

# SWAMI VIVEKANANDA CULTURAL CENTRE HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA

# COLOMBO

## SRI LANKA

### REPORT ON ACTIVITIES HELD AT THE CENTRE DURING THE MONTH OF MAY2019

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#### Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre High Commission of India Colombo Events of May 2019 with photographic impressions

#### May 6-Preparation of IDY 2019

A preparatory meeting for IDY celebrations with members of all eminent Yoga institutes of Sri Lanka was held at SVCC,Colombo





#### May 7-Curtain Raiser # 1-IDY 2019 at the World Health Day Celebrations

First curtain raiser event of IDY2019 with a rejuvenating Yoga & Pranayama session was held at Independence Arcade,Colombo at the World Health Day Celebrations by WHO Sri Lanka with presence of Dr. Razia Pendse, head of WHO(SL), Mrs Hanna Singer, UN Ambassador and other dignitaries.







#### May 18 Commencement of IDY 2019 practice session

Gearing up to IDY 2019 instructors from 15 Yoga institutions of Sri Lanka came together to start the practice at SVCC,Colombo Session started with prayer and meditation in memory of the departed souls in the Easter bomb attack in Sri Lanka.





#### May 19-Vesak celebrations at SVCC

Celebrating Vesak (Buddha Purnima) seeking blessings of Lord Buddha at SVCC,Colombo





#### May 20 Felicitation of Sri Lankan Singers of Vaishnava Jana Toh

At a Special event held at the High Commission letters of appreciationfrom Hon. SmtSushmaSwaraj, former EAM along with specially made Coffee table books were presented by H.E.TaranjitSandhu, HC to eminent youth icons of Sri Lanka of Bathiya, Santhush&Umaria for their contribution in the making of the video of Vaishnava Jana Toh". At the felicitation ceremony singers Bathiya and Santhush expressed their gratitude to HC and Govt of India through a beautiful rendition of folk song. Videos of Vaishnava Jana Toh were screened at the occasion.







#### May 22 Launch of a trilingual handbook

A trilingual handbook for beginners "Hindarshika"-English-Hindi-Sinhala edited by Dr Monica Sharma &Sri Lankan student SarasiRanasinghe was released at SVCC,Colombo.First copy of the book was presented to HC H.E.TaranjitSandhu. The copies were also presented to Deputy High Commissioner Dr. ShilpakAmbule and other officers of the Mission.



#### May 28 Visit of Maldivian Ambassador to SVCC

His Excellency Omar Abdul Razzak ,Ambassador of Maldives along with Mr. AslamShakir, Deputy Ambassador paid a courtesy call on Mrs.RajashreeBehera,Director of SVCC. His visit was to mainly see the activities of the Centre.



