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#### Monthly Newsletter

### **Lions Club of Colombo Royalty - January 2025 Board Meeting Highlights**

The Lions Club of Colombo Royalty held its first Board Meeting of 2025 in January, where members gathered to discuss and approve various club activities and initiatives for the upcoming months. The meeting was productive and set the tone for another impactful year of service to the community.

A major focus of the meeting was the discussion and finalization of upcoming service projects. After thoughtful deliberations, several projects aimed at addressing key social needs were confirmed, with dates officially locked in. The club members are excited to roll out these initiatives, which will benefit a wide range of local communities.

In addition to the service projects, the Board also approved the final accounts of the club, ensuring financial transparency and accountability for the year. The approval marks a significant milestone, reflecting the club's commitment to its members, donors, and community partners.











## **Lions Club of Colombo Royalty - January 2025 Monthly Meeting Highlights**

The Lions Club of Colombo Royalty held its prestigious monthly meeting for January 2025 on the 31st, at the elegant Sri Lanka Army Engineer's Officers Mess in Colombo 02. The event was organized in a classy manner, embodying the spirit of the Lions' commitment to excellence and service.

A key highlight of the evening was the felicitation of the club's MJF (Melvin Jones Fellow) holders, who have shown exceptional dedication to the values and mission of the Lions Club. Lion Dammika Gunasekara and Lion Shereen Gunasekara were honored for their outstanding contributions toward achieving MJF status. Their tireless efforts and selfless service have been instrumental in advancing the goals of the club, and this recognition was a well-deserved tribute to their dedication.

The Chief Guest for the occasion was PCC/PDG Lion Diresh Hettiarachchi PMJF, MAF JP, who graced the event with his presence. As a respected leader within the Lions community, Lion Hettiarachchi shared valuable insights, reaffirming the importance of unity, service, and leadership in making a lasting impact.

The evening was a memorable occasion, filled with camaraderie, pride, and a shared commitment to service.

# **Lions Club of Colombo Royalty - Mid- Course Correction Meeting - January 2025**

On the 12th of January 2025, the Lions Club of Colombo Royalty actively participated in the highly anticipated Mid-Course Correction Meeting, held at the Raffles Banquet in Mirihana. The event brought together key figures from the Lions community, including the District Governor and key cabinet officers, to assess and align ongoing projects and activities.

A proud moment for the club came when the Region Chairman, Zone Chairman, and the Region Secretary—representing the Colombo Royalty—were collectively honored and appreciated by the District Governor and fellow cabinet officers. Their outstanding performance and leadership throughout the year were recognized with admiration and respect.

The performance of the Colombo Royalty members was highly praised, reflecting their dedication and commitment to the Lions' mission. Their contributions have significantly advanced the goals of the Lions movement in the region, making a positive impact on the community and reinforcing the club's reputation as a dynamic and influential force.

The Mid-Course Correction Meeting served as an opportunity for reflection, growth, and celebration, ensuring that the Lions Club of Colombo Royalty stays on course for even greater success in the remainder of the year.

The club is excited for the months ahead and remains focused on its mission of service, driven by the dedication of its exceptional members. Stay tuned for more news and updates on upcoming events and projects!











#### Educational Support Initiative at Darmavijaya Vidyalaya, Katugastota

Lion Sadik Hassan, a dedicated and compassionate member of the Lions Club of Colombo Royalty, has recently spearheaded a remarkable initiative to support the educational needs of students at Darmavijaya Vidyalaya in Katugastota, Kandy.

10th January 2025, Lion Sadik Hassan, along with fellow Lions members, distributed comprehensive school stationery packs to 100 students at the school. Each pack, valued at 7,000 LKR, was thoughtfully assembled to provide students with the essential tools for their academic journey. The packs included school bags, 20 exercise books, 10 pens, 2 pencils, 2 sharpeners, 2 erasers, 2 foot rulers, a box of 12 color pencils, and a box of 12 color pastels.

This generous contribution not only eased the financial burden on families but also ensured that every student was equipped with the necessary materials to excel in their studies. The inclusion of color pencils and pastels also fostered creativity, inspiring students to explore their artistic abilities alongside their academic pursuits.

# Relief Initiative for Low-Income Families in Mattakkuliya and Modara

Lion Sadik Hassan, a dedicated and compassionate member of the Lions Club of Colombo Royalty, has recently launched a heartfelt initiative to provide muchneeded relief to low-income families in the Mattakkuliya and Modara areas of Colombo District. This generous project, aimed at alleviating the daily struggles of families facing financial hardships, has made a significant impact on the lives of 200 households.

As part of this initiative, Lion Sadik Hassan distributed dry ration packs to 200 families, each valued at 5,500 LKR. The ration packs included essential staples such as 10 kg of rice and 10 kg of flour—two vital food items that will support families in maintaining their basic nutritional needs











#### Lions Club of Colombo Royalty – Humanitarian Relief Initiative in Marudamunai

Lion Sadik Hassan, a dedicated member of the Lions Club of Colombo Royalty, recently organized a heartwarming humanitarian initiative in Marudamunai, located in the Ampara District, on the 21st of January 2025. This project was designed to support low-income families in the region and provide them with muchneeded relief in the face of economic challenges.

As part of this initiative, Lion Sadik Hassan distributed essential dry ration packs to 200 families, with each pack containing 10 kg of rice and 10 kg of flour—two crucial staples for daily living. With an average of five members per family, this generous distribution directly benefited around 1,000 individuals, helping to alleviate the financial burden of everyday necessities