

**Education-related initiatives by group companies**



- Cinnamon Grand built toilets for the students of Sri Sidhhartha Vidyalaya with the help of funds collected from the hotel's associates, which are expected to benefit 208 children. The hotel also donated 150 milk packets to the school for its annual sports meet.
- Chaaya Citadel facilitated two educational visits to the hotel by students of Sirimalwatte College and Walala A.Rathnayake College, aggregating to approximately 80 students.
- Chaaya Citadel made a cash donation to the First Regiment of the Special Force, Naula, Matale, towards building a school for the children of disabled soldiers.
- Bentota Beach Hotel supports on an on-going basis the IT training programme implemented by Sri Dharmawijayaramaya, Pitaramba, Bentota for the benefit of village children by sponsoring the monthly cost of the trainer.
- Chaaya Reef Ellaidhoo renovated classrooms of the Hangnaameedhoo school.
- John Keells Computer Services (JKCS), a global provider of airline software solutions, awarded scholarships to undergraduates of the University of Colombo, School of Computing (UCSC) towards developing the IT skills of the country's youth in a bid to make Sri Lanka a leading-edge IT hub in Asia.
- JKCS also held a movie night as a fundraiser to purchase 122 pairs of shoes for the students of Wannipulugollewa Vidyalaya in Gambiriswewam Anuradhapura. The gift vouchers were delivered to the school on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2008.
- John Keells Office Automation (JKOA) provided a drinking water facility to St. Joseph's Educational Foundation for the Hearing Impaired in Kuliypitiya.
- JKOA also donated 2 computers in November 2008 to Vihara Maha Devi Balika Vidyalaya.
- Asian Hotels and Properties PLC (Property Sector) granted a four-year sponsorship for the education of 9-year old Chamodi under the Ranaviruvo Scholarship Fund.

### **Environment related initiatives by group companies**

- The CSR Team of Ceylon Cold Stores PLC (CCS) in collaboration with the Western Province Road Development Authority (WPRDA) initiated a tree planting programme to celebrate National Tree Planting Day 2008 on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2008 at Mahawela (located on the Ranala-Habarakada road). Thirty (30) Na (*English common name: Iron Wood; Scientific name: Mesua nagassarium*) saplings were planted beside a selected road stretch. 25 employees of the company, together with some government officials, members of local environmental organisations and a few villagers, participated in the initiative.
- The CCS CSR team also spearheaded the cleaning of the Depa-Ela canal in Ranala and tree planting in the area with the involvement of 15 staff volunteers.
- Cinnamon Lodge Habarana celebrated the World Environment Day (5<sup>th</sup> June 2008) and the World Responsible Tourism Day (12<sup>th</sup> November 2008) with students of Hiriwadunna School in the area and also donated library books towards promoting greater awareness of the environment.

- Bentota Beach Hotel supported the Tree Planting Programme organised by Sri Lanka Tourism covering the Bentota coast (on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2008) and World Beach Clean-up Day (on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2008), by sponsoring meals and refreshments for the participants.
- Walkers Tours Limited organised 3 workshops during the year for the members of the Nature Club and teachers of Yodakandiya School in Yala.
- John Keells Office Automation {Pvt} Ltd. (JKOA) collaborated with the Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry Sri Lanka (FCCISL) and the Central Environmental Authority (CEA) in organising a seminar on Plastic Recycling towards raising awareness on the importance and advantages of collecting and recycling plastic waste in a systematic manner.

### **Health related initiatives by group companies**

- Cinnamon Grand raised Rs.1.8 Million towards sponsoring the purchase of an operating theatre lamp for the Cancer Hospital, Maharagama. The full amount was handed over to the hospital with the assurance that the balance sum would be utilised for other projects at the Hospital. Over 400 patients are expected to have benefited from the donation.
- Cinnamon Grand also continued with its tradition of celebrating all the birthdays of the children at the Cancer Hospital on one day of each month. Over 100 such children were given gifts as well as hampers consisting fruits and cookies during the year. A drama was also performed by the hotel associates in order to entertain the children.
- Bentota Beach Hotel carried out extensive renovation work at the OPD section and surrounding garden of the Government Hospital, Bentota.
- Chaaya Village painted the Horiwila Hospital with the support of 15 staff volunteers.
- Chaaya Citadel organised a blood donation campaign at which 90 pints of blood were collected for donation.
- Cinnamon Island Alidhoo organised a Health Camp at the Haa Alif Baarah, Republic of Maldives. More than 200 islanders were treated at this camp whilst a wheel chair was donated to the island hospital of Baarah.
- Cinnamon Island Alidhoo also serviced air-conditioning plants of regional hospitals of Haa Alif Atoll. Having selected 3 hospitals of the region (Dhidhoo Hospital, Kuluhdufushi Hospital and Baarah Hospital), more than 50 A/C machines were repaired. This project was carried out by the A/C technicians of the resort with the support of all associates.
- Chaaya Island Dhonveli Resort and Spa organised a medical camp at the Huraa Island in the Maldives for which a team of specialists, including cardiologists, paediatricians, gynaecologists, eye surgeons and general surgeons, were flown in from Sri Lanka. About 350 islanders attended the camp.
- Chaaya Island Dhonveli also organised a blood donation campaign in association with the Ministry of Health and the Indira Gandhi Memorial Hospital.
- Asian Hotels and Properties PLC (Property Sector) contributed Rs.50,000 to the Kandy Kidney Protection Society (formed by a group of doctors at the Kandy

General Hospital) towards assisting poor patients who are unable to afford dialysis consumables.

- Asian Hotels and Properties PLC (Property Sector) also donated an electronic weighing scale with height measurement facilities and 2 wheelchairs to the Army Surgical Ward of the Kalubowila Hospital.
- John Keells Office Automation (JKOA) sponsored a programme at the National Thalassaemia Centre at Kurunegala towards purchasing 450 9-volt batteries required for injections of 75 children over a period of 6 months.