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Eastern University Ushers in 2025 with Traditional New Year Ceremony

The Eastern University, Sri Lanka ceremoniously commenced its official duties for the New Year 2025 with a traditional and dignified event held on the 1st of January 2025 at 8.30 a.m. at the University premises.

The ceremony began with the hoisting of the National Flag by Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice Chancellor, and the University Flag by Mr. A. Pahirathan, Registrar, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. A two-minute silence was then observed in remembrance of all who had sacrificed their lives for the nation. Blessings were invoked by religious dignitaries representing major faiths, after which the University staff collectively recited the Public Service Oath, reaffirming their commitment to duty and service.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. V. Kanagasingam, delivered an inspiring New Year Address, highlighting the vision and goals for the year ahead. The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Mr. V. Navirathan, Deputy Registrar (Non-Academic Estbs.).

In keeping with tradition, the gathering was followed by the sharing of milk rice (kiribath) and milk, symbolizing peace, prosperity, and unity as the University community embarked on another year of academic excellence and service.



Embracing Diversity: Eastern University and Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence Host 3rd International Conference (ICMR 2025)

The Centre for Multidisciplinary Research of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, in collaboration with the Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence, India, successfully organized the 3rd International Conference on Multidisciplinary Research (ICMR 2025) under the inspiring theme “The Power of Diversity” on the 3rd and 4th of January 2025 at the Nalliah Auditorium, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai, Founder of the Sri Sathya Sai University for Human Excellence, India, graced the conference as the Chief Guest, adding profound significance to the event.

The Inaugural Session commenced with a Welcome Address by Prof. Rodney Fernando, Conference Secretary, followed by the Inaugural Address delivered by Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice Chancellor of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka. A Special Address was presented by Dr. Niraj Gopinath, Consultant in Pain Medicine and Anaesthesia, Sri Madhusudan Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, India. The Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. Terrance Madhujith, Vice Chancellor of the University of Peradeniya, who shared insightful perspectives on multidisciplinary research and the unifying strength of diversity.

The Conference Proceedings were ceremoniously released, marking another milestone in fostering academic collaboration and global scholarly exchange. A Scientific Dialogue on “The Power of Diversity and Sustainability” was conducted before the Vote of Thanks, proposed by Mr. T. Kirupananthan, Senior Lecturer, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. The two-day conference continued with engaging technical sessions held in hybrid mode, featuring numerous research paper presentations that reflected diverse disciplines, innovative ideas, and global perspectives, truly celebrating the spirit of diversity in academia and research.

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

Sharpening Research Skills: Workshop on “Literature Search and Reference Managers” Empowers Final-Year Agriculture Students

The Faculty Quality Assurance Cell (FQAC) of the Faculty of Agriculture successfully organized a practical workshop on “Literature Search and Reference Managers” on February 27, 2025. The session was designed specifically for the final-year students of the Faculty of Agriculture to strengthen their research capabilities and academic writing skills.

Mrs. Gayathiri Navirathan and Mr. M.N. Ravikumar, both Senior Assistant Librarians (Grade I), served as the resource persons, guiding students on effective strategies to locate scholarly literature and manage references with ease. The initiative reflects the Faculty’s ongoing commitment to nurturing academically proficient graduates ready to excel in the world of research and innovation.



Cultivating Innovation: Faculty of Agriculture Hosts 4th International Symposium on Agriculture (ISA 2025)

The Faculty of Agriculture proudly organized its 4th International Symposium on Agriculture (ISA 2025) on 06th March 2025 under the timely theme “Innovative Approaches to Modernize Agriculture for Food Security.”

The event commenced with a warm welcome address by Dr. T. M. S. A. Tennakoon, Coordinator of ISA 2025, setting the stage for an inspiring day of scholarly exchange. Prof. (Mrs) P. Premanandarajah, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, then addressed the gathering, emphasizing the Faculty's commitment to driving sustainable agricultural development. Prof. T. Prabaharan, Acting Vice Chancellor, delivered an insightful speech highlighting the University's dedication to fostering global collaborations. The Chief Guest, Ms. Azusa Kubota from China Agricultural University, China, delivered an inspiring address that resonated with the symposium's theme.

Eminent keynote speakers, Dr. Yuguang Zhou, Associate Professor in Agricultural Engineering at China Agricultural University, and Dr. Anurudda Kumara Karunaratne, Senior Lecturer in Agricultural Engineering at the University of Peradeniya, shared valuable insights on cutting-edge agricultural practices and research. The inaugural session concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Mr. G. Niroash, Secretary of ISA 2025, marking the success of another milestone in advancing modern agriculture for a food-secure future.

The event also featured the launch of the Symposium Proceedings and an engaging interactive session, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) with students, strengthening the link between academia and global development partners. A series of research paper presentations showcased innovative findings, culminating in a closing wrap-up by Prof. (Mrs) P. Premanandarajah.



Empowering Students: Workshop Highlights the Importance of Mentoring and Feedback



A thought-provoking workshop on “The Importance of Student Mentoring and Leveraging Student Feedback” was conducted on March 26, 2025, for the Second-Year Second-Semester (2021/2022) batch of students. The session, held from 2:00 to 3:00 PM, was led by Prof. (Mrs.) Niranjana Rodney Fernando, Coordinator of the Faculty Quality Assurance Cell (FQAC).



The workshop emphasized the crucial role that effective mentoring plays in students’ personal and academic growth, while also highlighting how constructive feedback can be used to enhance the learning experience. Students were encouraged to actively engage with mentors and to see feedback as an empowering tool for continuous improvement.

This initiative reflects the Faculty’s commitment to fostering a supportive learning environment that nurtures confident, self-driven, and reflective graduates.

FACULTY OF ARTS & CULTURE

Building Bridges for the Future: Faculty of Arts and Culture Holds Annual Stakeholder Meeting

The Faculty of Arts and Culture successfully held its annual stakeholder meeting for 2024 on 05 February 2025, bringing together a vibrant gathering of voices committed to shaping the Faculty’s future.

A select group of 60 stakeholders, including Professors of the Faculty, government and private sector officers, employees, and distinguished alumni, came together to share valuable insights and perspectives on the essential skills and capacities needed by future Arts and Culture graduates.

The meeting provided a meaningful platform for open dialogue, ensuring that the faculty remains responsive to the evolving demands of the professional world while equipping students with the knowledge, skills, and values to thrive.



Inauguration of the 19th Batch of MBBS Students – Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, proudly inaugurated the 19th Batch of MBBS students for the Academic Year 2023/2024 on 6th January 2025. A total of 113 students were officially enrolled at the ceremony held at the Faculty premises.

The event was graced by the presence of Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice-Chancellor, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, and Prof. T. Sathaananthan, Dean, Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, along with Heads of Departments, academic and extended faculty members, new students, and their parents. The newly admitted students were warmly welcomed by the Vice-Chancellor and the Dean, marking the beginning of their promising journey toward becoming dedicated medical professionals.



Validation of Geriatric Assessment Laboratory at the Faculty of Health-Care Sciences

The Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, marked a significant milestone with the inauguration and validation of its Geriatric Assessment Laboratory on 24th February 2025 at the Holistic Care Centre. The laboratory was established under the CAPAGE Project, an ERASMUS+ initiative co-funded by the European Union, aimed at promoting academic and professional excellence in health care to address the challenges of aging in Sri Lanka.

The validation was carried out by European partners Senior Lecturer K. Grahn and Senior Lecturer P. Mäki-Natunen from JAMK University of Applied Sciences, Finland, alongside Sri Lankan collaborators, the Senior Academics of the Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, Dr. S. Sujendran, Dr. V. Lokeesan, Dr. K. Karthijekan, Prof. T. Sathaananthan, Prof. K. Arulanandem, and Ms. A.M.S.S. Alahakoon. The laboratory serves as a centre for functional assessment, research, and clinical rehabilitation, offering tailored programs in mobility improvement, pain management, fall prevention, and well-being of older adults. It stands as a hub for teaching, learning, and research in geriatric nursing, empowering healthcare professionals to enhance the quality of life of the aging population.



Family Medicine in Transition: Exploring Emerging Trends and Transformative Solutions

The Family Medicine Clinical Workshop 2025, themed “Family Medicine in Transition: Exploring Emerging Trends and Transformative Solutions,” was successfully organized by the Department of Primary Health Care, Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, on 1st March 2025.

The event was graced by distinguished guests, including Dr. Asela Gunawardena, Deputy Director General of Health Services (Chief Guest); Prof. T. Sathaananthan, Dean of the Faculty; Dr. K. Ganeshalingam, Director, Teaching Hospital Batticaloa; and Dr. R. Muraleeswaran, Regional Director of Health Services, Batticaloa, along with other esteemed invitees such as Dr. G. S. P. Ranasinghe, Director of Education, Training and Research, and Dr. Manuri Perera, Deputy Director in Training.

Eminent experts from leading universities and hospitals across Sri Lanka contributed to sessions on postgraduate training, clinical innovation, and emerging healthcare trends. The workshop brought together medical officers, registrars, and medical students, fostering a vibrant platform for professional development, interdisciplinary learning, and collaboration in advancing Family Medicine and Primary Health Care in Sri Lanka.

The event formally commenced with a welcome address delivered by Dr. N. Shobana, Registrar in Family Medicine and Lecturer (Probationary), followed by addresses from the distinguished guests. Prof. K. Arulanandem provided an insightful introduction to the workshop theme. Dr. Asela Gunawardena and Dr. G. S. P. Ranasinghe, who delivered the keynote addresses, emphasized the importance of primary health care services in Sri Lanka and respectively, the significance of continuous professional development.

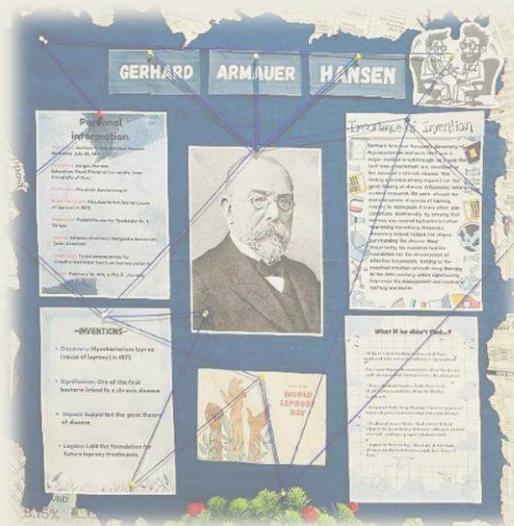
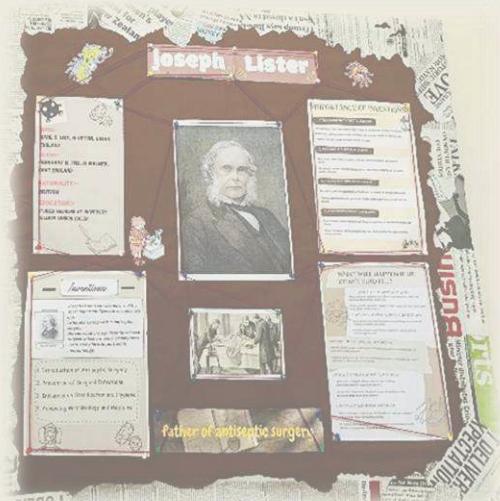


Legends of Microbiology: A Journey Through Discovery and Innovation

The Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, came alive on 20th February 2025 as the 17th Batch MBBS students, under the guidance of the Department of Pathophysiology, presented their exhibition, "Legends of Microbiology."

The interactive event featured six creatively themed stalls, highlighting the groundbreaking achievements of legendary microbiologists. From AI-powered videos of Antonie van Leeuwenhoek and Robert Hooke, to engaging quizzes, games, and hands-on activities on John Snow, Edward Jenner, Robert Koch, Ignaz Semmelweis, Louis Pasteur, Alexander Fleming, Joseph Lister, and Gerhard Henrik Armauer Hansen, students brought microbiology to life in a fun and educational manner.

Praised for its creativity, innovation, and student-led execution, the exhibition inspired curiosity and learning, leaving attendees eagerly anticipating next year's event.



FACULTY OF COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT

Opening Ceremony of the Department of Accounting and Finance

The Department of Accounting and Finance at the Faculty of Commerce and Management, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, was officially inaugurated on 1st January 2025.

The event was graced by Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, as the Chief Guest, Prof. T. Pirabaharan, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, as the Guest of Honour, and Prof. T. Velnamby as a Special Guest. The ceremony was organized under the leadership of Prof. N. Rajeswaran, Dean of the Faculty of Commerce and Management.

The event witnessed the participation of Deans of the Faculties, Heads of Departments, Senior Lecturers, Lecturers, and both academic and non-academic staff, marking a moment of pride for the Faculty and the University. Mr. T. Thayaraj was officially appointed as the Head of the Department of Accounting and Finance, symbolizing a new chapter in strengthening financial and accounting education at the University. The ceremony concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Mr. T. Paranthaman, Senior Lecturer in Commerce, expressing gratitude to all dignitaries and participants who contributed to the success of the event.



Visit of Professor Phani Tej Adidam (US Fulbright Specialist) 07th January to 15th January, 2025

The Faculty of Commerce and Management at Eastern University, Sri Lanka, had the distinct honor of hosting Professor Phani Tej Adidam, US Fulbright Specialist and esteemed academic from the Department of Marketing and Entrepreneurship, University of Nebraska at Omaha, USA. His visit aimed to enhance curriculum and faculty development under the Fulbright Specialist Program. The week-long engagement encompassed a series of strategic meetings, interactive sessions, curriculum reviews, and faculty development initiatives that aligned with the core objectives of academic advancement and international collaboration.

All scheduled programs were successfully completed as planned. The visit greatly contributed to shaping a progressive academic framework within the faculty and fostered valuable insights for both staff and students.



FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY

Faculty of Technology Ignites Innovation at ICTR 2025

The Faculty of Technology proudly organized its 2nd International Conference on “Technological Research and Innovation” (ICTR 2025) under the theme “Unlocking the Potential: Technovation in Shaping Tomorrow’s World” on January 23, 2025, at the Faculty premises.

Prof. T. Prabaharan, the Acting Vice Chancellor, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, while Senior Prof. Buddhi Marambe from the Department of Crop Science, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Peradeniya, attended as the Guest of Honour. The conference featured an inspiring Keynote Address delivered by Dr. Rajendra Adhikari, Senior Lecturer, School of Agriculture and Food Sustainability, University of Queensland, Australia. The inaugural session commenced with a warm welcome address by Dr. (Mrs.) Vanitha Prasannath, Conference Coordinator, followed by the Dean’s Address delivered by Prof. T. Mathiventhan. The Conference Proceedings, edited by Dr. A. L. Mohamed Rifky, were ceremoniously released during the event. The session also included insightful addresses by the distinguished guests and concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks by Mrs. Vassanthini Reshanth, Conference Secretary.

The day continued with vibrant technical sessions directed by the track coordinators, Eng. A. Janarth, Mrs. M. R. Roshana, Mrs. W. H. D. U. Pushpakumari, and Dr. (Mrs.) S. Santhirakanthan, showcasing 38 research papers that reflected innovative ideas and advancements in diverse fields of technology, reaffirming the Faculty’s commitment to fostering research, innovation, and collaboration in shaping a sustainable future.

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Stakeholder Meeting on Proposed Master of Education Management Programme

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, organized a stakeholder meeting on 24th January 2025 at the Senate Board Room to discuss the proposed Master of Education Management programme. The meeting aimed to gather valuable insights and recommendations from stakeholders to ensure the programme's relevance and effectiveness. The session began with an opening address by Prof. J. Kennedy, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, followed by a detailed presentation by Prof. F. B. Kennedy, Chairperson of the Board of Study, Commerce and Management, outlining the programme's objectives, structure, and potential impact.

The open discussion that followed saw active participation from academic experts and representatives of educational institutions, who provided constructive feedback on curriculum design, eligibility, and the medium of study. The meeting concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Mrs. L. Delima, in charge of the proposed programme, expressing appreciation to all participants. The event marked an important step in shaping a forward-looking and inclusive postgraduate programme.



LIBRARY NETWORK

Empowering Academic Integrity: Library Hosts Awareness Session on Turnitin

The Main Library of Eastern University, Sri Lanka, in collaboration with Turnitin India, organized an Awareness and Demonstration Programme on Turnitin Anti-Plagiarism Software on 9th January 2025 at the e-Resources Unit. The session was conducted by Mr. Binay K. Guin, Account Manager for Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, and was specially designed for the University Community. (Contd....)



Empowering Academic Integrity.....

The interactive session offered valuable insights into the features and benefits of Turnitin, a globally recognized platform for fostering originality and academic honesty. Participants gained a deeper understanding of how Turnitin supports teaching, learning, and research through effective plagiarism detection and feedback mechanisms. The event reaffirmed the Library's commitment to promoting academic integrity and responsible scholarship across the university.



University Librarian at the Indian International Conference as Invited Speaker

Dr. W. J. Jeyaraj, University Librarian, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, was invited to deliver an Invited Speech at the International Conference on “Building Sustainable Libraries in Connecting Communities: Librarianship, Technology, and Collaboration”, organized by the Department of Library and Information Science, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, India, in collaboration with the Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, under the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, held from 7th to 8th February 2025 at Bharathidasan University, Tamil Nadu, India.

Dr. Jeyaraj's thought-provoking presentation on “*Empowering Sustainable Information Hubs through Human Capital Synergy*” highlighted innovative strategies to strengthen modern knowledge infrastructures by harnessing the collective potential of human resources.



CENTRE FOR EXTERNAL DEGREES & EXTENSION COURSES (CEDEC)

Celebrating Academic Excellence: Awarding Ceremony of the Centre for External Degrees and Extension Courses

The Centre for External Degrees and Extension Courses (CEDEC) of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka, proudly organized its Awarding Ceremony on 18th January 2025 at the Technopark Auditorium, EUSL. The event was graced by a distinguished gathering that reflected the university's academic stature and commitment to lifelong learning. The event reaffirmed the Library's commitment to promoting academic integrity and responsible scholarship across the university.

The Chief Guest, Prof. V. Kanagasingam, Vice-Chancellor of the Eastern University, delivered an inspiring address emphasizing the importance of continuous education and professional development in national progress. The ceremony was further honoured by the presence of Prof. T. Prabaharan, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, and Mrs. J. J. Muraleetharan, District Secretary/Government Agent of Batticaloa, as Special Guests. The occasion was also graced by Prof. C. G. Devadason, Rector of the Trincomalee Campus, Prof. F. B. Kennedy, Director of the Swami Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies, and Prof. R. M. K. Rathnayaka, UGC Nominee for CEDEC, as Guests of Honour, along with all Deans of the Faculties including those of the Trincomalee Campus. The event marked a memorable milestone for the awardees and reaffirmed CEDEC's dedication to expanding educational opportunities and empowering learners through external and extension programmes.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SDC)

Nurturing Academic Excellence: Induction Programme for New Academic Staff Members 2024

The Induction Programme for Academic Staff Members – 2024 was successfully conducted from 11th December 2023 to 3rd September 2024 at the Staff Development Centre (SDC) Hall, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. The programme was specially designed for newly recruited academic staff members, providing them with essential insights into university teaching, learning methodologies, academic ethics, and higher education administration.

The series of training sessions aimed to enhance professional competencies and cultivate a strong sense of academic culture and institutional values among the participants. The Awarding Ceremony marking the successful completion of the programme was held on 18th January 2025, celebrating the participants' commitment to professional growth and excellence in academia.



CAREER GUIDANCE UNIT

G17 University Ambassadors Forum 2025: Inspiring Minds for a Sustainable Tomorrow

The G17 University Ambassadors Consortium, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, successfully conducted its 2023 Forum on 6th February 2025 at the Nalliah Auditorium, in collaboration with the Career Guidance Unit.

The event was a common programme for students of all faculties, established to foster engaging and insightful discussions on innovative solutions and strategies for building a sustainable future. It brought together leaders, experts, and passionate individuals committed to shaping the world of 2030 through meaningful dialogue and actionable ideas, encouraging students to think critically and contribute positively towards global progress.



Awareness Session on Higher Education in Canada: Guiding Students Towards Safe and Informed Choices

An Awareness Session on Higher Education in Canada (English Medium) was held on 11th March 2025 at the Nalliah Auditorium, organized by the Career Guidance Unit in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The programme was designed as a common session for students of the Faculties of Agriculture, Commerce & Management, Science, and Technology, as well as for students of the Faculties of Applied Science, Communication & Business Studies, and Siddha Medicine of the Trincomalee Campus.

The session featured Ms. Sophie and Ms. Uvini, officials from the Canadian High Commission in Sri Lanka, together with Ms. A. Mahesika, Project Coordinator of the IOM. It provided insightful guidance on fraud prevention and safe migration pathways related to higher education, while also covering key aspects such as the Canadian education system, study costs, permits and visas, and documentation procedures, equipping students with reliable information for pursuing their academic goals in Canada.



Awareness Session on Higher Education in Canada: Empowering Students with Knowledge and Safe

An Awareness Session on Higher Education in Canada (Tamil Medium) was held on 12th March 2025 at the Nalliah Auditorium, organized by the Career Guidance Unit in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The programme was designed as a common session for students of the Faculty of Arts and Culture, providing an excellent platform to explore academic opportunities in Canada.

The session featured Ms. Sophie and Ms. Uvini, officials from the Canadian High Commission in Sri Lanka, along with Ms. M. Mary Lambert, Project Coordinator of the IOM. It offered valuable insights into fraud prevention and safe migration pathways related to higher education. The discussion also covered key topics such as the Canadian education system, study costs, permits and visas, and the documentation and application processes, guiding students towards informed and secure decisions for their higher studies abroad.



CENTER FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE (CQA)

Workshop on Implementation of the Moderator Report and 2nd Examiner Report

The Centre for Quality Assurance conducted a Workshop on the Implementation of the Moderator Report and the Second Examiner Report on March 14, 2025. The event took place in the Boardroom of the Swamy Vipulananda Institute of Aesthetic Studies (SVIAS) at Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

The purpose of this workshop was to equip the academic staff with the necessary expertise to effectively implement the Moderator Report and the Second Examiner Report. It also provided training on best practices for moderation and second marking. The target audience for this workshop included Heads of Departments and academic staff members of SVIAS. The session was conducted by Dr. P. Elango, Director of the Centre for Quality Assurance.



AWARDS

Senior Prof. S. Thirukkanesh Places Eastern University on Asia's Scientific Map

Eastern University proudly celebrates a remarkable achievement as Senior Professor S. Thirukkanesh, Senior Professor in Mathematics, has been prestigiously named among the Top 100 Scientists in the Asian Region by the renowned Asian Scientist Magazine.

<https://www.asianscientist.com/as100/#2024>



This distinguished recognition highlights Senior Professor Thirukkanesh's exceptional research contributions to mathematics and cements his reputation as one of Asia's brightest scientific minds. The Asian Scientist 100 list annually honours researchers whose work has had a transformative impact in their fields, and this honour stands as a testament to the global standard of research excellence emerging from Eastern University.

This proud moment not only reflects Prof. Thirukkanesh's dedication and scholarly excellence but also shines a spotlight on Eastern University's growing influence and visibility within the international research community.

<https://www.asianscientist.com/scientist/suntharalingam-thirukkanesh/>

Pride of Eastern University, Sri Lanka: Mr. K. Balashangar Shares in the 2025 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics

Mr. K. Balashangar, the Senior lecturer and the Head of the Department of Physical Science attached to the Trincomalee Campus, has been recognized as one of the members of the research team honoured with the 2025 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics, one of the world's most prestigious scientific awards, often dubbed the "Oscars of Science."

This year's award celebrates the exceptional contributions of the CERN experiments (ATLAS, CMS, and ALICE) for their groundbreaking advancements in particle physics. Mr. Balashangar, as part of the CMS collaboration, made significant contributions during his PhD research, particularly in the GEM detector development, which played a crucial role in the success of the experiment. This proud moment elevates the Trincomalee Campus to international prominence and underscores the invaluable role Sri Lankan researchers continue to play in shaping the world of modern physics.

Read more on the official announcement:

<https://breakthroughprize.org/Laureates/1/L3994>



NEW APPOINTMENTS

DEANS OF THE FACULTIES



Mrs. T. PIO JUDE NAVINTHAN
Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Mathematics
Faculty of Science
DEAN
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
For Three Years from 25/02/2025



Dr. (Mrs.) D. M. HUNUPOLAGAMA
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology
Faculty of Technology
DEAN
FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY
For Three Years from 27/02/2025

HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



Mr. P. SACHITHANANTHAM
Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Comparative Religion
Head /
Dept. of Comparative Religion
& Social Harmony
Faculty of Arts and Culture
For Three Years from 23/03/2025



Prof. P. ELANGO
Professor in Mathematics,
Head /
Dept. of Mathematics
Faculty of Science
For Three Years from 25/03/2025

NEW APPOINTMENTS

ACTING HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



Eng. T. VINOTHRJA
Lecturer in Computer Science / CICT
Faculty of Science
Acting Head/
Dept. of Information Technology,
Faculty of Arts and Culture,
For One month from 11/01/2025.
Followed by another one month from 11/02/2025



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 23/01/2025



Dr (Mrs) V. PRASANNATH
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology
Acting Head/
Dept. of Multidisciplinary Studies,
Faculty of Technology
For One month from 02/02/2025.
Followed by another one month from 01/03/2025



Mr. P. SACHITHANANTHAM
Senior Lecturer Gr. I in
Comparative Religion and Social Harmony
Acting Head/
Dept. of Comparative Religion & Social Harmony,
Faculty of Arts and Culture,
For One month from 23/02/2025

NEW APPOINTMENTS



Prof. P. ELANGO
Professor in Mathematics
Acting Head/
Dept. of Mathematics,
Faculty of Science
For One month from 25/02/2025.



Dr. (Mrs.) S. SANTHIRAKANTHAN
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology
Acting Head/
Dept. of Biosystems Technology,
Faculty of Technology
For One month from 01/03/2025.



Mr. R. KIRUPARAJAH
Senior Lecturer Gr. I in Geography
Acting Head/
Dept. of Geography,
Faculty of Arts and Culture
For One month from 06/03/2025.



Mrs. THAKSHAAYINI RAJENDRAM
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Education and Childcare
Acting Head/
Dept. of Education and Childcare,
Faculty of Arts and Culture
For One month from 01/03/2025.

NEW APPOINTMENTS



Dr. A. J. M. HARRIS
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Zoology
Acting Head/ Dept. of Zoology,
Faculty of Science
For One month from 25/03/2025.

CHAIRMAN OF A TASK FORCE



Prof. S. SUTHARSDAN
Professor in Crop Science
Faculty of Agriculture
Chairman
Digitalization Task Force
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
For Three months from 18/11/2024
Followed by an Extension from 18/02/2025 to 06/05/2025

NEW APPOINTMENTS

DIRECTORS



Mr. R. SAKUNDARAJ
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Computer Science
Faculty of Science
Director
Centre for Information and
Communication Technology,
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
Extended for One month from 23/02/2025.



Prof. P. RODNEY FERNANDO
Professor in Physics
Faculty of Science
Director
Center for
Multidisciplinary Research (CMR)
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
Extended for One month from 28/03/2025.

COORDINATORS



Prof. (Mrs.) JEYAPRABA SURESH
Professor in Economics
Faculty of Commerce and Management
Coordinator for
Registration & Examination (CEDEC)
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
For One month from 02/03/2025.



Mrs. V. THIVAKARAN
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Tamil Studies
Faculty of Arts and Culture
Programme Coordinator for
Diploma in English (DELT)
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
For One Year from 10/03/2025.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

ACADEMIC CAREER GUIDANCE ADVISORS



Mrs. L. DELIMA
Lecturer (Unconfirmed) in Management
Dept. of Management
Academic Career Guidance Advisor
Faculty of Commerce & Management.
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
Three Years from 07/02/2025.



Dr. T. MEGARAJAH
Lecturer (Unconfirmed) in Tamil
Dept. of Tamil Studies
Academic Career Guidance Advisor
Faculty of Arts & Culture.
Eastern University, Sri Lanka
Three Years from 10/03/2025.

STUDENT COUNSELLORS



Dr. T. M. S. A. TENNAKOON
Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Agric. Biology
Faculty of Agriculture
Student Counsellor
One Year from 19/03/2025.



Mr. G. NIROASH
Lecturer (Prob.) in Agric. Engineering
Faculty of Agriculture
Student Counsellor
One Year from 19/03/2025.



Mrs.
VANAJAH LIYINTHAN
Lecturer (Prob.) in Animal Science
Faculty of Agriculture
Student Counsellor
One Year from 19/03/2025.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

WARDEN



Dr. A. L. M. RIFKY

Senior Lecturer Gr. II in Biosystems Technology

Faculty of Technology

Student Counsellor

One Year from 24/03/2025.

NEW APPOINTMENTS - ACADEMIC STAFF

S/N	Name	Appointed to the Post of	Department	Effective Date from..
1	Mrs. Shelomeya Delima	Lecturer (Unconfirmed)	Dept. of Management, Faculty of Commerce and Management	01.01.2025
2	Ms. S. Keerthiga	Lecturer (Prob.)	Dept. of Agric. Biology, Faculty of Agriculture	01.01.2025
3	Mrs. Anula Mayuraj	Lecturer (Prob.)	Dept. of Crop Science, Faculty of Agriculture	01.01.2025

PROMOTIONS

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF PROFESSOR



Prof. M. KONESWARAN
Professor in Chemistry

Faculty of Science
From 27/11/2023



Prof. P. ELANGO
Professor in Mathematics

Faculty of Science
From 29/12/2023



Prof. S. JEGANATHAN
Professor in Philosophy

Faculty of Arts and Culture
From 19/06/2024



Prof. P. MAYURATHAN
Professor in Medicine

Faculty of Healthcare Sciences
From 07/10/2024



Prof. K. PRASANNATH
**Professor
in Agric. Biology**

Faculty of Agriculture
From 01/01/2025

PROMOTIONS OF NON-ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS

PROMOTED TO THE HIGHER GRADES

S/N	Name	Promotional Post	Department	Effective Date of Promotion
1	Ms. C. S. V. Chrushanthan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Academic Establishments, EUSL	03.12.2018
2	Ms. L Sathees	Management Assistant Gr.II	Dept. of Medical Education & Research, Faculty of Health Care Sciences, EUSL	03.12.2019

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3	Ms. R Nijanthan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Dept. of Clinical Sciences, Faculty of Health Care Sciences, EUSL	02.04.2020
4	Mr. Nallathamby Kanthasamy	Library Attendant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.11.2021
5	Mr. Sulaima Lebbe Hamsa	Storeman Gr.I	Stores & Supplies, EUSL	01.03.2022
6	Mr. Erampu Susiyanthan	Record Keeper Gr.I	Academic Establishment, EUSL	01.06.2022
7	Mr. Antony Sylvester Prashanthan	Record Keeper Gr.I	Accounts and Budget, EUSL	01.06.2022
8	Mr.T Supashchandranathan	Carpenter Gr.1	Engineering Service Division, EUSL	03.06.2022
9	Mr. Thambinayagam Srikanthan	Driver (Special Grade)	General Service Division, EUSL	13.09.2022
10	Mr. J Prince Andrew	Management Assistant Gr.II	Finance Department, EUSL	05.10.2022
11	Mr. MI Sarjoon	Management Assistant Gr.II	Career Guidance Unit, EUSL	06.10.2022
12	Mr. S Supananth	Management Assistant Gr.II	Office of the Dean, Faculty of Science, EUSL	06.10.2022
13	Mr. Nesakumaran Jasokararaj	Management Assistant Gr.II	Centre for External Degrees and Extension Courses, EUSL	03.12.2022
14	Mr. T Vithiyatharan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Academic Establishments, EUSL	03.04.2023
15	Mr. L Aneruthan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Stores & Supplies Division, EUSL	03.04.2023
16	Ms. K Mathushika	Management Assistant Gr.II	Office of the Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, EUSL	03.04.2023
17	Mr. Arasaretnam Sirtharan	Driver (Special Grade)	General Service Division, EUSL	04.08.2023
18	Mr. Kumaravadivel Meharasa	Driver (Special Grade)	General Service Division, EUSL	04.08.2023
19	Mr. Elayathamby Perinparasa	Works Aide Gr.I	General Service Division, EUSL	04.08.2023
20	Mr. Selvam Mahendran	Works Aide Gr.I	Dept. of Agric Biology, EUSL	04.08.2023

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21	Mr. Sangarapillai Kumar	Works Aide Gr.I	Dept. of Economics, Faculty of Commerce & Management EUSL	04.08.2023
22	Mr. Rasamanikam Paskaran	Library Attendant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.09.2023
23	Ms. R Gathyaini	Management Assistant Gr.II	Academic Establishments, EUSL	03.10.2023
24	Mr. K Ketheeshan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Office of the Registrar	03.10.2023
25	Ms. K Kovini	Management Assistant Gr.II	Student Affairs Department, EUSL	03.10.2023
26	Ms. K Pakeerathan	Management Assistant Gr.II	Dept. of Supplementary Health Sciences, FHCS, EUSL	03.10.2023
27	Mr. Jeyachandran Jeyaras	Mason Gr.I	Engineering Service Division, EUSL	24.10.2023
28	Mr. Sarangapany Abarajithan	Electrician Gr.I	Engineering Service Division, EUSL	24.10.2023
29	Mr. Sithiravel Ravichandran	Plumber Gr.I	Engineering Service Division, EUSL	01.12.2023
30	Mr. Kumarasamy Puvitharan	Management Assistant Gr.I	Office of the Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, EUSL	03.12.2023
31	Mr. Kamalanathan Kamalaruban	Management Assistant Gr.I	Office of the Dean Faculty of Arts & Culture, EUSL	03.12.2023
32	Mr. Mohamed Ismail Mohamed Nifras	Management Assistant Gr.I	Stores & Supplies Division, EUSL	03.12.2023
33	Mrs. Mayuran Nirogini	Management Assistant Gr.I	Dept. of Education & Childcare, EUSL	13.12.2023
34	Mr. Rienzie Ravichandren Thambimuthu	Management Assistant Gr.I	Dept. of Economics Faculty of Commerce & Management, EUSL	13.12.2023

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35	Mr. Sellathurai Gnanatheepan	Technical Officer Gr.I	Dept. of Human Biology, Faculty of Health-Care Science, EUSL	01.01.2024
36	Mrs. Meharasa Sharmila	Technical Officer Gr.I	Dept. of Agric. Engineering, Faculty of Agriculture, EUSL	01.01.2024
37	Mrs. Atputhamalar Sasikaran	Senior Staff Management Assistant	Dept. of Management, Faculty of Com. & Mgt, EUSL	01.01.2024
38	Mr. Jayapathmanathan Jude Hilarian	Management Assistant Gr.II	Dept. of Hindu Civilization, EUSL	19.02.2024
39	Mrs. Sasikaladevi Sivakaran	Management Assistant Gr.I	Office of the Dean Faculty of Science, EUSL	01.03.2024
40	Mrs. Hetharaniya Sithisan	Library Information Assistant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.03.2024
41	Mr. Joseph Francis David Prasath	Library Information Assistant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.03.2024
42	Ms. Nesagopal Gopika	Library Information Assistant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.03.2024
43	Mrs. Gajani Yaseeharan	Library Information Assistant Gr.I	Library, EUSL	01.03.2024
44	Mr. Mahendran Kumaran	Technical Officer Gr.I	Dept. of Pathophysiology, Faculty of Health-Care Science, EUSL	01.04.2024
45	Mr. Jeyachandran Sivagowri	Technical Officer Gr.I	Dept. of Human Biology, Faculty of Health-Care Science, EUSL	01.04.2024
46	Mrs. Kapuralalage Thilini Sandamali	Management Assistant Gr.I	Office of the Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, EUSL	02.04.2024
47	Mr. Thavarasa Sashukaran	Management Assistant Gr.I	Office of the Dean, Faculty of Health-Care Sciences, EUSL	02.04.2024
48	Mrs. Princy Jenita Calistas Sujith	Management Assistant Gr.I	Capital Works and Planning, EUSL	02.04.2024

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49	Mr. S Krishnarajah	Management Assistant Gr.II	Non-Academic Establishments, EUSL	03.04.2024
50	Miss. Muttiah Gayathri	Staff Assistant/Library Services	Library-Health Care Sciences, EUSL	01.06.2024
51	Mr. Namasivayam Nadarajah	Laboratory Attendant (Special Grade)	Dept. of Physics, EUSL	01.06.2024
52	Ms. P Anumitha	Management Assistant Gr.II	Center for External Degrees and Extension Courses, EUSL	01.06.2024
53	Mr. Kumarasamy Vijayakumar	Laboratory Attendant (Special Grade)	Dept. of Zoology, EUSL	01.06.2024
54	Mr. Arulampalam Poozithan	Technical Officer Gr.II “Seg. A”	Dept. of Physics, Faculty of Science, EUSL	02.07.2024
55	Mr. Vettivel Sasikaran	Technical Officer Gr.II “Seg. A”	Dept. of Biosystems Technology, Faculty of Technology, EUSL	02.07.2024
56	Mr. Sivalingham Yogarasa	Works Aide (Special Grade)	Dept. of Botany, EUSL	03.08.2024
57	Mrs. Ganeshalingam Sinthuja	Management Assistant Gr.II (Book- Keeping)	Accounts and Budget Division, EUSL	24.12.2024

NON - ACADEMIC STAFF

RETIREMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY CAREER

Name	Designation	Department / Faculty Attached	Date of Retirement
Mr. Arumugam Karunaharan	Security Guard (Supra Grade)	Security Department	06.01.2025
Mr. Satchithanantham Thiruchelvam	Laboratory Attendant Gr.III	Dept. of Biosystems Technology, Faculty of Technology,	31.03.2025

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NEW APPOINTMENTS - ACADEMIC STAFF

S/N	Name	Appointed to the Post of...	Department	Effective Date of Promotion
1	Dr. (Mrs). Sivatheepan Sivalathajini	Senior Lecturer Gr. II	Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai, (Pathology & Clinical Sciences) Faculty of Siddha Medicine	02.10.2024
2	Dr. (Mrs). Sasvatha Sivapathis	Senior Lecturer Gr. II	Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai, (Pathology & Clinical Sciences) Faculty of Siddha Medicine	05.11.2024
3	Mr. V Thanushiyian	Lecturer (Prob)	Dept. of Gunapadam, Faculty of Siddha Medicine	02.10.2024
4	Ms. Dilakshi Sritharan	Lecturer (Prob)	Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai Faculty of Siddha Medicine	02.10.2024
5	Ms. Shankeerna Subendran	Lecturer (Prob)	Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai Faculty of Siddha Medicine	02.10.2024
6	Mr. Nagarasa Harishanth	Lecturer (Prob)	Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai Faculty of Siddha Medicine	02.10.2024
7	Dr. (Mrs). Logeswary Sooriyakumaran	Lecturer (Unconfirmed)	Dept. of Business and Management Studies. Faculty of Communication and Business Studies	29.03.2025

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PROMOTED TO THE POST OF PROFESSOR



Prof. N. VARNAKULENDRAN
Professor in Gunapadam
(Siddha Pharmacology)

Faculty of Siddha Medicine
With effect from 18/10/2021

PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR LECTURER Gr. I



Dr. V. ANAVARATHAN
Senior Lecturer Gr. II
Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. I
Dept. of Noinaadal Chikitsai
(Pathology & Clinical Sciences)
Faculty of Siddha Medicine
With effect from 27/11/2023



Dr. G. A. P. K. GANEGODA
Senior Lecturer Gr. II
Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. I
Dept. of Languages and Communication Studies
Faculty of Communication and Business Studies
With effect from 18/01/2024

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PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR LECTURER Gr. II



Ms.

THANUSHIYA THANUJAN

Lecturer (Prob)

Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. II

Dept. of Computer Science,
Faculty of Applied Science

With effect from 20/07/2023



Dr. B. SARANGAN

Lecturer (Prob)

Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. II

Dept. of
Business and Management Studies,
Faculty of
Communication and Business Studies
With effect from 26/02/2024



Mrs. JENITTA RESI TONY

Lecturer (Prob)

Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. II

Dept. of
Business and Management Studies,
Faculty of
Communication and Business Studies
With effect from 19/04/2024



Mr. M. S. ISHAR ALI

Lecturer (Prob)

Promotion to the Post of
Senior Lecturer Gr. II

Dept. of
Business and Management Studies,
Faculty of
Communication and Business Studies
With effect from 19/04/2024

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PROMOTED TO THE POST OF SENIOR ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN Gr. II



Mrs. KRISHANTHYSIVALINGAM

Assistant Librarian

Promotion to the Post of
Senior Assistant Librarian. Gr. II

Library

With effect from 16/08/2023

PROMOTIONS - ACADEMIC SUPPORT STAFF



Mr. T. LEENAS

Programmer Cum System Analyst Gr II

Promotion to the Post of
Programmer Cum System Analyst

Gr. I

Information Technology Centre

With effect from 01/10/2023



Mr. S. RUSHANTHAN

Instructor in English Gr III

Promotion to the Post of
Instructor in English Gr. II

Dept. of Languages and Communication Studies

With effect from 09/01/2024

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PROMOTIONS – NON - ACADEMIC STAFF

S/N	Name	Promoted to the Post of...	Department	Effective Date of Promotion
1	Mrs. L. R. Robert Jeyachandran	Senior Staff Management Assistant	Office of the Deputy Registrar	01.10.2023
2	Mr. P. Sureshkumar	Staff Management Asst. (Storekeeping)	Store & Supplies Division	03.12.2023
3	Mr. M. G. Ruchira Sudarshana	Management Assistant Gr. II (Book Keeping)	Financial Administration	03.10.2022
4	Mrs. E. M. C. Sewwandhi Ekanayake	Management Assistant Gr. II	Students Affairs Division	06.10.2022
5	Mr. M. Thavarajan	Management Assistant Gr. II	Academic Affairs Division	03.10.2023
6	Mr. M. M. M. Muzakeer	Management Assistant Gr. II	Store and Supply Services	03.04.2024
7	Mr. N. Vinthusan	Management Assistant Gr. II	Financial Administration	03.04.2024
8	Mrs. N. Rajmohan	Management Assistant Gr. II	Engineering Services Division	05.06.2024
9	Mrs. T. Usha	Management Assistant Gr. II	Dept. of Languages and Communication Studies, Faculty of Communication and Business Studies	05.06.2024
10	Ms. V. Gayathiri	Sub Warden Gr. I (Full Time)	Women's Hostel,	01.08.2024
11	Mr. S. Rubakumar	Library Attendant (Special Grade)	Library,	05.02.2024
12	Mr. A R M Lafeer	Security Guard (Higher Grade)	General Administration	16.12.2023
13	Mr. N A M Nafeel	Security Guard (Higher Grade)	General Administration,	12.03.2019
14	Mr. N Sivakumar	Works Aide (Special Grade)	Dept. of Computer Science	01.10.2023



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