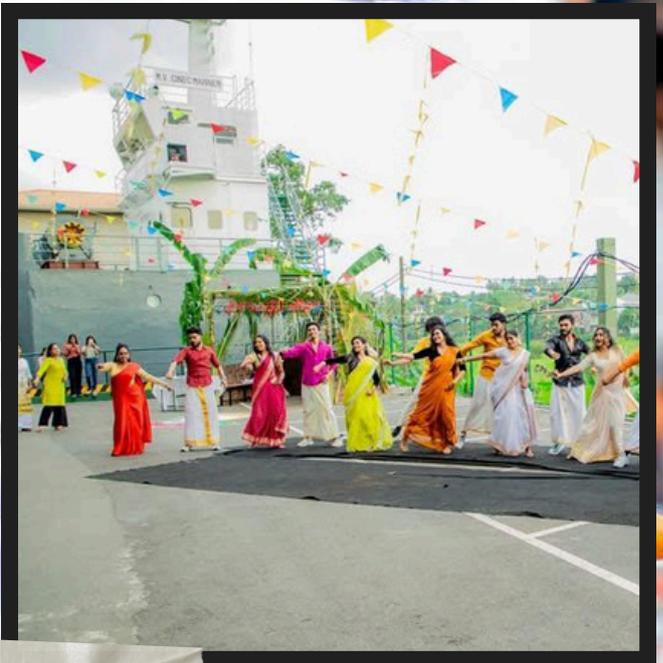


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CINEC CAMPUS MALABE FROM THE 1ST OF JANUARY TO THE 30TH
MARCH 2025 ◆

KEY NEWS

THAI PONGAL CELEBRATIONS 2025: **A CELEBRATION OF PROSPERITY AND ABUNDANCE**

JAN-MAR 2025



In a magnificent display of colour, traditions and festivity, the annual Thai Pongal celebrations, held on the 3rd of February 2025, brought forth an atmosphere of festivity, brightening the spirits of everyone present.

The premises were tastefully decorated, suitable for the occasion, and everyone was dressed in multitudes of various colours, which added even more character to the event. The traditions were observed in a timely manner with the given reverence observed by everyone present at the premises;

the celebrations began with gusto, where numerous cultural dance items contributed to the lively atmosphere and traditional food items were distributed among the gathering.

The presence of everyone, both members of the staff and students alike, contributed to make the event a success. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the organisers of the celebrations who were committed to making the event a success.



KEY NEWS

STEP FIRST TO THE CROWN; CINEC AWURUDU KUMARA-KUMARIYA 2025.

JAN-MAR 2025

The CINEC Awurudu Kumara-Kumariya 2025, one of the most glamorous highlights of the CINEC Wasantha Udanaya '25, officially began with its first audition held on 28th February 2025 at the CINEC Auditorium. Organised by the CINEC Students' Association, the event was a grand celebration of youth, beauty, and cultural spirit.



This first audition drew over 80 participants, each showcasing their style, charisma, and personality before the judging panel. An esteemed judge panel consisting of Mr Rukmal Senanayake, Mr Chandimal Jayasinghe, Mrs Ishadi Amanda, Ms Upeksha Swarnamali, Mr Praneeth Ranaweera and Ms Chulakshi Ranathunga determined the final 24. After a competitive round filled with confidence and charm, 12 handsome princes and 12 graceful princesses were carefully chosen to continue to the next round.

The selected 24 contestants then advanced to the next stage, the Talent Show Round, held in early April. This exclusive round provided them with the opportunity to showcase their unique skills, creativity, and stage presence, proving that the title of Awurudu Kumara and Kumariya is not only about appearance but also about talent, versatility, and personality.

This event was proudly sponsored by the Model with Ruki Modelling Academy, whose support elevated the standard of the show and provided professional exposure to the participants. The successful conclusion of the first audition, followed by the spirited talent showcase, has set a high standard for the remainder of the competition. With elegance, artistry, and youthful energy already shining through, anticipation is building as CINEC Awurudu Kumara-Kumariya 2025 moves closer to crowning this year's Prince and Princess.

KEY NEWS

IFTAR '25

JAN-MAR 2025

The Majlis of CINEC, along with the CINEC Student's Media Circle, initiated IFTAR '25 – A Special Pre-Ramadan Celebration. In the evening of 12th March 2025, the students, the faculty, and the staff were gathered together at the Klaus E. Oldendorff Auditorium to embrace the warmth of spirituality, culture, and community.



In IFTAR'25, the event began with the prayers conducted by the religious leaders. There the inspirational messages about the significance of Ramadan and communal unity were shared by the student leaders and Muslim Majlis members. This spiritual session was then followed by a Ceremonial meal indulged with a mouth-watering feast.

By breaking the fast together, the participants did enjoy the refreshments practising the Ramadan rituals while bonding with each other over their respective religious borders. IFTAR'25, was taken as an enhancement of thoughts on Campus life, valuing the unity and respect within a multi - cultural academic community.



KEY NEWS

NATIONAL SEAFARERS DAY 2025

JAN-MAR 2025

CINEC Campus proudly hosted this year's National Seafarers Day on March 21, 2025, an occasion of special significance for the institution because of its proud tradition of producing skilled seafarers who continue to serve the nation with distinction. This was the second annual celebration, following last year's inaugural event at Hotel Shangri-La.



The ceremony welcomed Director General of Merchant Shipping Mr. T. H. B. Asanga Deshapriya as the Chief Guest, together with a distinguished gathering that included maritime personals, Capt. Nirmal Silva; harbor Master of Sri Lanka Ports Authority, Dr. Lesley Hemachandra; Chief Examiner of Engineers at Ministry of Ports and Aviation, President Capt. Ajith Peiris, Chief of Staff of Navy; Rear Admiral Damian Fernando representing Commander of Navy; Vice Admiral Kanchana Banagoda, and other honored members from Company of Master Mariners Sri Lanka, Nautical Institute SL Branch, The Society of Chief Engineers Marine Sri Lanka, and The Institute of Maritime Engineering, Science and Technology (IMarEST). The festivities began in the campus auditorium with a vibrant welcome by the cadet marching band. A colorful parade by cadets honoured the chief guest and set an enthusiastic tone for the day, followed by engaging cultural performances from campus cadets and the Sri Lankan Navy dance group. Delivering the keynote address, the director general highlighted the invaluable contributions and sacrifices of seafarers, stressing their vital role in the country's maritime heritage.



The celebration not only served as an important reminder of the vital role seafarers engage in to support the welfare and growth of the country but also to celebrate and inspire future generations to make progress through dedication and discipline. The event concluded with the presentation of a token of appreciation to the chief guest as a heartfelt memento of the occasion, marking a proud and memorable celebration of National Seafarers Day at CINEC Campus.

EDUCATION/ FACULTY NEWS

A DAY OF GREAT HONOUR AND ACHIEVEMENT: BATCH 46/FC CADET PASSING OUT CEREMONY

JAN-MAR 2025

The 10 th of January stood witness to a momentous milestone of great honour and achievement. It marked a day where the cadets would embark on a new chapter of their lives.



Held at the Klaus E. Orlendorff Auditorium with the attendance of the deans, staff and the cadets. The ceremony was successfully conducted with adherence to traditions, which was honoured by the lighting of the oil lamp, marking the start of the prestigious ceremony. With words of wisdom imparted on the cadets by their instructors, the cadets received their certificates with felicitations from everyone present. We would like to wish the cadets all the very best for their momentous journey!



MANAGEMENT MASTERPIECE ' 25: A PRODUCTIVE SESSION ON VIDEO PRODUCTION

JAN-MAR 2025



Held on the 22 nd of January 2025 and hosted by the amazing hosts Jana and Priya the day stood witness to an amazing wealth of knowledge and practical application of it in real time.

Attended by the lecturers and students of the faculty, the event was a success, with the students being trained in the arts of storytelling, video scripting, filming, and editing, making it a very valuable session which developed students' creativity.



THRONE FEST '25: AN ELECTRIC AND ACTION-PACKED WELCOME!!



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From dancing performances to singing performances to a drama, the students had the audience enthralled and glued to their performances. The day was truly momentous and was packed with an infectious, fun-filled energy, entertaining everyone present.

ରକ୍ଷାକାରୀ PHASE 1- LENDING A SUPPORTING HAND TO THOSE IN NEED

JAN-MAR 2025

The students of the Banking and Finance department of CINEC Campus set an example to all of us with their organisation and execution of this profound project, which definitely brightened up some young minds.



Conducted on the 1 st and 2 nd of February 2025, the project kickstarted with the cleaning and tidying of the premises of Camilla School, Mattegoda. The school which caters to special needs students in the area, looked radiant after the fresh coats of paint were applied and the premises were tidied up by the students. This little deed would have surely put a smile on the faces of the children once they saw their school.

It is the little things that help create a change in someone's world. The students of the banking and finance department gave us an example of that very fact.



EDUCATION/ FACULTY NEWS

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR 9 TH BATCH.

JAN-MAR 2025

The faculty of Health Science warmly welcomed its newest batch (9 th) of students on 3 rd February, 2025, marking the beginning of an exciting academic journey for those entering the Bachelor of Science (Honours), Higher Diploma, and Higher National Diploma programmes.



The event organised by the students of the faculty, was graced by the presence of the Dean of the Faculty of Health Science, Senior Professor Menik Hettihewa, academic and non-academic staff of the faculty, students and parents.

Addressing the gathering, Senior Professor Menik Hettihewa shared invaluable insight and guidance, inspiring the students to embrace both challenges and opportunities as they embark on their higher education journey.

The ceremony concluded with reflecting on the commitment of the Faculty of Health Science to nurture excellence and empower the next generation of healthcare professionals.



EDUCATION/ FACULTY NEWS

INAUGURATION CEREMONY – BATCH 12 OF AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE ENGINEERING: “A SHARED STORY BY THE SKILLED AND PROUD REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FIELD.”

JAN-MAR 2025

The Aircraft Maintenance Engineering at CINEC Campus celebrated the Batch 12 Inauguration Ceremony on 17 th March, 2025. The occasion deepened the bond of the prodigies and the novices of the field through constructive discussions.



The ceremony commemorated with advice and experiences delivered from a distinguished panel of guests, sharing their excellency. The industry experts were able to give an insight regarding the roles that can be taken into account in the ever-evolving world of aviation engineering.

The occasion officially marked its conclusion with Batch 12 venturing on a new era. Enlightening their thoughts, knowledge and skills accommodating to a transformative journey.



EDUCATION/ FACULTY NEWS

NURSING CAPPING CEREMONY 2025

JAN-MAR 2025

The first Capping Ceremony of Higher National Diploma in Nursing students (Batch 01) was held on 27 th March 2025, at the CINEC auditorium, marking the commencement of a new journey in CINEC history.



The gathering was warmly welcomed by the Dean of the Faculty, Senior Professor Menik Hettihewa, followed by inspirational speeches delivered by President Captain Ajith Peiris, Chief guests Prof. S.S.P. Warnakulasooriya and Prof. A.A.T.D. Amarasekara.

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The ceremony was attended by the Guests of Honor, Professor S.S.P. Warnakulasooriya and Professor A.A.T.D. Amarasekara; President Captain Ajith Peiris; Senior Consultant Admiral Thisara Samarasinghe; Vice President Miss Tharanga Gamage; Vice President Captain Peshala Medagama; Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences Senior Professor Menik Hettihewa; esteemed lecturers; faculty members; and the students. The ceremony unfolded with the rendition of the CINEC anthem and the traditional lighting of the oil lamp. Students paid floral tributes to Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, in a moving gesture of respect.



CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

PULSE OF HOPE - CONNECTING HEARTS, **SAVING LIVES**

JAN-MAR 2025

Under the Leo District 306 C1, the Leo Club of CINEC Campus launched "Pulse of Hope", a blood donation programme. On 8 February 2025, at Halbarawa Pinketha Premises, this undertaking was represented as " a tapestry of kindness painted in red ", giving many of donors an opportunity to make a life-saving impact out of their generosity.

The club's coordinated efforts ensured a smooth progression, with collaboration between the club members and the medical staff. The club extended heartfelt gratitude to all donors, the dedicated medical team, enthusiastic volunteers, and the supporters for elevating the impact of the project which emphasised that every little drop of blood matters and gives hope for life.

"Pulse of Hope - Connecting Hearts, Saving Lives" exemplified Leo club's values of service, leadership, and compassion. With the success of this campaign, the Leo Club of CINEC Campus reaffirms its commitment towards fulfilling social responsibilities and looks forward to its next opportunity to give back.



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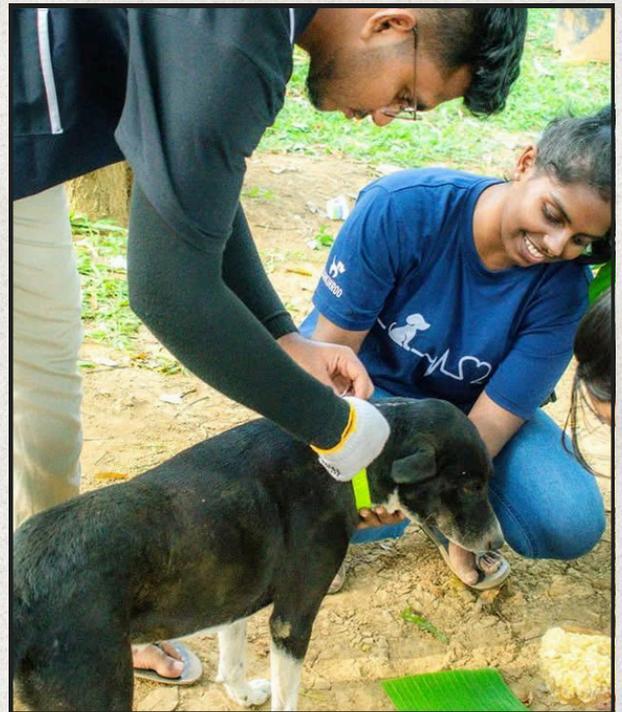
“SAFER PAWIES – PHASE 01: A STEP TAKEN TO ENRICH THE KINDRED SPIRITS OF THE SPEECHLESS!”

ORGANISED BY: LEO CLUB OF CINEC CAMPUS.

JAN-MAR 2025

The Leo Club of CINEC Campus proudly concluded “Safer Pawies - phase 01” on the 12 th of February 2025. The project was initiated with the idea of creating an awareness among the kind hearts to “Be the Voice of the Voiceless”.

From building community engagement to providing support for the innocent lives of animals. The volunteers and the well-wishers are to be thanked for making this event a success. With the core reason of the compassionate mission of nourishing the gentle souls who are in need of the essence of humanity.



The remarkable accomplishment of the volunteers has established the thought of embarking on another phase to give comfort and assurance. The awaiting soul- stirring doors are yet to unfold!



CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

"A BREATH FOR A LIFE." - හුස්ම විඳින්න 2.0, A CANCER AWARENESS PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY THE LEO CLUB OF CINEC CAMPUS IN ASSOCIATION WITH CINEC STUDENTS' MEDICAL UNIT.

JAN-MAR 2025

Cancer is one of the most common non-communicable diseases in the world. It occurs when abnormal cells grow uncontrollably and invade surrounding tissues, potentially spreading to other parts of the body. Raising awareness about cancer is important for promoting early detection, reducing risk factors, and improving access to treatment. Educating communities about symptoms, screening methods, and prevention strategies helps save lives and supports those affected by the disease.



හුස්ම විඳින්න 2.0 is a cancer awareness programme organised by the Leo Club of CINEC Campus in association with the CINEC Students' Medical Unit. This initiative aims to raise awareness about cancer and its prevention among students and staff of the campus while promoting the importance of early detection and healthy lifestyle practices. හුස්ම විඳින්න 2.0 is a continuation of the හුස්ම විඳින්න series, whose aim is to raise awareness about community-based healthcare among society.

හුස්ම විඳින්න 2.0 was successfully concluded on 20th February 2025, at CINEC Campus Auditorium. The main event was led by well-known journalist and musical artist Mr. Manuranga Wijesekara,

, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Dilthara Jayalath. Dr. Buddhika Somawardana offered professional insights and guidance that significantly enhanced the value of the event.

හුස්ම විඳින්න 2.0 successfully served its purpose of spreading cancer awareness within the CINEC community. Through the combined efforts of the Leo Club of CINEC Campus and the CINEC Students' Medical Unit, the programme highlighted the importance of early detection, prevention, and healthy living. With the support of respected speakers and professionals, the event left a lasting impact, encouraging students and staff to take proactive steps towards better health and cancer awareness.

SPORTS

SMASH ARENA INVITATIONAL INTER-UNIVERSITY TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT: **CINEC SHINES!**

JAN-MAR 2025

A well-deserved round of applause goes out to Charith Wiman, Helika Adikary, Opul Alwis, and Himasara Perera for clinching the runners-up title at the SMASH ARENA Invitational Inter-University Table Tennis Tournament.

Held on the 7 th of February 2025 at the KIU Campus, our skilled table tennis players gave their absolute best, rising up to the challenge and facing it head on, achieving this coveted position and contributing to the prestige of the CINEC Campus. Our heartiest and warmest congratulations go to the team who has the potential to reach even greater heights.



SILVER BUT SPIRITED: RUNNER-UP **ACHIEVEMENT AT SLIIT RELAY CARNIVAL 2025.**

On 14 th February 2025, our men's 4x200m relay team, K.K. Kaveen Manditha, T.B. Udagedara, S.D. Pihiliange and Nisal Shenthik, delivered an outstanding performance at the SLIIT Relay Carnival, securing second place. Their disciplined effort, coordination, and determination were evident throughout the race, marking a commendable achievement for our athletics team.



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