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Newsletter of the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre

MAY 2025

HAPPY VESAK DAY



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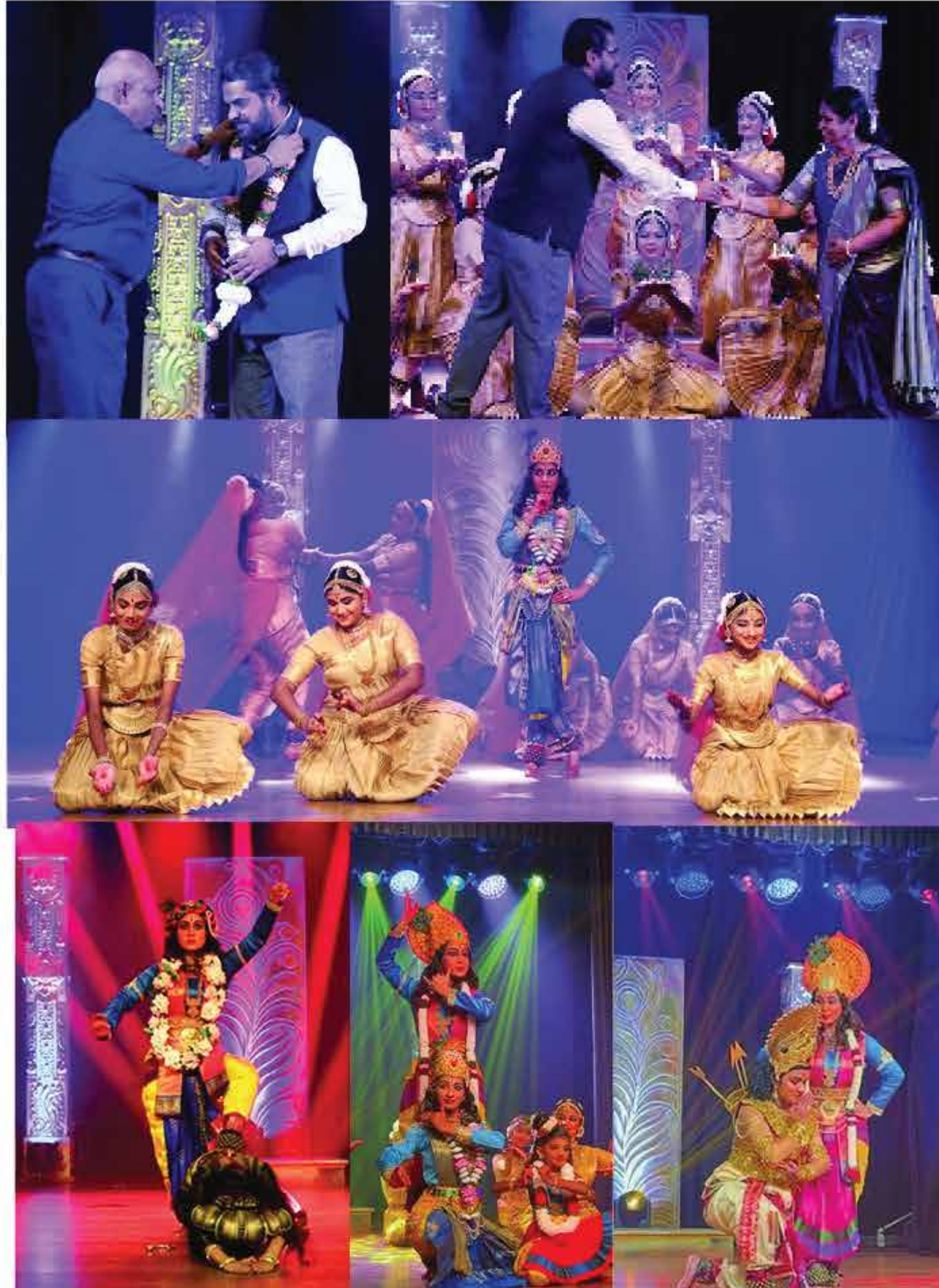
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Krishnamritham- dance drama live organised by Natya Kala Mandir in collaboration with Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre in Sri Lanka



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Bridging hearts through language! At NiwaththakaChethiya National College, Anuradhapura, Hindi is opening new doors. On April 9, 2025, the Director of ICCR in Sri Lanka lit up the Foreign Language Luminaries Ceremony as Chief Guest & gifted Hindi books to inspire young minds.



On April 10, 2025, Director Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre visited Sri Gnanodaya Maha Pirivena, Talawa, Anuradhapura. Welcomed by the Chief Incumbent Ven. Manikhinne Dheerananda Nayaka Thero, he shared insights on India-Anuradhapura's age-old ties & gifted writing materials and comic book of Jataka tales to the venerable student monks.



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Meet The Author April edition featured Dr. Kaushalya Kumarasinghe – a contemporary novelist, translator, and social science researcher – whose novels delve into human emotions, relationships, and inner struggles, reflecting Sri Lankan society. A Hindi translation of one of his Sinhala novels is published as- इस छुपी हुई खड़की में झाँको.



"Poetry Rain of Bharat"- Sabuddhi Poetry Narratives – a beautiful journey of verse connecting hearts and a new literary window in friendship. The Director of SVCC in Sri Lanka attended as Chief Guest at the 100th anniversary of Sabuddhi Poetry Narratives, held at the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs, Colombo on 27th of April



Drums rolled, smiles bloomed, and traditions came alive! ICCR in Sri Lanka celebrated Sinhala and Tamil New Year today with vibrant spirit and boundless joy. Here's to a year of new beginnings and cherished memories!



Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, a marked International Dance Day with breathtaking Kathak, Kandyam, and folk performances by the maestros and budding stars of Theodora Thelma Theatre Foundation and Kathak Kendra – where tradition danced into timelessness!



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