Lions Club of Kolonnawa



### **HUMAN RIGHTS DAY**

Human rights, rooted in inherent dignity, are fundamental freedoms for all, regardless of background. The 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) formalized these rights post-WWII, outlining civil, political, economic, social, and cultural entitlements.

Civil and political rights ensure individual liberties like speech and fair trials. Economic, social, and cultural rights focus on well-being, including access to education and healthcare. Collective rights address community needs, such as self-determination and environmental protection.

Despite progress, violations persist globally. Racial injustice, gender-based violence, and political repression remain critical challenges. For example:

- Racial Injustice in the US: According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Black Americans are imprisoned at roughly five times the rate of white Americans.
- Gender-based violence: The World Health Organization estimates that about 1 in 3 women worldwide have been subjected to physical and/or sexual violence in their lifetime, mostly by an intimate partner.
- Refugee crisis: The UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) reported that by mid-2023, there were 110 million forcibly displaced people worldwide, facing violations of basic rights.

Organizations like the UN Human Rights Council and Amnesty International strive for accountability.

Upholding these rights requires collective action from individuals, governments, and international bodies to ensure a just and equitable world.





#### MONTHLY MEETING

The 6th Monthly Meeting of the Lions Club of Kolonnawa was successfully held at the serene and picturesque Serenity Village in Ingiriya. The gathering was graced by the esteemed presence of our dedicated members, fostering meaningful discussions, strategic planning, and collaborative efforts to drive our ongoing community service initiatives forward. The event served as a platform to reflect on past achievements, outline future projects, and strengthen the bonds of fellowship among our members.

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# ESUSTAINING SUPPORT AT RAHULA DAMMA SCHOOL

We are proud to carry on our continuous project for another month! This time, we had the privilege of supporting the government dole recipients at Rahula Damma School, Gothatuwa, by providing their breakfast and expense money.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made this possible!





# EMPOWERING DREAMS, MONTHLY SUPPORT

Building on our commitment to long-term support, we've successfully provided another month of essential aid to a local family of four. This delivery, totaling Rs. 20,000 in dry rations, was made possible by the kind contribution of Lion Lesly.

We're proud to be a reliable source of support, delivering crucial resources every month.

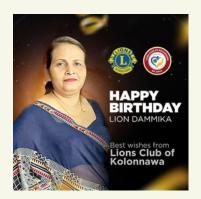
#### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

Wish you a wonderful birthday, Lion Deepani, Lion Anusha, Lion Dammika, Lion Chithra & Lion Madu.

Celebrate and cheer your way to a beautiful day.











### **LEADERSHIP QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

"Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others."

- JACK WELCH -