degree programs not yet approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC).

The meeting focused on reviewing and finalizing the submission of blanket approval requests, along with the required documentation, to be forwarded to the Quality Assurance Council (QAC) of the UGC by the Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS).

Chaired by the Acting Vice-Chancellor Senior Prof. F. C. Ragel, and coordinated by the Director of the Centre for Quality Assurance, Prof. P. Elango, the meeting was attended by the Director of Studies of the FGS, Chairpersons of the Boards of Study in Agricultural Sciences, Economics, Aesthetic Studies, Languages, Religious & Cultural Studies, Health-Care Sciences, Sciences, Commerce & Management, Education, and Social Sciences, as well as the Acting Senior Assistant Registrar of the FGS.



### Formulating Action Plan for Internal Institutional Review Recommendations at SVIAS

The Centre for Quality Assurance (CQA) of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, convened a focused discussion on 17th June 2025 at the Boardroom of the Swami Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies (SVIAS) to develop an Action Plan for implementing recommendations from the Internal Institutional Review (IIR) of the Institute.

The session aimed to enhance awareness among key institutional stakeholders regarding the IIR recommendations and collaboratively devise practical steps for their effective implementation. Participants included the Director, Heads of Departments, members of the Self-Evaluation Report (SER) Writing Team, Administrative Officers, and the FQAC Coordinator.

The programme was coordinated by Prof. P. Elango, Director of the CQA, who presented core methodologies and strategic approaches to guide the implementation of the review recommendations. This initiative marks a key step in strengthening quality assurance practices and institutional development at SVIAS, reflecting Eastern University's commitment to academic excellence, continuous improvement, and adherence to national higher education standards.





## TRINCOMALEE CAMPUS

### Empowering Student Initiatives: Launch of the Student-Led Library at FCBS

Final-year students of the 2019/2020 Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Management batch launched a Student-Led Library on 28th April 2025 at the FCBS study hall.

The event was attended by the Head of the Department of Business and Management Studies, the Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, and faculty members. This CSR initiative, undertaken as part of the course BMT 4063: Contemporary Issues in Management under the guidance of Mr. N. Thevanes, aimed to reduce students' screen time, promote reading habits, and address the lack of a dedicated library by establishing a community-based donate-and-borrow system with resources in Sinhala, Tamil, and English.

During the planning phase, students held group discussions, assigned responsibilities, and collectively raised LKR 15,000 to purchase a custom book rack, stationery, and decorative materials. A social media campaign encouraged book donations, garnering overwhelming support from university members and external contributors, resulting in a diverse collection of over 160 books.

The library space was creatively enhanced with organized bookshelves, painted walls, motivational quotes, and live plants, creating an inviting and intellectually stimulating environment. A borrow-after-donate system was implemented, where students could borrow books only after donating one, with all transactions recorded to ensure accountability. A dedicated quality assurance team maintained academic and aesthetic standards to guarantee sustainability. Mr. N. Thevanes, the course lecturer, marked the launch with a symbolic book donation, highlighting the significance of the student initiative and the library's role in fostering reading culture and community engagement.



By leading the library, students discover the joy of learning, the power of collaboration, and the thrill of innovation.

### Spectra 2025: Mini-Market Showcases Student Innovation and Marketing Skills

The Department of Business and Management Studies, Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, successfully hosted Spectra 2025, a dynamic Mini-Market event, on 29th April 2025. The event was organized by Year I Semester II students of the 2022/23 batch as part of their MKT 1013: Marketing Management course. It aimed to help students apply what they learned in class through practical experience under the theme "Learn Marketing Management through Experience."

Guided by Mrs. Vithya Leninkumar, Senior Lecturer and the Head of the Dept. of Business and Management Studies of the Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, the Mini-Market was set up at the campus cafeteria and officially commenced at 10:30 a.m. A total of 38 student teams managed individual stalls featuring a variety of products, including innovative food items, handcrafted goods, fresh juices, and beauty products. Students applied marketing principles such as branding, pricing strategies, and customer engagement while actively promoting their products within the campus.

The project concluded with detailed reports and presentations from each team, highlighting their learning experiences and practical application of marketing concepts. Spectra 2025 provided students with a hands-on, experiential platform to develop creativity, teamwork, and entrepreneurial skills, reflecting the vibrant spirit of applied learning at the Trincomalee Campus.



### AWARDS

#### Mrs. Lavanya earns SLLA Associateship

Mrs. Lavanya Jegatheesparan, Senior Assistant Librarian at FHCS Library, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, has been awarded the Associateship of the Sri Lanka Library Association at the Association's Annual General Meeting, effective 20th May 2025. The University congratulates her on this professional achievement at the 65th Annual General Meeting, held on the 27th of June, 2025 at the Diamond Jubilee Hall, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya.

The University congratulates her on this professional achievement.





NEW APPOINTMENTS

VICE CHANCELLOR



**Prof. P. PERATHEEPAN**

Professor in Physics

Faculty of Science

**Vice Chancellor**

For three years from 17/06/2025

CARRYING ON THE DUTIES OF THE  
OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR



**Prof. T. PRABAHARAN**

**Deputy Vice Chancellor**

Professor in Management

Faculty of Commerce and Management

**Acting Vice Chancellor**

from 22/01/2025 to 24/04/2025



**Senior Prof. F. C. RAGEL**

Senior Professor and

Chair Professor of Physics

Department of Physics

Faculty of Science

**Acting Vice Chancellor**

from 25/04/2025 to 16/06/2025

## HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



**Dr. (Mrs.) S. SANTHIRAKANTHAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology

**Head /**

**Dept. of Biosystems Technology**

Faculty of Technology

For Three Years from 01/04/2025



**Mr. R. KIRUPARAJAH**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Geography

**Head /**

**Dept. of Geography**

Faculty of Arts and Culture

For Three Years from 06/04/2025



**Dr. A. J. M. HARRIS**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Zoology

**Head /**

**Dept. of Zoology**

Faculty of Science

For Three Years from 25/05/2025



**Prof. M. SUGIRTHARAN**

Professor in Agricultural Engineering

**Head /**

**Dept. of Agricultural Engineering**

Faculty of Agriculture

For Three Years from 01/06/2025

## ACTING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



**Senior Prof. F. C. RAGEL**

Senior Professor of Physics

**Acting Head/**

**Dept. of Physics**

Faculty of Science,

For One Month from 01/04/2025



**Dr (Mrs) V. PRASANNATH**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology

Dept. of Multidisciplinary Studies

**Acting Head/**

**Dept. of Multidisciplinary Studies,**

Faculty of Technology

Extended for Three Months from 01/04/2025.





**Mr. A KANNERAJ**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Political Science  
Department of Social Sciences

**Acting Head/  
Dept. of Comparative Religion  
and Social Harmony,**  
Faculty of Arts and Culture,  
Extended for One Month from 01/06/2025



**Eng. T. VINOTHRAJ**

Lecturer in Computer Science / CICT  
Faculty of Science

**Acting Head/  
Dept. of Information Technology,**  
Faculty of Arts and Culture,  
Extended for One Month from 11/04/2025.



**Mrs. THAKSHAAYINI RAJENDRAM**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Education and Childcare

**Acting Head/  
Dept. of Education and Childcare,**  
Faculty of Arts and Culture  
Extended For Three Months from 01/04/2025.



**Prof. M. SUGIRTHARAN**

Professor in Agricultural Engineering

**Acting Head /  
Dept. of Agricultural Engineering**  
Faculty of Agriculture  
For One Month from 01/05/2025



**Dr. A. J. M. HARRIS**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Zoology

**Acting Head /  
Dept. of Zoology**  
Faculty of Science  
For One Month from 25/04/2025



**Dr. K. SHRIKARUNAAKARAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in English

**Acting Head/  
Dept. of Languages,**  
Faculty of Arts and Culture  
For Two Months from 04/05/2025.



**Asso. Prof. (Mrs.) Q. SOUNDARARAJAH**

Associate Professor in Physics

**Acting Head/**

**Dept. of Physics,**

Faculty of Science

For Two Months from 01/05/2025.



**Mrs. VIJITHA THIVAKARAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Tamil

**Acting Head/**

**Dept. of Tamil Studies,**

Faculty of Arts and Culture

For Two Months from 04/05/2025.

**DIRECTOR**



**Prof. N. RAJESHWARAN**

Professor in Accounting and Finance

Dept. of Accounting and Finance

Faculty of Commerce and Management

**Director**

**Strategic Planning & Statistical Unit**

Eastern University, Sri Lanka

Extended for Two Months from 01/04/2025



**Mr. M. RAVI**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Philosophy

Dept. of Philosophy and Value Studies

Faculty of Arts and Culture

**Director**

**Centre for Social Reconciliation**

Eastern University, Sri Lanka

For Three Months from 02/04/2025



**Prof. K. ARULANANDEM**

Professor in Family Medicine

Dept. of Primary Health Care

Faculty of Health Care Sciences

**Director**

**Centre for**

**Industry and Community Linkages**

Extended for One Month from 01/05/2025



**Prof. M. SITHAMPARESAN**

Professor in Chemistry

Dept. of Chemistry

Faculty of Science

**Director**

**Staff Development Centre**

Extended for One Month from 09/05/2025



## PROMOTIONS

### PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR PROFESSOR



**Senior Prof. S. SUTHARSAN**

Professor in Crop Science

Faculty of Agriculture

**Senior Professor in Crop Science**

With effect from 15/05/2025

## RETIREMENTS

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT STAFF



**Ms. KALAIMATHI SUBRAMANIAM**

Instructor in English Gr. III

Dept. of English Language Teaching

Faculty of Arts and Culture

Eastern University, Sri Lanka

**Retired**

from 19/06/2025

### NON-ACADEMIC STAFF



**Mr. K. RAJAGOPAL**

Senior Farm Supervisor

University Farm

Eastern University, Sri Lanka

**Retired**

from 26/05/2025

TRINCOMALEE CAMPUS - NEW APPOINTMENTS

ACTING RECTOR



**Prof. (Mrs.) C. G. DEVADASON**

Professor in Zoology

Faculty of Science

**Acting Rector**

**Trincomalee Campus**

from 01/04/2025 to 31/05/2025



**Mr. S. THADCHANAMOORTHY**

Dean

Faculty of Applied Science

**Acting Rector**

**Trincomalee Campus**

from 01/06/2025 to 11/08/2025

DEAN



**Mrs. VITHYA LENINKUMAR**

**Head**

Department of Business & Management

*Appointed to the Post of*

**Dean**

**Faculty of Communication and Business Studies**

**Trincomalee Campus**

Three Years from 30/06/2025.



TRINCOMALEE CAMPUS - PROMOTIONS

HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



**Dr. (Mrs.) NIRUBA  
SARATH JAYASUNDARA**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Linguistics

**HEAD**

**Department of  
Information Technology**

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 27/06/2025.



**Dr. (Mrs.) DILUXSHY  
RAVICHANDRAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Management

**HEAD**

**Department of  
Business and Management Studies**

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 30/06/2025.

ACADEMIC PROMOTIONS – SENIOR LECTURER Gr. I



**Dr. (Mrs.) DILUXSHY RAVICHANDRAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Management

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I**

**in Management**

Dept. of Business and Management Studies

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 02/01/2023.



**Ms. E. W. M. S. BOYAGODA**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Communication

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I**

**in Communication**

Dept. of Languages and Communication Studies

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 02/01/2023.



**Mrs. VITHYA LENINKUMAR**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Business & Management

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I  
in Business & Management**

Dept. of Business and Management Studies

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 02/01/2023.



**Mrs. ANUJA RAVEENTHER**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in

Human Resource Management

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I in  
Human Resource Management**

Dept. of Business and Management Studies

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 02/01/2023.



**Dr. J. S. ROHAN SAVARIMUTTU**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in English

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I  
in English**

Dept. of Languages and Communication Studies

Faculty of Communication and Business Studies

With effect from 01/06/2023.



**Dr. (Mrs.) BALAMANOHARY UTHAYANAN**

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in General Medicine

*Promoted to the Post of*

**Senior Lecturer Gr. I  
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