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EDITOR'S NOTE

We are pleased to present the second JCI Colombo Central Newsletter for 2026, featuring the highlights and achievements of our chapter during the second quarter.

The past few months have been marked by meaningful projects, learning opportunities, and stronger connections among our members. This edition celebrates the dedication of our members, the impact of our initiatives, and the experiences that continue to shape our journey.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support and contribute to the growth of JCI Colombo Central. We look forward to another quarter of leadership, collaboration, and positive impact.



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JCI COLOMBO CENTRAL GAME NIGHT

On 25th April 2026, JCI Colombo Central hosted a fun-filled Game Night at Malik Cader Chambers from 4:00 PM onwards, bringing together members and guests for an evening of games, laughter, and fellowship.

The event was organised with the aim of introducing more people to the JCI Colombo Central community through the "Bring a Friend" initiative, giving potential members an opportunity to experience the chapter's culture, connect with existing members, and understand the spirit of JCI. It also served as a chance for members to strengthen their bonds, unwind, and enjoy a relaxed evening away from their usual routines.

The evening was filled with a variety of games, plenty of snacks, and memorable moments. Members and guests took part in activities including Pictionary, followed by Genes, and interactive Kahoot sessions. The Kahoot sessions included one focused on getting to know JCI members and another on JCI knowledge.

The event brought together members and friends of members, creating a welcoming environment for new connections and strengthening the fellowship within JCI Colombo Central.





JCI SRI LANKA AVURUDU CELEBRATION 2026

On 19th April 2026, members from across JCI Sri Lanka came together in Gampaha for a vibrant Avurudu celebration organised by the JCI Gampaha Chapter. The event was an opportunity for members from different chapters to celebrate the Sinhala and Tamil New Year traditions, strengthen fellowship, and create lasting memories beyond chapter boundaries.

The celebration brought together members from the Colombo, Midtown, Gampaha, Wellawatta, and Colombo Central, with a day filled with traditional Avurudu games, laughter, and friendly competition. Members actively participated in a variety of activities, including the Avurudu Kumari and Kumara competition, where CCJ member Hansini emerged victorious, the iconic Kukulata Aha Thabima (with a fun twist replacing the traditional elephant with a chicken), Goni Panima, and other traditional games.

CCJ members proudly secured several wins throughout the day, earning gifts and recognition for their participation. Alongside the games, everyone enjoyed a traditional Avurudu food table, sharing delicious New Year treats and celebrating the spirit of togetherness.



The event was a great reminder of the importance of fellowship within JCI Sri Lanka, bringing members together through culture, teamwork, and shared experiences.



JCI SL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY 2026

On 16th and 17th May 2026, members of JCI Colombo Central participated in the JCI SL Leadership Academy held at the Best Western Hotel, Colombo. Organised by JCI Sri Lanka and facilitated by members of the Asia-Pacific Development Council (APDC), the two-day programme focused on leadership development, project management, and effective chapter management.

Representing the chapter were JC Sandalu, JC Dhanushi, JC Tamashi, JC Samadhi, and Immediate Past President JC Dharini, who engaged in interactive training sessions led by experienced JCI leaders, including Councillor Vincy Wong.

The sessions covered key areas such as planning and executing projects the JCI way, financial management, chapter organisation, and governance. Participants also explored differences in organisational structures between JCI Sri Lanka and JCI Hong Kong LOMs, while gaining valuable insights into strengthening chapter operations.

The academy also provided opportunities for networking and collaboration through team-building activities, knowledge sharing, and group discussions with members from chapters across Sri Lanka. The programme concluded with reflection sessions and fellowship activities, leaving participants with new perspectives and strengthened connections within the JCI movement.



JCI SRI LANKA BOARD MEETING 2026



On 23rd May 2026, President JC Dhanushi represented JCI Colombo Central at the JCI Sri Lanka Board Meeting. It was held with the participation of JCI Vice President Kengo Suzuki, National Board members, and chapter representatives from across Sri Lanka. The meeting provided an opportunity for chapters to share their progress, achievements, challenges, and plans for the remainder of the year. JCI Colombo Central presented its activities, ongoing initiatives, and future direction while engaging in constructive discussions with fellow chapter leaders.

A key highlight of the meeting was the guidance and insights shared by JCI Vice President Kengo Suzuki, who encouraged members to continue creating meaningful impact within their communities while strengthening leadership development and organizational growth. The session also facilitated valuable knowledge sharing, collaboration, and the exchange of best practices among chapters from across the country.



FELLOWSHIP WITH JCI VICE PRESIDENT KENGO SUZUKI

Following the JCI Sri Lanka Board Meeting, members of JCI Colombo Central joined fellow JCI members from across the country for a fellowship event with JCI Vice President Kengo Suzuki.

The gathering provided a unique opportunity for members to interact with international and national JCI leaders, share experiences, and showcase the work being carried out by their chapters.

Representing JCI Colombo Central were President JC Dhanushi, Vice President JC Hansini, Director for Membership JC Sajani, Immediate Past President JC Dharini, and Public Relations Officer JC Tamashi. The event was also attended by JCI Sri Lanka National Board members and Past JCI World President Isfahani Sameen.

The fellowship created a relaxed and engaging environment for networking, knowledge sharing, and meaningful conversations about leadership, service, and the future of the JCI movement. It was a valuable opportunity for members to strengthen connections within the wider JCI community while gaining insights from experienced leaders at both national and international levels.



BREAKING BOUNDRIES AND HEALING HEARTS



Held on 22nd May, Breaking Boundaries & Healing Hearts was a successful multi-chapter initiative organized under JCI Sri Lanka in collaboration with JCI Colombo Central, JCI Wellawatte, JCI Colombo, JCI Gampaha, and JCI Colombo Midtown. The project supported Ashifa Home for Children with Special Needs through both donations and meaningful engagement activities.

JCI Colombo Central raised LKR 72,440 within less than 24 hours, enabling the purchase of essential items requested by the home, including groceries, milk packets, fruits, cleaning supplies, and other daily necessities.

The event was further enriched by the presence of JCI Vice President Kengo Suzuki, who joined members in spending time with the children.

The day featured performances by the children, interactive games, arts and crafts activities, dancing, conversations, and refreshments. More than simply a donation drive, the initiative created an opportunity for genuine connection, bringing together members and children for a memorable and joyful experience.

The project stood as a strong example of what can be achieved through collaboration, compassion, and the collective efforts of multiple chapters working toward a common goal.





CHAPTER RETREAT





JCI Colombo Central successfully conducted its Chapter Retreat from 12th to 14th June 2026 in Beliatta, bringing together 14 members for a memorable experience of fellowship, learning, and relaxation.

During the retreat, members enjoyed visits to the scenic Tangalle Beach and the city of Galle while strengthening friendships and chapter camaraderie. The June General Meeting was also held during the retreat, providing an opportunity to discuss chapter activities and future plans.

The event played a key role in enhancing member engagement and attracting prospective members, with three potential members joining the retreat and experiencing the spirit of JCI firsthand. The retreat was a perfect blend of productivity, fun, and bonding, further strengthening the foundation of the chapter.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

F1 Watch Party

Join us for an exciting evening of motorsport, conversation, and community as we host an F1 Watch Party for the British Grand Prix at Silverstone on 5th July from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM IST at La Luna Colombo.



The event will bring together F1 enthusiasts to experience the race live while engaging in discussions, sharing different perspectives on race strategies, driver performances, and the season so far. Beyond watching the race, this is an opportunity to connect with fellow fans, build new networks, and enjoy an evening celebrating the shared passion for Formula 1.

The event will raise funds to support our initiatives while providing an opportunity for participants to learn more about JCI Colombo Central, engage with our community, and explore opportunities to become members.

Human Duties Day

This July, JCI Colombo Central returns to International Human Duties Day with renewed purpose and our most ambitious plans yet. Building on the foundation of last year, we are preparing an initiative designed to reach further, engage more deeply, and create meaningful impact for those who need it most.

Anchored in the spirit of the Human Duties, this year's project will bring together our members' diverse professional strengths in service of empowering young people for the future. Details will be shared as plans are confirmed in the coming weeks, but we can promise this: bigger scope, greater reach, and an impact that reflects who we are as a chapter!



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JOIN THE JCI COLOMBO CENTRAL FAMILY!

Are you passionate about creating impact, building connections, and growing as a leader? We're always excited to welcome new members into our vibrant community!

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