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IIESL CELEBRATES PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND NATIONAL COMMITMENT AT THE 48TH ANNUAL SESSIONS 2026

The Ceremonial Session of the 48th Annual Sessions of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) was held on 27th June 2026 at the Lotus Hall of the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo. The distinguished event brought together senior professionals, government representatives, industry leaders, special invitees and members of the Institution, marking another significant milestone in the continuing journey of IIESL.

The Chief Guest, Dr Harini Amarasuriya, MP, Hon. Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, together with the Guests of Honour, special guests and invitees, was ceremonially received by the Council of Management, Past Presidents and the Board of Trustees of IIESL.

The ceremonial proceedings commenced with the lighting of the traditional oil lamp, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. Eng. K.S.P. Nonis, President Elect of IIESL, then extended a warm welcome to the distinguished gathering. In his address, he reaffirmed the Institution's commitment to advancing engineering and engineering technology, promoting professional standards and contributing meaningfully to national development.



**Eng. Ananda Gunawardana delivering the Presidential
Address Session - 2025-2026**



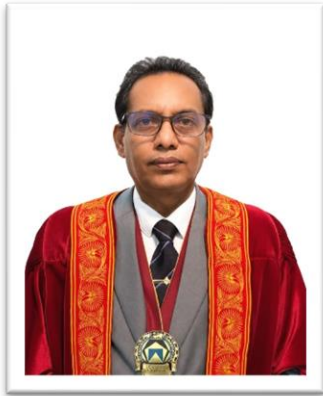
**The Chief Guest, Dr Harini Amarasuriya, MP, Hon. Prime
Minister addressed the audience**

The Keynote Address was delivered by the Immediate Past President, Eng. S.B.G.C.P. Sampathbandara. His thought-provoking address focused on the evolving role of engineering professionals and the need for the profession to respond effectively to contemporary challenges. He emphasized the importance of continuous professional development, innovation and a forward-looking approach in strengthening the contribution of engineers to society.

The Presidential Address by Eng. Ananda Gunawardana reflected on the achievements of the Institution during his tenure and highlighted the priorities that would guide IIESL in the years ahead. His address underlined the importance of strengthening the Institution, advancing professional recognition and ensuring that IIESL continues to serve as a strong platform for the development of engineering professionals.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is with immense pride, humility, and gratitude that I assume the responsibility of serving as President of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) for this session. I sincerely thank our members for the confidence and trust placed in me. I regard this responsibility as both a great honour and a commitment to serve our Institution and its members with dedication and integrity.

My journey with IIESL began as a young Council representative in 2006. From 2008 onwards, I had the privilege of serving as an Under-40 Council Member and subsequently in various capacities as an office bearer, Vice President and President Elect. Throughout this journey, the guidance, encouragement and support of our Past Presidents, Council Members, colleagues, staff and members have been invaluable. I remain deeply grateful to all who have contributed to my professional journey.

My leadership approach is founded on teamwork, empowerment, accountability and effective delegation. During this session, we will strengthen our Functional Committees and promote collaboration, transparency and measurable results.

Our key priorities include the successful construction of the new IIESL Headquarters, strengthening the professional recognition of Incorporated Engineers and Engineering Diplomates, expanding CPD and educational opportunities, strengthening industry partnerships, embracing digital transformation and encouraging greater participation of young professionals. The true strength of IIESL lies in its members. I therefore invite every member to contribute their knowledge, expertise, ideas and commitment to our collective journey. Let us move forward with unity in purpose, professionalism in action, integrity in leadership and determination in achieving our shared vision.

Together, let us build a stronger IIESL and a brighter future for every Incorporated Engineer in Sri Lanka.

Eng. Sanjeeva Nonis
President, IIESL (Session 2026 – 2027)

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



It is my pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to the President, the Council of Management, and all members of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) as we begin the session 2026/2027.

This new session presents valuable opportunities to strengthen our Institution, enhance the professional recognition and status of Incorporated Engineers and contribute meaningfully to the sustainable development and economic progress of our nation. As engineering continues to play a vital role in addressing emerging challenges, IIESL remains committed to promoting professional excellence, ethical practice, innovation and lifelong learning among its members.

The continued growth and success of our Institution depend on the collective dedication, unity and active participation of every member. I sincerely appreciate the unwavering commitment and invaluable contributions of the Council of Management, Past Presidents, Standing Committees, Regional Branches, Volunteers and all Members whose tireless efforts continue to strengthen and advance our Institution. Your support and cooperation remain the foundation of our achievements.

As we move forward, let us work together with professionalism, integrity, innovation and a spirit of collaboration to embrace new opportunities, overcome future challenges and contribute meaningfully to the engineering profession and the sustainable development of our nation.

I wish all Members a successful, productive and rewarding year ahead.

Eng. Anuruddha Bandara
Secretary, IIESL (Session 2026 – 2027)

EDITORIAL

An Innovative Engineer

Innovative engineers play a crucial role in driving technological advancements and process improvements. An innovative engineer develops new technologies, processes and solutions to drive business growth and efficiency. They work at the intersection of engineering, research and business strategy to create and implement innovative ideas. Responsibilities often include prototyping, testing and collaborating with cross-functional teams to solve complex challenges. Their goal is to improve existing systems or introduce groundbreaking advancements in their industry.

Creative thinking is the lifeblood of innovation in engineering design. You need to cultivate the ability to look at problems from multiple angles and come up with solutions that challenge conventional wisdom. This involves embracing a mindset that encourages risk taking and values out of the box ideas. By fostering your creativity, you can generate unique concepts that may lead to revolutionary designs and products. Remember, innovation often begins with a single creative spark that ignites the imagination and leads to transformative changes in the way we live and work. While creativity sparks innovation, it's your technical mastery that turns ideas into reality.

As an engineer, you should aim to achieve a deep understanding of the principles and tools of your trade.

Communication skills are paramount in translating innovative ideas into actionable projects. You must be able to articulate your visions clearly and persuasively to colleagues, stakeholders and clients. The pursuit of innovation is a continuous journey that demands lifelong learning.

As members of this institution, you should be committed to expanding your knowledge base and skill set through ongoing education and professional development.

Eng. Damitha Abeykoon NDT, MSc (USJP), FIIESL, IEng
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INCO 2026 AWARDS & RECOGNITION NIGHT CELEBRATES INDUSTRIAL EXCELLENCE

The INCO 2026 Awards & Recognition Night was held on 4 June 2026 at Waters Edge, Battaramulla, celebrating outstanding achievements showcased at the INCO 2026 Premier Industrial Exhibition. Organized by the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL), the event recognized leading exhibitors for their contributions to local manufacturing, engineering services, design and technological innovation.

The Chief Guest at the event was Eng. Kumudu Lal Bogahawatta, Secretary to the Ministry of Housing, Construction and Water Supply. The special guests were Eng. Upali Rathnayake, Chairman of the National Paper Company Ltd, and Eng. (Mrs.) Chitra Boteju Kulatunga, Managing Directress of Oceanica Group of Companies.

INCO 2026, held from 13 to 15 March 2026 at the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo, served as a major platform for local and international investors, manufacturers, engineering organizations and technology providers. The exhibition was conducted under the guidance of IIESL President Eng. Ananda Gunawardana and the leadership of the Chairman of INCO 2026, Eng. Shantha Senarath.

The Awards & Recognition Night commenced with the arrival of invitees and special guests, followed by the lighting of the traditional oil lamp and the singing of the National Anthem. The President of IIESL, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana, delivered the Welcome Address, followed

by the Opening Remarks by the Chairman of INCO 2026, Eng. Shantha Senarath.

The awards ceremony was conducted in five segments covering 20 award categories, recognizing exhibitors who demonstrated excellence in industrial achievement and presentation. Among the recognized categories was the Best Stall with Locally Assembled Products, for which Three Sinha Industries (Pvt) Ltd received the Gold Award, while Riyon International Group of Companies received the Silver Award. Spectrum International was awarded the Silver Award in the Best Engineering Service Provider category. The presentation of awards was interspersed with lively dance performances by a group of talented dancers, adding colour and entertainment to the evening.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief Guest, Eng. Kumudu Lal Bogahawatta, commended the contribution of IIESL and the participating industries towards strengthening Sri Lanka's industrial and engineering sectors. His address highlighted the importance of innovation, local production and professional expertise in supporting national development.

The formal proceedings concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Eng. Udaya Hettige, Vice President, Events. The evening concluded with a fellowship dinner, providing an opportunity for members, exhibitors and distinguished guests to celebrate the success of INCO 2026 and strengthen professional relationships.



Chief Guest Eng. Bogahawatte addressing the gathering



President Eng. Gunawardana presenting the token of appreciation to Eng. Bogahawatte



Chairman of INCO 2026, Eng. Shantha Senarath presenting INCO awards to winners



President Eng. Gunawardana and Eng. Senarath presenting a token of appreciation to Eng. Chitra Boteju

TECHNICAL SESSION 2026 HIGHLIGHTS SUSTAINABLE ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS

As part of its Annual Sessions 2026, the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) organized a Technical Session on 25th June 2026 at the Ministry of Environment, Battaramulla. Conducted under the theme "Engineering a Sustainable Future," the programme brought together engineering professionals to explore emerging technologies and innovative approaches that support sustainable national development.

The Technical Session featured presentations by three distinguished resource persons representing leading organizations in the fields of renewable energy, cleaner production and sustainable development.

The first presentation, "Can Renewable Energy Change Our World?", was delivered by Eng. Harsha Wickramasinghe, Director General of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority. The presentation examined the transformative potential of renewable energy technologies and their role in addressing climate change, improving energy security and supporting sustainable economic growth.

The second presentation, "Resource-efficient Circular Business Models to Lead the Future of Manufacturing Industries," was delivered by Eng. Samantha Kumarasena, Chief Executive Officer of the National Cleaner Production Centre. The session highlighted the importance of adopting circular economy principles, resource efficiency

and sustainable manufacturing practices to enhance industrial competitiveness while minimizing environmental impacts.

The final presentation, "Professionalism for a Sustainable Built Environment," was delivered by Dr. Locana Gunarathna, Director of the Green Building Council of Sri Lanka. The presentation emphasized the responsibility of engineering professionals in creating environmentally responsible, resource-efficient and resilient built environments through sustainable design and professional practice.

The Technical Session provided participants with valuable insights into contemporary sustainable engineering practices and emerging global trends. It also reinforced the importance of innovation, environmental stewardship and professional responsibility in addressing the challenges of sustainable development.

Through programmes of this nature, IIESL continues to enhance the knowledge and professional capacity of its members while supporting national efforts to promote environmental protection, resource efficiency and the adoption of sustainable engineering solutions for the benefit of future generations.



Past President, Eng. Senarath presenting awards to winners



The three Resource Persons;

- Eng. Harsha Wickramasinghe
- Eng. Samantha Kumarasena
- Dr. Locana Gunarathna



Part of the gathering at the IIESL Technical Sessions 2026

03RD VIDYA JYOTHI EMERITUS PROFESSOR DAYANTHA S. WIJEYSEKERA COMMEMORATIVE ORATION



The Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) organized the Third Vidya Jyothi Emeritus Professor Dayantha S. Wijeyesekera Commemorative Oration on 26 May 2026 at the auditorium of Organization of

Professional Associations, Colombo. The event was held in honour of the late Vidya Jyothi Emeritus Professor Dayantha S. Wijeyesekera, former Vice Patron of the IIESL a distinguished academic, visionary educator and nationally respected professional who made an immense contribution to the advancement of engineering and engineering technology education in Sri Lanka.

The commemorative oration was delivered by Prof. Priyantha D.C. Wijayathunga, Senior Director – Energy, Asian Development Bank, on the subject “Skills Development for Energy Transition: Asia Pacific Perspective.” The timely presentation focused on the evolving skills requirements associated with the global energy transition and the need to prepare professionals to respond effectively to emerging technological and sustainable development challenges.

The proceedings commenced with a Preface by the President of IIESL, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana. Eng. Dr.-Ing. W.A. Wimalaweera, Vice President of IIESL, former Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Engineering Technology at the Open University of Sri Lanka, delivered the introductory speech. He recalled the outstanding service rendered by the late Professor Wijeyesekera to



Council Members, Invitees and the gathering

the nation and highlighted his dedication to engineering education and his lasting influence on the development of engineering and engineering technology disciplines in Sri Lanka.



Mrs. Wijeyesekera garlanding the portrait of late Prof Wijeyesekera

A touching moment of the event was the garlanding of the photograph of the late Professor Wijeyesekera by Mrs. Wijeyesekera, accompanied by Eng. Namalie Siyambalapitiya.

Eng. Sujeewan Kuruppu formally welcomed the Orator, Prof. Priyantha D.C. Wijayathunga, to the occasion.

The Commemorative Oration formed part of the continuing efforts of IIESL to honour eminent personalities who have rendered exceptional service to the engineering profession and the nation. It also provided a valuable platform for members, academics, professionals and students to reflect on the enduring legacy of Professor Wijeyesekera while engaging with important issues concerning future-oriented professional development and sustainable technological advancement.

The event concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by the President-elect, Eng. Sanjeeva Nonis.

Through the Commemorative Oration, IIESL once again paid tribute to one of Sri Lanka's most respected engineering educators and professionals, while continuing his legacy of knowledge, leadership and service to the nation.



Prof. Wijayathunga delivering the commemorative oration

MEMBERSHIP FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE ACHIEVES SIGNIFICANT GROWTH DURING THE 2025/2026 SESSION

The Membership Functional Committee (MFC) of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) recorded another successful year during the 2025/2026 Session, making significant progress in membership development, professional assessments and Engineering Council registrations. Through a series of membership promotion initiatives and policy improvements, the Committee continued to strengthen the Institution while expanding opportunities for engineering professionals across the country.

One of the Committee's most notable achievements was the enrolment of new members across all membership categories during the session, demonstrating the continued confidence placed in IIESL as the country's leading professional institution for Incorporated Engineers and Engineering Diplomates.

New Members Enrolled – Session 2025/2026	
Membership Class	Nos
Fellows	4
Members	366
Associate Members	979
Student Members	283
Total New Members	1,632

To support this growth, the Committee conducted membership awareness and promotion programmes, including Competency Demonstration Report (CDR) writing workshops, in Colombo and several outstation locations. Professional Review Examinations (PREs), interviews for Fellow applicants and student recruitment programmes were also successfully conducted, while new membership pathways were introduced for qualified personnel from the Sri Lanka Navy and Sri Lanka Air Force through the CDR route and the Mature Route.

The Committee also played a major role in facilitating professional registration with the Engineering Council, Sri Lanka (ECSL), including both new registrations and renewals. This achievement further strengthened the professional recognition of IIESL members at the national level.

ECSL Registrations – Session 2025/2026	
Engineering Practitioner Category	Nos
Incorporated Engineer	915
Engineering Diplomate	2,166
Total ECSL Registrations	3,081

In addition to membership development, the Committee implemented several initiatives to improve membership administration and governance. These included obtaining Council approval for thirty policy papers, enhancing membership procedures, revising evaluation guidelines, introducing new membership opportunities and issuing redesigned membership cards. Training programmes were also conducted to strengthen the capacity of Professional Review Examination panels and mentors.

The excellent progress achieved during the 2025/2026 Session reflects the dedication and commitment of the Chairman, Eng. Dr. Jayantha Hettiarachchi, the Membership Functional Committee, the Council of Management under the leadership of President Eng. Ananda Gunawardena and the staff members of the IIESL's office for their tireless efforts. Their collective efforts have further strengthened the Institution's membership base and reinforced IIESL's mission of advancing engineering professionalism in Sri Lanka.

MFC 2025/2026 — MEMBERSHIP AT A GLANCE				
Key achievements of the Membership Functional Committee				
1,498 NEW MEMBERS Awarded / Enrolled during Session 2025/2026		4 Fellows	371 Members	
		840 Associate Members	283 Student Members	
ENGINEERING COUNCIL, SRI LANKA (ECSL) 3,081 Engineering professionals registered			IEng - New 266 IEng - Renew 616 EngDip - New 809 EngDip - Renew 1,357	
MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES				
10 Awareness & CDR programmes	12 Membership drives	78 Professional Review	30 Council papers approved	2,965 Membership cards issued
GROWING MEMBERSHIP • STRENGTHENING PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION				

A significant highlight of the Ceremonial Session was the address by the Chief Guest, Dr Harini Amarasuriya. The Prime Minister commended the contribution of IIESL to national infrastructure development, capacity building and the professional recognition of engineers. Focusing particularly on education and workforce development, she stressed that the advancement and continuous improvement of higher education remain key responsibilities in building a knowledgeable, skilled and capable society.

Recognizing the important role of engineering professionals in national development, the Prime Minister acknowledged the initiatives undertaken by IIESL to empower its members to progress in their professional career and contribute to the development of Sri Lanka. Her address reaffirmed the value of professional institutions in supporting the country's efforts to develop a competent and productive workforce.

The Ceremonial Session also provided an opportunity to recognize the professional advancement and achievements of IIESL members. Certificates were presented by the Chief Guest to four Members who had been transferred to the class of Fellow. Certificates were also awarded to a number of the 366 Members and 979 Associate Members who had been transferred or elected to their respective membership classes, marking significant milestones in their professional journeys. Certificates recognizing special achievements of members were also presented during the ceremony.

An inspiring video presentation traced the remarkable journey of the Institution from its origin in 1977 as the All Ceylon Engineering Diplomates Association (ACEDA), through its transformation into the Institution of Engineering Diplomates Sri Lanka (IEDSL) and its subsequent evolution as the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL). The presentation also highlighted the Institution's continuing development and its recognition as a professional body representing in the Engineering Council, Sri Lanka, in 2017. The legacy built over several decades stands as a testament to the dedication and commitment of generations of incorporated engineers.

As a gesture of appreciation, mementoes were presented to the Chief Guest, Guests of Honour and special invitees. The formal proceedings concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by the Secretary of IIESL, Eng. Mahinda Tennakoon.

The Ceremonial Session of the 48th Annual Sessions 2026 was more than a celebration of professional achievements. It was a reflection of the Institution's rich heritage, its commitment to professional excellence and its continuing role in supporting national development. The event provided a fitting platform to recognize the achievements of members while reaffirming the collective responsibility of Incorporated Engineers to contribute to engineering excellence and the progress of Sri Lanka.

The formal proceedings were followed by refreshments, bringing a memorable and significant Ceremonial Session to a close.

48TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE IIESL

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) for the year 2026 was held on 27th June 2026 at the Lotus Hall of the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo. The meeting was chaired by the President, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana.

The meeting commenced with the adoption of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of IIESL for 2024/2025, followed by the adoption of the Minutes of the Special General Meeting of the IIESL held on 30th January 2026. The Annual Report for the Session 2025/2026 was then presented to the membership.

The audited Financial Report for the year ended 31st March 2026 was presented by Treasurer and unanimously adopted by the members.

An important item on the agenda was the tabling and adoption of resolutions to amend the By-Laws of IIESL. These proposed amendments had been proposed and

seconded by the Council of Management for session 2025/2026. Eng. P.A.D.R. Chandrasiri, Chairman of the Statutes Committee, on the invitation of the President, IIESL explained the proposed resolutions to the House. Subsequent the explanations, the resolutions were unanimously adopted as follows by the Corporate Members present.

Summary of Resolutions:

Although twenty (20) resolutions for amendments to By-Laws had been circulated 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, Resolution No. 7 was not moved at the AGM since it was withdrawn by the Council as the Council felt that it needed further deliberations by the Council before moving at the AGM. Out of the other nineteen (19) resolutions, all resolutions except Resolutions No. 16 & 17 were unanimously adopted by the Corporate Members. Resolutions No. 16 & 17 were not adopted. As such, amendments to the following numbered By-Laws, including the addition of three new By-Laws bearing numbers 3.3.5, 5.2.0(iv), and 7.1.8, were approved.

a) Resolution No. 1	By-Law 3.2.0 (iii)
b) Resolution No. 2	By-Law 3.2.0 (iv)
c) Resolution No. 3	By-Law 3.3.5 [This is a new By-Law]
d) Resolution No. 4	By-Law 3.4.4
e) Resolution No. 5	By-Law 3.6.2 (ii)
f) Resolution No. 6	By-Law 5.1.0
g) Resolution No. 8	By-Law 5.2.0 (iv) [This is a new By-Law]
h) Resolution No. 9	By-Law 7.1.0
i) Resolution No. 10	By-Law 7.1.3
j) Resolution No. 11	By-Law 7.1.4
k) Resolution No. 12	By-Law 7.1.5
l) Resolution No. 13	By-Law 7.1.6
m) Resolution No. 14	By-Law 7.1.7
n) Resolution No. 15	By-Law 7.1.8 [This is a new By-Law]
o) Resolution No. 18	By-Law 13.9.0
p) Resolution No. 19	By-Law 24.1.3
q) Resolution No. 20	Addendum to By-Law 7.0.0

The AGM also provided an opportunity for members to express their views, following which the outgoing President addressed the gathering.

The election of the Council of Management for the Session 2026/2027 was conducted by the Chief Returning Officer, Eng. W.A.U. Gunawardana and his panel.

The newly elected Council was subsequently formally constituted.

A significant moment of the AGM was the ceremonial induction of Eng. K.S.P. Nonis as the newly elected President of IIESL. The induction was conducted by the outgoing President, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana. In his inaugural address, the newly elected President outlined his vision and priorities for the new session and reaffirmed his commitment to the continued advancement of the Institution and its members.

The AGM also included the appointment of members to the Board of Trustees for the new session and the appointment of External Auditors for the Session 2026/2027.

The meeting concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by the newly elected Secretary, Eng. Anuruddha Bandara.

The Annual General Meeting marked the formal transition to a new session of IIESL and provided a platform for reviewing the Institution's activities, ensuring sound governance and setting the direction for its continued progress.

The full text of the Resolutions can be downloaded by clicking the link here:

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ENGINEERING COUNCIL REGISTRATION – A PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERY ENGINEERING PRACTITIONER

The Engineering Council, Sri Lanka (ECSL), established under the provisions of the Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Act No. 4 of 2017, is the statutory body responsible for maintaining professional standards, regulating engineering practice and registering engineering practitioners in Sri Lanka. According to the provisions of the Act, every person engaged in the practice of engineering is required to be registered with the ECSL under the appropriate category.

The categories of registration include Chartered Engineers (CEng), Associate Engineers (AEng), Affiliate Engineers (AfEng), Incorporated Engineers (IEng), Engineering Diplomates (EngDip), and Engineering Technicians (EngTec). Registration of Incorporated Engineers and Engineering Diplomates is facilitated through the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL).

ECSL registration is not merely an administrative requirement; it is a legal obligation and a mark of professional recognition. It demonstrates that an engineering practitioner possesses the required

qualifications, adheres to accepted standards of professional conduct, and is authorized to engage in engineering practice in Sri Lanka, in accordance with the registered professional category with ECSL. Maintaining valid registration through timely renewal is equally important, as it ensures that professional records remain current and that practitioners continue to enjoy the privileges and recognition associated with their status.

All members of the IIESL who are eligible for ECSL registration are therefore strongly encouraged to verify their registration status and ensure that renewals are completed within the stipulated period. Compliance with ECSL requirements contributes not only to individual professional standing but also to the enhancement of the engineering profession and the protection of the public interest.

Further information regarding registration procedures and renewals is available through the ECSL website and the IIESL Secretariat.

PICTURE GALLERY III – HIGHLIGHTS OF ANNUAL SESSIONS - 2026



Dr Harini Amarasuriya, MP, Hon. Prime Minister lighting the traditional oil lamp with the Council Members and guests



Escorting the Chief Guest, Dr Harini Amarasuriya and the other guests



Past President, Eng. Sampathbandara delivering the keynote address



The President and the President Elect presenting the memento to Dr Harini Amarasuriya, MP, Hon. Prime Minister



Awarding membership certificates to newly elected Associate Members



Above: Awarding membership certificates to newly elected Members



Far Left: Eng. K.S.P. Nonis, President Elect, IIESL delivering the welcome speech



Left: A set of the Past Presidents & distinguished Invitees

PICTURE GALLERY IV – HIGHLIGHTS OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2026



Head Table with the President, President Elect and office bearers of Session 2025-2026



Eng. P A D R Chandrasiri Chairman, Statutes Committee, Tabling of Resolutions at AGM



Chief Returning Officer Eng. W A U Gunawardena and the Election Panel conducting the election of the Council of Management



A part of the Audience



Eng. Sanjeeva Nonis, President Elect addressing the AGM of Session 2025-2026



President elected for the session 2026-2027
Eng. Sanjeeva Nonis delivering the Presidential address



Outgoing President Eng. Ananda Gunawardana, greeting Eng. Sanjeeva Nonis after the ceremonial induction as the newly elected President for session 2026-2027

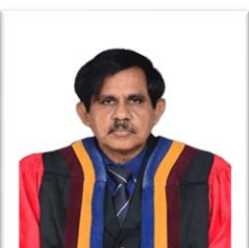
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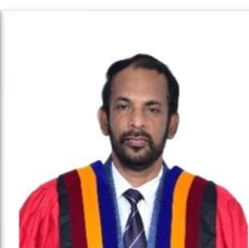
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President



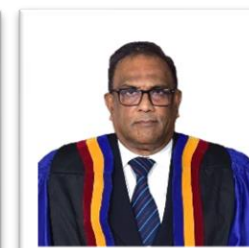
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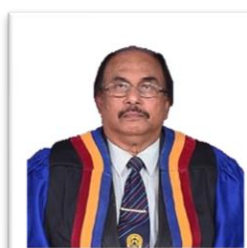
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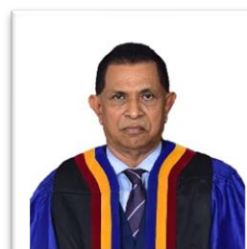
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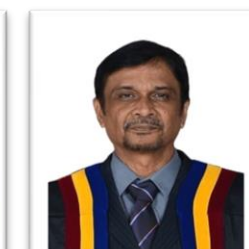
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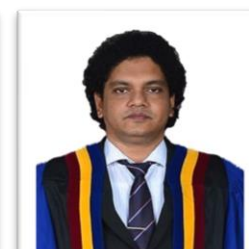
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TECHNICAL VISIT TO TEEJAY LANKA PLC

As a part of Annual Sessions 2026 of the Institution, the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) organized a technical visit to TEEJAY Lanka PLC on 26 June 2026. The visit was held at the company's facility in the Seethawaka Export Processing Zone, Avissawella, with the participation of IIESL members.

TEEJAY Lanka PLC is a leading Sri Lankan multinational manufacturer specializing in weft-knitted fabric and is recognized as a major textile provider in South Asia. With operations in Sri Lanka and India, the company supplies high-quality fabric solutions to leading global apparel brands and continues to focus on innovation and sustainability. The technical visit provided IIESL members with an opportunity to gain direct exposure to a modern industrial processing environment and advanced manufacturing operations. Participants were able to

observe how theoretical engineering concepts and professional knowledge are applied in practical industrial settings.

Visits of this nature play an important role in enhancing professional knowledge and supporting continuous learning. Exposure to operational sites enables engineering professionals to gain a better understanding of modern manufacturing processes and observe the application of safety, structural and environmental standards in real-world conditions.

The visit to TEEJAY Lanka PLC therefore served as a valuable CPD activity, strengthening the practical knowledge and professional exposure of participating IIESL members.



Participants of the Technical Visit at the Teejay Lanka Premises

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NEW FELLOWS OF THE IIESL

During the session 2025 - 2026, four distinguished Members of the Institution were elevated to the 'Fellow' class of Membership. Their achievements were ceremonially honoured as they received their 'Fellow' certificates at the 48th Annual Session from Dr. Harini Amarasuriya, MP, Hon. Prime Minister



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IIESL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE (ONE DAY PROGRAMME)

This is a one-day programme to initiate & process applications of following engineering diploma holders to be elected to the class of Associate Member of Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (AMIIESL). Subsequently those Associate Members will be able to get registration in Engineering Council, Sri Lanka (ECSL).

Appointments will be called for a scheduled walk-in interview on,

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

1. Application (Download from IIESL website)
2. CV
3. Service letters and Copies
4. Original Diploma Certificate and a copy
5. Educational Certificates and Copies (A/L & O/L)
6. NIC and a copy
7. Birth Certificate and a copy

(Attestation of certificate copies will take place at the venue)

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IIESL EXTENDS SUPPORT TO SANITATION WORKERS THROUGH CSR INITIATIVE

The Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) continued its commitment to social responsibility by implementing a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) project to support sanitation workers attached to the Kaduwela Municipal Council, Battaramulla Sub Office. Dry rations were distributed to the 73 workers at a programme held on 13 June 2026 on the first floor of the IIESL Head Office building, currently under construction.

The event was held in the presence of Mr. G.A. Ranjan Jayalal, Hon. Mayor of the Kaduwela Municipal Council. IIESL organized the CSR initiative under the leadership of Eng. W.A. Kulathilaka, Vice President/Chairman of the International Relations and Students Affairs (IRSA) and Building & Infrastructure Committees and the guidance of the President, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana.

The project recognized the vital yet often underappreciated contribution of sanitation workers to the community. Commonly referred to as street sweepers, these dedicated workers perform some of the most demanding duties in maintaining a clean and healthy environment. They collect waste and keep roads and public spaces clean, often beginning their work before sunrise, while receiving limited recognition for their essential service.

Through this initiative, IIESL sought to acknowledge the valuable contribution of these workers and provide direct

assistance to them and their families. Although modest in nature, the distribution of dry rations represented a meaningful expression of appreciation and solidarity.

The project also reflected the Institution's broader commitment to demonstrating that IIESL stands not only for engineering excellence and professional advancement, but also for professionalism, compassion and social responsibility towards the community. Initiatives of this nature provide an opportunity to strengthen the relationship between IIESL and the wider community, while creating greater awareness of the Institution's role beyond the engineering profession.

The funds required for the CSR project were generated through contributions made by IIESL members, Past Presidents, Trustees and staff, together with the generous support of well-wishers. The collective contribution of the IIESL community made the initiative possible and demonstrated the positive impact that can be achieved when members come together for a worthy cause.

The CSR project was a meaningful step in strengthening IIESL's community engagement and reaffirming its commitment to serving society with professionalism and responsibility.



Part of the attendees at the CSR initiative



President, Eng. Ananda Gunawardana presenting a dry ration pack to a recipient



Eng. Damitha Abeykoon presenting a pack of industrial hand gloves to Mr. Ranjan Jayalal, Hon Mayor of Kaduwela MC

STEADY PROGRESS ACHIEVED ON THE NEW IIESL HEAD OFFICE BUILDING PROJECT

Construction of the new Head Office Building of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) continues to make steady progress under the guidance of the Building Committee and the Project Management Unit (PMU).

The project has completed Stage 1, which comprised site mobilization, piling works, substructure construction, structural and service installations, and the construction of the ground floor slab. Stage 2 has also been completed, covering the construction of the superstructure up to the third-floor slab level (Ground Floor plus two upper floors). With the completion of this stage, the project has reached an important structural milestone.

Overall, it is estimated that approximately 60% of the structural works of the building have now been completed.

Preparations are currently underway to commence Stage 3, which will include the structural works from the third-floor level to the roof, incorporating the third, fourth and fifth floors together with the roof slab. The construction drawings, Bills of Quantities (BOQ) and bidding documents have been completed and are presently awaiting approval by the Council of Management.

Subject to the necessary approvals, the procurement process is expected to be completed by mid-September 2026, enabling the successful contractor to mobilize immediately thereafter. The Stage 3 construction programme is scheduled for completion within a six-month contract period, with the structural works expected to be substantially completed by mid-March 2027. In parallel with the structural works, the Building Committee intends to proceed with the planning and procurement of the building's finishing works to ensure the smooth continuation of the project without unnecessary delays.

The Council of Management, the Building Committee and the Project Management Unit remain committed to delivering a modern, functional and sustainable Head Office that will serve the Institution and its members for generations to come. The continued progress of the project reflects the dedication of all those who have contributed to making this long-cherished vision a reality.



Partly completed, proposed IIESL HO Building

IIESL HEAD OFFICE BUILDING PROJECT

A Major Milestone Achieved

**60% STRUCTURAL
WORKS
COMPLETED**

Current Overall Structural Progress

STAGE 1 (Completed)

MOBILIZATION AND
PILE FOUNDATION

16 Piles - 750mm-900mm dia.

Pile Foundation

STAGE 2 (Completed)

SUPERSTRUCTURE UP TO THIRD
FLOOR SLAB LEVEL. G+2

U/G Water Sumps, Sewage Treatment
Plant and Services

Third Floor Slab Level

STAGE 3 (Planning)

THIRD FLOOR TO ROOF

Third, Fourth & Fifth Floors

Roof Slab

THE ROAD AHEAD

SEPTEMBER 2026

Target completion of procurement
and contractor mobilization

MARCH 2027

Target completion of Stage 3
structural works

IN PARALLEL

Finishing works procurement and
implementation will proceed concurrently

BUILDING TODAY FOR THE FUTURE OF IIESL

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION OF INCORPORATED ENGINEERS, SRI LANKA (IIESL)

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE FOR MEMBERSHIP

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL CLASSES OF MEMBERS WHO PAY ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE
FOR THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN THE IIESL**

All Members, Associate Members, Associates, Students who pay Annual Subscription Fee for their membership are kindly informed that Annual Subscription Fee falls due on and be paid by the first of January, each year. Those who have not paid Annual Subscription Fee for the year 2026 and those who have not settled their arrears of Annual Subscription Fee for the previous years are kindly requested to make their due payments on or **before 31.08.2026**.

Payments can be made either directly to IIESL office or deposited in the following account.

Account Details: Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka - People's Bank, Battaramulla Branch, Account No 208200161101173

After making payments to a bank, kindly convey copy of your paying slip indicating name, membership number & contact telephone number, to the IIESL via email (membership@iiesl.lk).

As per the amendments to By-Laws of the IIESL approved at its last Annual General Meeting held on 27.06.2026, rates of Annual Subscription Fees were increased as follows and increased rates will be effective from **01.09.2026**. Those who will settle their due payments on or after 01.09.2026, will have to make their payments based on the increased rates.

Membership Class	Present Rate (Rs.)	Increased Rate (Rs.)
Member	Rs. 4,000.00	Rs. 7,000.00
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Associate	Rs. 2,200.00	Rs. 3,000.00
Student	Rs. 700.00	Rs. 700.00 (No change)

NOTE: Annual Subscription Fee is not applicable for the class of Fellow

For the details of By-Laws amended at the last Annual General Meeting of IIESL held on 27.06.2026, https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1H-x-iY9RyIFFbK6uKzmur_1ot0g2tubn?usp=sharing

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Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka.**

TRIBUTES TO MEMBERS WHO ARE NO MORE

Eng. D.A. Thevathasan, FIIESL



The Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) records with profound sorrow the passing of Eng. D.A. Thevathasan, FIIESL, on 26 May 2026. A highly respected senior member of the Institution, he served IIESL with dedication and distinction during its formative years and made a lasting contribution to its growth and development.

Eng. Thevathasan held the positions of Vice President and Trustee of IIESL, where his commitment, wisdom and unwavering support greatly benefited the Institution and its membership. His guidance and service played an important role in strengthening IIESL during its early years.

A Civil Engineering Diplomat of the River Valley Development Board (RVDB), he commenced his professional career as a Technical Officer with the RVDB in 1964. He later joined the Hardy Senior Technical Institute as an Engineering Teacher in Civil Engineering, where he served from 1966 to 1978.

In 1978, he joined the University of Moratuwa and subsequently the Institute of Technology, University of Moratuwa (ITUM), serving as Lecturer in Charge of Building Construction and Draughtsmanship and Building Construction until his retirement. Throughout his academic career, he inspired and guided generations of engineering students, earning the respect and admiration of both colleagues and students alike.

IIESL extends its deepest sympathies to his beloved wife, Mrs. Freeda Thevathasan and the bereaved family. His dedicated service to engineering education and to the Institution will be remembered with gratitude and respect.

Eng. K.A. Dharmawardana, MIIESL



The Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) records with deep sorrow the passing of Eng. K.A. Dharmawardana, MIIESL, a valued member of the Institution since 1989.

Born in Yakkala, Eng. Dharmawardana obtained the National Diploma in Technology (NDT) in Civil Engineering in 1979 and embarked on a distinguished career spanning more than three decades in the engineering and construction sector.

He commenced his professional career as an Engineering Assistant at the Mahaweli Engineering and Construction Agency, where he served from 1979 to 1993. During this period, he earned promotion to Grade I Engineering Assistant in recognition of his competence and dedication. In 1993, he joined the Superior Courts Complex as Civil Superintendent and Maintenance Officer and served with commitment and professionalism until 2010.

Throughout his career, Eng. Dharmawardana was known for his dedication to his profession and his commitment to engineering service. As a member of IIESL, he remained associated with the Institution and contributed to the advancement of the engineering profession.

IIESL extends its heartfelt condolences to his beloved wife, Mrs. Ranjani, his son and daughter and all members of his family. The Institution remembers him with gratitude and honours his service to the engineering profession.



INSTITUTION OF INCORPORATED ENGINEERS, SRI LANKA

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All of you are aware that the IIESL is the professional body authorizing applications for registration of Incorporated Engineers and Engineering Diplomates with the Engineering Council, Sri Lanka.

As such we must show our professionalism and educational excellence in the field of engineering by publication of technical articles biannually. As members of our engineering institution in different engineering disciplines, it is our responsibility to enhance our journal with engineering discoveries, stories, inventions, projections, research and developments, achievements and future planning for country developments etc.

The main IIESL publication is the technical journal twice a year in January and July.

You are cordially invited to submit technical articles falling under 5 types of publications mentioned in the guidelines as below.

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