

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter

The Annual General Meeting of IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter 2018/19 was held on 10th December 2019 at Silver Ray, Lellopitiya, Pelmadulla with the participation of nearly 100 engineers. Eng. (Prof.) S.B.S. Abayakoon was the chief guest of the event. Eng. (Prof.) T.M. Pallewatta & Eng. Arjuna Manamperi also addressed the gathering. The function was of colorful items such as engineering videos, event videos, and few dancing items. The event was followed by a raffle draw, cocktail dinner, and fellowship. The new executive committee for the session 2019/20 was appointed during AGM as follows.

Position	Name	Organization
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Committee member	Eng. T.B.K. Dharmapriya	CEB
Committee member	Eng. Charith Dayarathna	CEB
Committee member	Eng. Aruna Samaratuhunga	Irrigation Dept.
Committee member	Eng. Suhashini Ihalagama	CEB

The first committee meeting of the IESL Sabaragamuwa Provincial chapter for the session, 2019/20 was held on 18th Dec 2019 with the participation of new executive committee members. Annual event plan and new proposals were discussed at the first meeting. Thereafter, following events were organized by the IESL Sabaragamuwa Provincial Chapter according to the plan.

Event 01: Special Aloka Pooja

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter started its activities for the session 2019/20 with a Special Aloka Pooja on 23rd December 2019 at Sabaragamuwa maha Saman Devala premises with the

participation of IESL members and their families. Devala premises was lighted up through oil lamps with the name, “IESL Sabaragamuwa 2019-2020”.

Event 02: Workshop on “Key Emotional Intelligence for Leadership” (CPD)

The first CPD session of IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter 2019/20 was held successfully on 29th January 2020 at “Sapthapadi” hotel, Ratnapura. The event was conducted by Prof. Ranjith Bandara who is the head of the business school of Colombo school of business & management. It was a very interactive session as participants actively engaged with the workshop and its activities. More than 100 engineers of the province participated in the event and it was followed by a fellowship dinner.

Event 03: Whales Watching at Mirissa

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter organized a family trip on Whales watching at Mirissa sea area on 15th February 2020. Navy ship tour was started from Galle harbor at 6.00 am and participants enjoyed throughout the journey with new experiences. They got the opportunity to enjoy sea bathing in the latter part of the event at Hikkaduwa. More than 60 participants including family members gathered for the event to make it successful.

Event 04: “TALK TO SCHOOL” Program

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter together with IESL YMS jointly organized this event on 27th February 2020 at Sivali Central College, Ratnapura. The main purpose of this event was to aware of school children about the role of Engineers in society. More than 400 school children and school teachers representing provincial schools attended for the session and school children were able to clarify many things about basic engineering works and engineer’s role in the society.

Event 05: B Paper Examination

Sabaragamuwa Provincial B Paper examination was held on 15th March 2020 at Technical College, Ratnapura.

Event 06: Donation of Refrigerator for Ratnapura Teaching Hospital

Members of the IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter took initiative to donate a Refrigerator for Ratnapura Teaching hospital to initiate PCR tests which are important to identify Covid 19 patients. This donation took place on 6th April 2020 at the hospital premises with the participation of Chapter members. Chairman and Executive committee of the IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter were appreciated for the contribution made by its members of government and private institutions to make this happened.

Event 07: Field Visit to Kuruwita Industrial Zone

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter organized a field visit to Kuruwita Industrial zone on 16th June 2020. The main purpose of this visit is to identify engineering issues faced by factories within the zone and to support them through engineering solutions. IESL members representing various engineering disciplines in the province participated in this first visit and discussed operational activities and basic engineering solutions for operational issues. Sabaragamuwa Chapter hopes to continue this activity as a continuous program by supporting those entrepreneurs through engineering solutions and proposals.

Event 08: Webinar on Hybrid & Electric Vehicle Technology

IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter organized its first webinar on Hybrid & Electric vehicle technology on 27th June 2020. The event was conducted by Eng. Deeptha Appuhami, owner of Sancta maria company. The session was a very valuable session for the participants as many positive comments received about the event and attendees were able to clarify numerous things about hybrid vehicles.

Event 09: Awareness Session on Proposed Samanalawewa Water Management project

Awareness session on the proposed Samanalawewa water management project was held successfully on 23rd July 2020 at CEB Samanala complex auditorium. The session was conducted as a presentation by Eng. Somathilake, DGM-Samanala complex, Ratnapura. Members actively participated in this event and discussed many things about the future project plan and new proposals.

Upcoming Events

Event 10: Awareness session on Advanced technologies in the painting industry (September)

Event 11: Comprehensive Technical visit to Kuruwita Industrial Zone (September)

Event 12: Field visit on Orian Terra Lak Steel Company (September)

Event 13: Awareness Program on Toastmasters (October)

Event 14: Awareness session on Solar Electricity generation (October)

Event 15: Joint Field Inspection with Kalthota Paddy Farmers at Samanalawewa (October)

Event 16: Tree planting Program in Singharaja Forest Boundary (November)

(Reported by Eng. Sampath Senarathna – Editor, IESL Sabaragamuwa Chapter)



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF IESL SABARAGAMUWA CHAPTER FOR THE SESSION 2019/2020



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