



Management members of DSI Tyres handing over the equipment to Gampaha District General Hospital officials

DSI Tyres donates multipara monitors to Gampaha District General Hospital

Continuing its drive towards social responsibility projects and solidifying its position as a pioneer in tyre industry, DSI Tyres recently donated Rs. 4.8 million worth of Philips multipara monitors to the Gampaha District General Hospital. The donation was thus felt as a much needed intervention by hospital officials. "DSI Tyres commits itself to the cause of our society. At a turbulent time like this, when everyone is in the throes of a dangerous virus, we are ready to come forward and help everyone get through. Indeed, at DSI Tyres we have ensured the health and safety of our employees, along with their job security," stated Ranatunga Rajapakse. The monitors were handed over through the intervention of Dr. Shiran Dias at a ceremony presided by Samson Rubber Products General Manager – Human Resources M.H. Wasantha, Samson Rubber Products Assistant General Manager – Human Resources Amitha Kumara Lokuwithanage, as well as Dr. Saman Senanayake, Dr. Mahesh, and Dr. Ilperuma. The multipara monitor indicates heart rate, central venous pressure, non-invasive blood pressure, ECG, oxygen saturation (SpO2) and partial pressure of carbon

dioxide (PaCO2). These monitors are crucial to the Intensive Care Unit and contribute much towards the national campaign against virulent diseases such as Covid-19. The donation was thus felt as a much needed intervention by hospital officials. "DSI Tyres commits itself to the cause of our society. At a turbulent time like this, when everyone is in the throes of a dangerous virus, we are ready to come forward and help everyone get through. Indeed, at DSI Tyres we have ensured the health and safety of our employees, along with their job security," stated Ranatunga Rajapakse.

With a history of more than three decades, Samson Rubber Products exports tyre products to over 75 countries and supplies bicycle, motorcycle, trishaw and agricultural tyres as well as tubes to the local market. It enjoys a considerable reputation abroad and a significant market share at home.

Creative Software, Cambio unite to combat Covid-19

The employees of Creative Software and Cambio looked through a different lens and decided to turn part of their annual recreational budget into a generous act of kindness. Covid-19 numbers in the country have been on the rise, and they saw it fit to make an impactful contribution towards supporting national efforts to combat Covid-19.

The Meethotamulla Intermediate Care Centre has been purposed as a Covid-19 facility to treat infected patients under the supervision of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka (NHSL) and the Regional Director of Health Services, Colombo. The objective of a centre such as this is to help reduce the burden on the hospital healthcare system and support patients within a suitably equipped, safe environment and aid the recovery of all who come in through their doors.

Critical care infrastructure enhancement is important in the fight against Covid-19 and this project was facilitated by Rotary District 3220 – Sri Lanka and



The Meethotamulla Intermediate Care Centre

Maldives at the request of the Director General of Health.

The centre, now fully functional, enables care for 500 patients at any given time and is managed by the NHSL.

Together, the employees of Creative Software and Cambio have wholly facilitated the purchase of all critical care equipment, such as beds and trollies to multipara monitors, high-flow oxygen machines, oxygen cylinders and mobile ventilators.

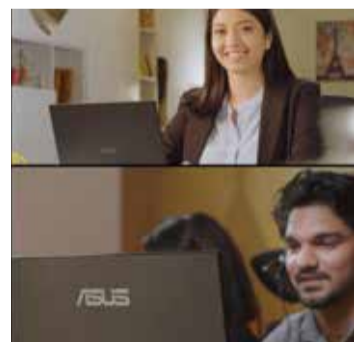
ASUS 'Expert Series' provides business and professional users powerful choices

ASUS unveiled three new laptops and desktop models in Sri Lanka designed to meet the needs of business and professional users in the country under the new "Expert Series".

The four new models include ASUS ExpertBook B1 (B1500CEA), ExpertBook B5 Flip (B5302FEA), and ExpertBook B9 (B9400CEA) laptops as well as the ExpertCenter D7 Mini Tower (D700MA) desktop.

The ASUS ExpertBook B1 is tailored for business, making it the smart choice for ambitious startups, established education organisations, and growing firms of all sizes. Boasting high performance, military-grade durability, and extensive customisation, it provides an advanced 11th Gen Intel® Core™ processor and NVIDIA® GeForce® discrete graphics.

ASUS ExpertBook B5 Flip laptop is built for business success in style, with a precision-crafted and minimalist chassis that pushes the limits of lightness – plus a 360° flippable design for ultimate flexibility. It includes an 11th Gen Intel® Core™ processor, AI noise cancellation and dual-SSD RAID support, ASUS NumberPad 2.0.



The third laptop to be unveiled is the ASUS ExpertBook B9 which delivers a sleek, precision-crafted, and minimalist chassis due to its Magnesium Lithium Alloy built that pushes the limits of lightness for ultimate portability. It is also built for serious travel thanks to its all-day battery life and is engineered with many cutting-edge technologies to improve on-the-go work efficiency.

Rounding off the new ASUS models is the ASUS ExpertCenter D7 Mini Tower, a high-performance desktop PC with enterprise-grade security and management designed for business.

For further information and online purchasing, visit www.asus.com/lk/Business/Business-Where-to-buy/

Cargills among 'Top 10 Most Admired Companies of Sri Lanka'

Cargills have been selected as one of the "Top 10 Most Admired Companies of Sri Lanka" by CIMA, ICCSL, and the Daily FT, for the second consecutive year. This recognition is a testament to the resilience of the Cargills business model in the face of the pandemic.

As an essential service provider and a leading food company, Cargills continued to meet the needs of the consumers during the pandemic. At a time when many farmers across the country were left without a marketplace,

the company provided a guaranteed market for thousands of farmers and supported their livelihoods. At the same time, Cargills ensured an increase of fresh milk collection rate to 180,000 liters per day. During the 2020/21 FY alone,

Cargills generated a direct income over Rs. 9 billion to the dairy and agriculture farming community.

Cargills launched an initiative called "Village to Home" in September 2020, with a vision to provide local entrepreneurs a platform to engage with a larger market.

By sourcing most of their raw materials locally and producing value-added consumer foods that compete

with global brands, Cargills plays an important role in saving foreign exchange for the country. Cargills food brands have become leading national brands due to their focus on quality and innovation.

Cargills continued to make investments across all business verticals and across the country. In total, the Cargills Group made Rs. 6.4 billion in capital investments during the 2020/21 FY.

iPay enables PickMe fares via LankaQR



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With iPay, the payment app introduced by Sri Lanka's globally diversified financial conglomerate – LOLC, customers can now pay their PickMe fares via the LankaQR common QR code. Through this, customers can scan the QR code and authenticate their taxi payments, food orders and other PickMe services. iPay has partnered with the country's first and leading ride-hailing app, PickMe to offer the best of convenience to its customers throughout the nation.

Through this partnership, iPay has enabled LankaQR

payments via CASA (Current Accounts, Savings Accounts) to PickMe users. Payments can be made via iPay or any LankaQR enabled app. Furthermore, QR payments via Master and Visa are enabled for the app users.

PickMe users need to follow only three simple steps to avail this service – first they need to select "Pay by QR" as the payment method in the PickMe app and a dynamic LankaQR (which will show the exact due amount) will generate in the driver's app at the end of the trip. Users

will then have to scan the particular LankaQR via iPay or any LankaQR enabled app to complete the payment.

Customers can make payments via LankaQR by simply scanning the code presented by a merchant, using any digital payment app which adheres to the LankaQR standard. The LankaQR technical specifications are issued by the CBSL, while its operating guidelines as well as its branding guidelines are issued by LankaClear (Pvt.) Ltd., with prior approval from the CBSL.

Amāna Bank recognised as the Fastest Growing Retail Bank in Sri Lanka

UK's acclaimed *Global Banking and Finance Review* magazine has adjudicated Amāna Bank as the "Fastest Growing Retail Bank in Sri Lanka" in their recent awards announcement. Having achieved a 16% growth in total assets in 2020, Amāna Bank went on to reach the milestone of Rs. 100 billion in a record time, affirming the bank's credibility of being one of Sri Lanka's progressive banks. As per the bank's mid-year performance for 2021, total assets have further grown by 9% to close at Rs. 108.7 billion while Profit Before

Tax significantly grew by over 100% to reach Rs. 506.8 million from Rs. 250.5 million recorded in H1 of 2020.

Adding to its list of accolades, Amāna Bank went further to be recognised by *Global Banking and Finance Review* as the "Best Expat Bank in Sri Lanka" in lieu of its dedicated banking proposition "Expat Gold" for Sri Lankan expatriates living overseas, as well as being recognised as the Best CSR Bank in Sri Lanka owing to the bank's flagship CSR project "OrphanCare".



Amāna Bank Vice President - Retail Banking and Marketing Siddeeqe Akbar (left), and Amāna Bank CEO Mohamed Azmeer along with the certificate received for 'Fastest Growing Retail Bank in Sri Lanka'

Singer's Signature Concept Centre opens in Colombo

The local retail company Singer's partnership with Malaysia's Signature Group last year brought kitchen systems, wardrobes, TV displays, and workstations to Sri Lanka. It opened up Sri Lankans to a blend of Europeanness, elegance, style, and products that are manufactured with high quality and time-tested materials.

Singer unveiled the first ever Signature Concept Centre in Sri Lanka. This exclusive concept centre, equipped with modern facilities caters to the increasing demand for lifestyle solutions among B2B customers.

Located in Duplication Road, Colombo, this concept centre redefines the customer experience by providing live installation videos and also features a knowledge zone where customers can inspect the cross sections of kitchen units, etc. This one-stop destination facilitates customers to



explore, compare, and customise products to suit their needs after the consultation and recommendations from the highly-dedicated team at the concept centre.

Singer previously expanded its local manufacturing plant at Piliyandala to manufacture Signature lifestyle solutions. This state-of-the-art factory continues to operate with a well-trained and qualified team under the purview of the Signature Group Malaysia. The decision to locally

manufacture Signature products brings about a significant boost to the economy and enables Singer to provide international grade products at an affordable price. In addition, the installation time is comparably less, so that customers can avail their customised products within a few days and the comfort of reliable aftersale services.

To schedule an appointment to visit the new Signature Concept Centre, contact Piyusha on 0763816654.

Ideal Motors presents Sri Lanka Police two fully customised Mahindra Mojo motorcycles



Ideal Group Founder and Chairman Nalin Welgama briefing IGP C.D. Wickramaratne on the mechanics of the two fully-customised Mahindra Mojo motorcycles. Also pictured are Ideal Motors Director Chaminda Wanigaratne and senior police officers

Ideal Motors (Pvt.) Ltd. presented Sri Lanka Police with two fully-customised Mahindra Mojo motorcycles valued at Rs. 2.4 million recently.

Ideal Group Founder and Chairman Nalin Welgama handed over the two motorcycles to Inspector General of Police (IGP) C.D. Wickramaratne, at the Police Headquarters during a simple ceremony.

Powered by a 300cc engine, the two Mahindra Mojo motorcycles will be used by the Sri Lanka Police's Vehicle Division for important occasions while all future service requirements will be undertaken by Ideal First Choice, the multi-brand vehicle care arm of the Ideal Group.

Ideal Motors (Pvt.) Ltd. is proud of its long-standing co-operation with Sri Lanka Police, who continue to protect and

serve all communities. The motorcycles were donated to Sri Lanka Police with the aim of continuing this congenial association.

Moreover, Ideal Motors are committed to fully refurbishing 128 Scorpio jeeps which are used by the Police department. In addition, Ideal First Choice have undertaken to fully refurbish 522 motorcycles of various makes which were in need of urgent repairs, currently used by the department.

In keeping with its commitment to serve society, Ideal Motors (Pvt.) Ltd. recently donated a fully-equipped ambulance to the Madura Vithana Foundation, valued at approximately Rs. 10 million. The vehicle was donated primarily to enable the Foundation to support the vaccination of persons over 60 years of age and the disabled in the Colombo District.

Insurance Asia Awards recognises SupremeHealth Max as 'Health Insurance Initiative of the Year'



HNBA and HNBGI CEO Prasantha Fernando



HNBA COO Lasitha Wimalaratne

The *Insurance Asia* magazine recognised HNB Assurance at the 2021 Insurance Asia Awards as the Health Insurance Initiative – Sri Lanka for SupremeHealth Max. These awards recognise the most outstanding insurance companies in Asia. Published bi-annually, *Insurance Asia* is a publication that is devoted to insurance companies, investors, and policy makers.

SupremeHealth Max includes a Worldwide Hospitalisation Cover of up to Rs. 50 million annually for individuals and families, worldwide cashless claim settlement, no claim bonus of up to 100%, pre and post hospitalisation expenses benefit and a restore benefit entitling the policyholder to a 100% of sum assured

even in the event that they have already claimed the entire sum assured during a year due to hospitalisation, provided that the subsequent hospitalisation is not related to the reasons of hospitalisation before. Moreover, it consists of a number of benefits including optical, dental, maternity, surgical, health screening as well as cash benefit for hospitalisation in Government hospitals.

SupremeHealth Max also consists of an OPD cover and is applicable for Ayurvedic treatments and cover expenses related to chemotherapy, dialysis and radiology treatments within the cover limit, whilst covering costs of prosthesis and implants, and organ donor expenses within the cover limit.