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THE FUTURE OF EXPORTS

The future of exports will be marked by rapid technological evolution, changing global consumer dynamics and a more responsible approach to international trade. From global e-commerce and the digitisation of supply chains to artificial intelligence and sustainability, current trends are shaping a landscape in which companies will need to adapt quickly to stay competitive.

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In Conversation with

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TexStyle Lanka Exports (Pvt) Ltd.

Honorary Secretary - NCE



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We combine skilled craftsmanship with modern manufacturing practices to deliver high quality technical textile products trusted by global customers.”



Established in 1998, TexStyle Lanka Exports (Pvt) Ltd. is a leading manufacturer and exporter of high quality technical textile and apparel products. With a strong commitment to innovation, sustainability and ethical practices, the company partners with global brands to deliver value-driven solutions that combine performance, durability and trust.

Legacy & Transition

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"As a second-generation leader stepping into a legacy textile company, what core foundational values have you retained from the founding generation, and where have you felt it necessary to pivot to keep the business agile?"

TexStyle Lanka Exports was founded in 1998, and the values established by the founding generation, integrity, quality, reliability and long-term customer relationships remain at the heart of our business. As the second generation, my focus has been on building on those strengths while adapting to an increasingly competitive global market. We have moved further into specialised technical textile products, strengthened customer engagement and embraced a more proactive, data-driven approach to business development. Rather than competing on price alone, we focus on value, technical capability and trust.

Modernization & Operational Adaptation

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"Legacy businesses often face friction when updating systems. How have you balanced honoring traditional craftsmanship and established processes with adopting modern supply chain technologies, automated machinery, or sustainable manufacturing?"

Our strength lies in combining skilled craftsmanship with modern manufacturing practices. We have invested in technical processes, quality systems, and continuous improvement while maintaining the high standards our customers expect. Sustainability, lean manufacturing and supply chain transparency are becoming increasingly important, and we continue to evolve our operations without compromising quality.

NCE Support: Policy Advocacy & Macro Issues

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"In an era of fluctuating trade policies and global economic shifts, how valuable has the NCE's representation been in bringing macro industry issues—like tariffs, export documentation, and trade barriers—to national policymakers on behalf of Sri Lankan exporters?"

The National Chamber of Exporters plays an important role in representing exporters on national policy issues. Whether it is taxation, trade barriers, export documentation, or market access, having a unified industry voice is invaluable. NCE also guides on compliance and ethical trading, helping companies like ours remain competitive in demanding international markets.

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Navigating Workforce & Supply Chain Challenges



"The textile sector frequently faces labor retention and raw material sourcing challenges. How has your company adapted to these operational hurdles, and what role does NCE play in connecting member exporters with key solutions or trade leads?"



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Labour availability and global supply chain disruptions have challenged every manufacturer. We have responded by investing in employee development, maintaining strong supplier relationships, and focusing on higher value-added technical products rather than competing purely on cost. However, these are not challenges that any one business can solve alone.

Since the economic crisis, Sri Lanka has experienced a significant outflow of skilled and experienced workers seeking opportunities overseas. While worker remittances remain an important contributor to the economy, equal attention must be given to retaining and developing the talent that our industries need to remain globally competitive. Without a strong and sustainable workforce, our manufacturing sector will inevitably come under increasing pressure. Organisations such as the NCE have an important role to play in bringing these issues to the attention of the policymakers, facilitating informed dialogue, and helping develop practical, long-term solutions that ensure the sustainability of Sri Lanka's export sector.

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Expanding Global Market Reach



"Second-generation leadership often brings a fresh perspective on international expansion. How do NCE-organized trade delegations, market intelligence, and global networking opportunities assist you in breaking into new export destinations?"

Second-generation leadership brings fresh thinking and a greater emphasis on international relationship building. NCE trade missions, networking events and market intelligence have helped create opportunities to engage new customers and strengthen Sri Lanka's reputation as a producer of high quality technical apparel products.

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Crisis Management & Operational Continuity



"When unexpected disruptions hit global supply chains, agility is crucial. Can you share an example of how NCE's operational assistance or inter-chamber networks helped clear bottlenecks to keep your export deliveries running on schedule?"

Recent years have shown the importance of agility. Whether dealing with logistics disruptions or changing customer requirements, strong communication with customers and industry partners has been essential. NCE's platform for sharing information and engaging with policymakers has helped exporters navigate difficult periods more effectively.

Future Vision & Sustainable Legacy

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"Looking ahead to the next decade, what is your long-term roadmap for the company, and how do you envision NCE evolving to support the next wave of second-generation textile exporters in Sri Lanka?"

Over the next decade, our vision is to further establish TexStyle Lanka as a globally recognised manufacturer of specialised technical stitched products while continuing to invest in people, innovation and sustainable manufacturing. I would like to see NCE continue expanding its advocacy, market development initiatives and support for the next generation of Sri Lankan exporters, helping businesses move further up the value chain. Adership brings fresh thinking and a greater emphasis on international relationship building. NCE trade missions, networking events and market intelligence have helped create opportunities to engage new customers and strengthen Sri Lanka's reputation as a producer of high quality technical apparel products.

Our roadmap is built on innovation, people and sustainability—ensuring that we create long-term value for customers, communities and the next generation.



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Chamber Activities

Launching of the NCE Export Awards 2026 for the 34th Consecutive Year



The Journey to Excellence Begins!

On the 6th July 2026, NCE officially launched applications for the NCE Export Awards 2026 at Mandarina Hotel, Colombo, with entries closing on 30 September 2026.

Recognized as Sri Lanka's premier and most prestigious export awards programme, the NCE Export Awards celebrate the outstanding achievements of the nation's exporters who continue to take Sri Lanka to the world.

More than an awards ceremony, this is an evening of professionalism, glamour, and prestige, honouring the very best performers in Sri Lanka's export sector.

The credibility of the awards is built on a rigorous and transparent evaluation process, with entries assessed by a 30-member Technical Evaluation Committee and a distinguished 10-member Main Panel of Judges. We are also proud to have Ernst & Young as our Strategic Knowledge Partner, further strengthening the integrity and international standing of the programme.

Only the best of the best earn recognition at the NCE Export Awards, making it one of the most coveted accolades for Sri Lankan exporters.

NCE invites all eligible exporters to submit their applications and showcase their excellence on the national stage with international recognition.

Launching of the NCE Export Awards 2026 for the 34th Consecutive Year



The NCE team met with the High Commissioner of Pakistan to Sri Lanka, together with officials of the Pakistan High Commission's Trade Wing, to discuss strengthening bilateral trade and economic cooperation between Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

The discussions focused on several key initiatives, including organizing a dedicated awareness workshop on the Pakistan–Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement (PSFTA) to help Sri Lankan exporters better understand and utilize the opportunities available under the Agreement.

The meeting also explored the organization of inward and outward trade delegations to facilitate business-to-business networking and create new export opportunities for companies in both countries. The areas under discussion include: expand market access for Sri Lankan products; reverse the decline in Sri Lankan tea exports to Pakistan; introduce additional agricultural products, including pineapple, into the Pakistani market; and further strengthen bilateral trade and investment cooperation.

In addition, both parties discussed establishing strategic partnerships between the National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) and leading trade chambers in Pakistan through Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs), paving the way for stronger institutional collaboration, business matchmaking, and increased bilateral trade.

The NCE remains committed to creating new international market opportunities for Sri Lankan exporters and strengthening trade relationships with key regional partners beyond traditional export markets.

Workshop on Taxation and Recent Amendments to Tax Regulations



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) successfully conducted a workshop on Taxation and the Recent Income Tax, VAT & SSCL Amendments, led by Mr. Suresh Perera, Principal and Head of Tax & Regulatory at KPMG Sri Lanka.

The session provided participants with valuable insights into the latest taxation developments, recent legislative amendments, and their practical implications for businesses, equipping exporters with the knowledge required to navigate the evolving tax landscape with confidence.

Representing various companies, 25 participants were present, and there was good dialogue among them to understand these new regulations on various taxes.

As a token of appreciation, Mr. Perera was awarded a plaque from the NCE Secretariat commending his great support to strengthen Sri Lankan export sector through NCE initiatives.

NCE at the Workshop on the National Eco-Label in Sri Lanka



The NCE participated in the Workshop on the National Eco-Label in Sri Lanka, contributing to discussions on advancing sustainable exports, green certification, and environmental standards for Sri Lankan businesses.

The workshop focused on developing a nationally recognized Eco-Label to strengthen Sri Lanka's export competitiveness, promote sustainable production, support the circular economy, and enhance international market credibility. Industry stakeholders also discussed the importance of transparent certification processes, capacity building, and preventing greenwashing to create a trusted eco-label for Sri Lankan products.

NCE in partnership with Media to promote Sri Lanka's exporters



Meeting with LMD Leadership – Met with the top management of LMD and formally presented the 129th Edition of Sri Lanka Exporter Magazine. The meeting provided an opportunity to discuss collaboration in promoting Sri Lankan exporters, strengthening industry visibility, and highlighting the country's export achievements through media partnerships.

Meeting with His Excellency the High Commissioner from India to Sri Lanka



It was a privilege for the NCE to meet with His Excellency Santosh Jha, High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka to continue the discussion to strengthen Indi-Sri Lanka bilateral trade relations.

His Excellency shared valuable insights into the evolving India-Sri Lanka trade relations, the impact of the FTA between India and Sri Lanka, enriched by his extensive diplomatic experience and engaging anecdotes. The discussion reaffirmed our shared commitment to strengthening bilateral trade and fostering greater collaboration between our two nations.

As part of this commitment, NCE facilitated the participation of exporters from across Sri Lanka in a B2B networking session with the Indian trade delegation on 29 July 2026, creating new opportunities for partnerships and business growth.

The meeting further reinforced the mutual trust and shared vision between NCE and the High Commission of India to empower exporters, promote meaningful trade partnerships through similar events like NCE international delegation to India next month, and deepen economic ties between Sri Lanka and India.

Meeting with His Excellency the Ambassador from Russia to Sri Lanka



His Excellency Levan S. Dzagharyan and NCE leadership discussed trade, economics and banking matters that impact bilateral trade relations for both Sri Lanka and Russia during NCE's short visit to the Embassy of Russia in Colombo.

He reiterated on the traditional and non-traditional exports, including Ceylon tea, rubber, coconut products, spices, apparel, and fisheries, that play a part in attracting the export market to Russia.

Russia continues to rank among Sri Lanka's top source markets for inbound tourism, with ongoing emphasis on direct flight connectivity and travel promotion.

Ambassador Dzagharyan has consistently reiterated the Russian Embassy's commitment to supporting Sri Lankan exporters and facilitating direct contact between Russian buyers and Sri Lankan businesses.

Workshop on “Understanding Temporary Imports for Exports (TIEP) Scheme”



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE), in partnership with Sri Lanka Customs, successfully concluded the "Understanding Temporary Imports for Exports (TIEP) Scheme" Workshop on 28th July 2026.

The workshop provided exporters with valuable insights into the Temporary Import for Export (TIEP) Scheme, covering its procedures, documentation, compliance requirements, and practical implementation. Led by experts from Sri Lanka Customs, the interactive session equipped participants with the knowledge to effectively utilize the scheme while ensuring regulatory compliance.

The overwhelming response from the export community underscored the strong demand for the programme. In response, the NCE has scheduled a second session on 5th August 2026 to accommodate additional participants.

Promoting Sri Lanka Exporter Magazine among key trade delegations



We were honored to present the 128th and 129th editions of our Sri Lanka Exporter magazines to the Head of the Indian Chamber of Commerce – Tamil Nadu Trade Council, Mr. Sivakumar Eashwaran. This symbolic handover reflects our continued commitment to fostering knowledge sharing, industry insights, and stronger business collaboration. He showed genuine interest in the magazines and their content and complimented the NCE team for publishing quality publication material on the export sector from Sri Lanka that matters.

We extend our sincere gratitude for the support and encouragement of the Indian Chamber of Commerce and look forward to strengthening this valued association in the years ahead.

Northern Province to Build Momentum as Export Hub



The Northern Province is steadily strengthening its position as one of Sri Lanka's emerging centres for exports and investment, with the National Chamber of Exporters (NCE) Business Forum in Jaffna providing fresh momentum for the region's economic transformation.

Held at the District Secretariat Conference Hall on July 22, the forum brought together government agencies, business leaders, financial institutions, technology providers and entrepreneurs to explore new opportunities for expanding exports and supporting private sector growth.

With Seylan Bank as the exclusive banking partner, Smart Marine Lanka as the exclusive logistics partner, and Dialog Enterprise as the exclusive digital partner, NCE delegation to the northern province helped expanding the business horizons of the business community in the region.

The Industrial Development Board, The Management Club Jaffna, the Export Development Board, the Jaffna Managers' Forum, the Chamber of Commerce and Trade of Yarlpanam, National Enterprise Development Authority, and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Trincomalee district spearheaded organizing B2B Business Forums organized in collaboration with NCE, bringing together 150+ suppliers, producers, and aspiring exporters from across the region.

Addressing participants, NCE President and TMC Jaffna Chairman Indhira Kaushal Rajapakse and NCE Secretary General and CEO Shiham Marikar outlined the Chamber's vision for creating new export opportunities, while Chamber of Northern Exporters President Shanmuganathan Suganthan highlighted the importance of supporting local entrepreneurs to access international markets.

The forum also showcased practical solutions for exporters. Presentations by Smart Marine Lanka (MISL), Seylan Bank and Dialog Enterprise focused on improving logistics, digital connectivity and financial services for businesses seeking to expand beyond Sri Lanka.

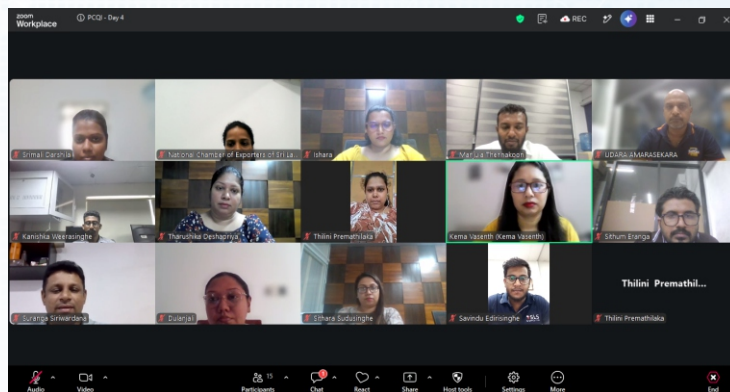
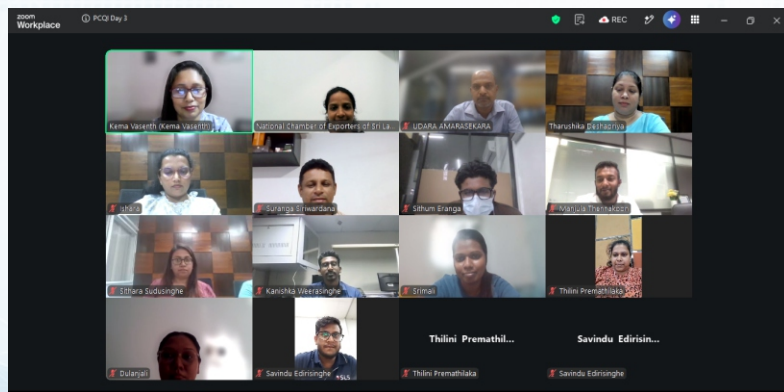
One of the event's highlights was the partnership between Smart Marine Lanka (SML) and Seylan Bank. As the exclusive banking partner, Seylan Bank offers integrated banking, trade finance and digital payment solutions that simplify cross-border transactions and help exporters operate more efficiently, while SML envisions establishing a branch in the northern province to ease logistical challenges the exports from the region are facing.

Beyond presentations, business-to-business meetings enabled entrepreneurs to connect directly with potential partners, while technical sessions conducted by the EDB covered export standards, certification, logistics, finance and digital marketing.

The forum also complemented broader development initiatives underway in the Northern Province, including the Northern Investment Summit (NIS 2026), the One Stop Shop for Investors (OSSI), plans to develop Jaffna Port and Airport, tourism promotion and increased engagement with the Tamil diaspora.

As partnerships between government agencies, the private sector and development organisations continue to strengthen, the Northern Province is moving beyond post-conflict recovery and steadily establishing itself as a competitive destination for exports, investment and entrepreneurship, creating new opportunities for businesses and communities across the region.

NCE Empowers Food Exporters through PCQI Training Programme



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) successfully conducted the Preventive Controls Qualified Individual (PCQI) Training Programme (Version 2.0) from 21st to 24th July 2026 via Zoom. Conducted by an FDA-recognized Lead Instructor, the three-and-a-half-day Programme helped NCE member exporters from Food & Beverage sector gain a better understanding of U.S. food safety regulations and the requirements for exporting to the U.S. market.

Participants who successfully completed the programme received the official FSPCA Training Completion Certificate. The training was designed for Food Safety Team Leaders, Compliance Officers, Production Officers, and Quality Assurance (QA) Professionals with a HACCP background, helping them strengthen their knowledge of internationally recognized food safety practices.

As part of its ongoing efforts to support exporters, the NCE plans to conduct the next batch of the PCQI Training Programme in the near future. Organizations interested in participating are encouraged to contact the NCE Secretariat at ms2@nce.lk to register their interest. Registered organizations will be notified once the dates for the next programme are confirmed.

Renewal of the NCE Strategic Partnership with Ernst & Young



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) is pleased to announce the renewal of its strategic partnership with Ernst & Young (EY), one of the world's leading multinational professional services organizations. This renewed collaboration reflects the shared commitment of both organizations to supporting the sustainable growth, competitiveness, and global success of Sri Lanka's export sector.

As the Strategic Knowledge Partner, EY continues to play a vital role in providing expert knowledge, strategic insights, and professional advisory support across a broad spectrum of areas that are critical to exporters. Leveraging its extensive global network and industry expertise, EY contributes valuable perspectives on emerging market trends, international trade, regulatory developments, taxation, digital transformation, sustainability, governance, risk management, and business resilience. These insights enable Sri Lankan exporters to navigate an increasingly dynamic global marketplace while identifying new opportunities for growth and innovation.

The partnership also supports a range of knowledge-sharing initiatives, including seminars, workshops, forums, publications, and thought leadership programs designed to equip NCE members with practical knowledge and best practices. Through these initiatives, exporters gain access to timely information and strategic guidance that enhances their capacity to compete effectively in international markets.

The NCE greatly values its longstanding relationship with EY, which has consistently contributed to strengthening the capabilities of Sri Lanka's exporter community. The renewal of this partnership underscores the mutual commitment of both organizations to fostering innovation, promoting sustainable business practices, and creating a resilient export ecosystem that supports the country's economic development.

We are honored and privileged to continue this valued partnership with EY and look forward to further strengthening our collaboration in the years ahead. Together, we remain committed to empowering Sri Lankan exporters with the knowledge, expertise, and strategic support needed to succeed in an increasingly competitive global environment while contributing to the nation's export growth and economic prosperity.

Seylan Bank PLC Officially Partners with the NCE as the Exclusive Banking Partner for the NCE Northern Province Delegation



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) is pleased to welcome Seylan Bank PLC as the "Exclusive Banking Partner" for the "NCE Northern Province Delegation", scheduled to take place from 21st to 23rd July 2026.

This national initiative is focused on connecting and strengthening Sri Lanka's exporter value chain by fostering collaboration among exporters, financial institutions, government agencies, regional stakeholders, and business support organizations. The delegation will provide a platform to explore new opportunities, enhance regional trade partnerships, and promote export development in the Northern Province.

NCE extends its sincere appreciation to Seylan Bank PLC for its valued partnership and commitment to supporting Sri Lanka's export sector. Together, we look forward to empowering exporters and contributing to the sustainable growth and global competitiveness of the nation's export industry.

David Pieris Logistics (Private) Limited renews Strategic Partnership with NCE



It was a pleasure meeting the outstanding team at David Pieris Logistics (Private) Limited, a valued strategic partner of the National Chamber of Exporters (NCE) of Sri Lanka.

With expertise spanning transportation, freight forwarding, third-party logistics (3PL), warehouse management, and end-to-end supply chain solutions, David Pieris Logistics continues to play a vital role in connecting Sri Lankan businesses to global markets. Their professionalism, innovation, and commitment to excellence make them a trusted logistics partner for exporters.

Looking forward to strengthening our partnership and working together to support the growth of Sri Lanka's export sector.

NCE Exporter Awards made possible by our Strategic Event Partners



A heartfelt thank you to all our valued Strategic Partners for coming on board to support the 34th Annual NCE Export Awards 2026.

Recognizing the unwavering support and confidence in the National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka, NCE honoured the partners at the NCE Exporter Awards application launch ceremony on the 06th July 2026. This marks the recognition of how the sponsors have enabled us to elevate the NCE Export Awards year after year, making it Sri Lanka's most prestigious and professionally conducted export awards ceremony.

We look forward to strengthening the collaboration with our strategic partners and continuing the successful partnership at future NCE events and across many other Chamber initiatives that support the growth of Sri Lanka's export sector.



Thank you for being our partners in promoting export excellence

Stronger Together for Sri Lanka's Export Future



The NCE is proud to strengthen its strategic partnership with Pan Asia Bank PLC, united by a shared vision to empower Sri Lankan exporters and drive an export-led economy.

As a symbol of this collaboration, NCE presented the "The Story of the Ceylon Coconut" – the 129th Edition of Sri Lanka Exporter Magazine to Mr. Sirimevan Senivirathne, Chief Marketing Officer of Pan Asia Bank PLC, recognizing the Bank's continued commitment to supporting the nation's exports.

Together, Pan Asia Bank and NCE are building stronger partnerships, creating greater opportunities for exporters, and paving the way for Sri Lankan businesses to reach global markets with confidence.

Presenting the Story of the Ceylon Coconut – 129th Edition of the Exporter Magazine to the Sectoral Head



The "Story of the Ceylon Coconut," the 129th Edition of the Exporter Magazine was proudly presented to Mr. Thideema Perera, Sectoral Head of the Coconut and Coconut-Based Products Sector of the NCE and General Manager – Sales & Marketing at Hayleys Group company Rileys (Pvt) Ltd.

The magazine features his insightful article on Sri Lanka's journey toward exceeding USD 1 billion in coconut and coconut-based product exports, highlighting the sector's achievements, challenges, and future opportunities.

The handover recognizes Mr. Perera's valuable contribution to the publication and his continued leadership in advancing Sri Lanka's coconut export industry through innovation, value addition, and sustainable growth.

His article highlights the following:

Sri Lanka's coconut industry supports rural livelihoods and is a key export sector, with the Coconut Triangle at its heart.

Value-added products like coconut milk, virgin coconut oil, activated carbon, and coco peat helped the industry surpass USD 1 billion in exports in 2025.

⚠ Challenges such as climate change, labour shortages, rising costs, and global competition continue to impact the sector.

The future is promising, with plans for Northern Province expansion, sustainable cultivation, and innovation to drive long-term growth.

Read his article on page 18 on this link: <https://lnkd.in/gyJ5Zbi7>

NCE Strengthening Sri Lanka–Canada Business Relations



The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) is pleased to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

This strategic partnership marks an important milestone in enhancing economic cooperation and creating new opportunities for businesses in both countries. Through this MoU, the NCE and the Canadian Chamber of Commerce have streamlined a series of collaborative initiatives aimed at promoting bilateral trade, investment opportunities, joint ventures, business partnerships, and tourism-related cooperation. The partnership will focus on facilitating stronger business connections, encouraging knowledge sharing, supporting market access, and creating platforms for exporters, investors, and entrepreneurs to explore new opportunities.

The NCE remains committed to building strong international partnerships that empower Sri Lankan exporters and contribute towards sustainable economic growth through global collaboration.

Strengthening Sri Lanka–India Business Relations

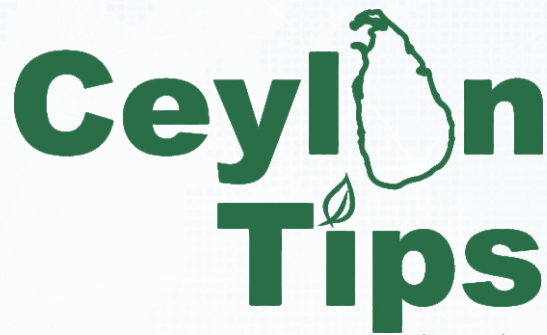


The National Chamber of Exporters of Sri Lanka (NCE) is proud to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Chamber of Commerce during a business networking event organised by the High Commission of India in Sri Lanka.

The event brought together around 30 leading Indian business representatives along with members of the NCE, creating an excellent platform for networking and exploring new business opportunities. Through this strategic partnership, both Chambers will work closely to connect their respective memberships, facilitating trade, investment, business partnerships, joint ventures, and the exchange of commercial opportunities between Sri Lanka and India. The collaboration is expected to open new avenues for exporters and businesses in both countries, particularly by strengthening links with the dynamic business community in Southern India.

The NCE looks forward to transforming this partnership into meaningful business outcomes that will contribute to increased bilateral trade and long-term economic cooperation.

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Ceylon Tips Branding (Pvt) Ltd

Ceylon Tips Branding (Pvt) Ltd is an award-winning Sri Lankan export company specializing in premium Ceylon tea, gemstones, and selected value-added Sri Lankan products. The company is dedicated to delivering high-quality products that meet international standards while promoting the unique heritage and craftsmanship of Sri Lanka.

Our services include product sourcing, export facilitation, private labeling, international trade consulting, brand development, and market expansion support. With a strong commitment to quality, reliability, and customer satisfaction, Ceylon Tips Branding serves clients across multiple international markets and continues to build strategic partnerships worldwide.

Visit our website and be a part of our journey: <https://www.ceylontips.com/>



Company Profile

Sierra Cables PLC is a premier Sri Lankan cable manufacturer, proudly part of the LOLC Group, one of Sri Lanka's leading and most diversified conglomerates. Driven by a strong commitment to quality, innovation, and full compliance with both local and international standards, the company operates a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility complemented by an advanced in-house laboratory, ensuring superior product performance, safety, and reliability at every stage of production. Sierra Cables continues to strengthen its export portfolio and international footprint, supplying to key regions including Asia, Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Oceania, and the United States.

Sierra Cables holds the distinction of being Sri Lanka's only cable manufacturer certified to UL 44 and UL 854 standards and actively supplying to the U.S. market, reflecting its unwavering commitment to internationally benchmarked quality and performance. This positions the company as a trusted and reliable global partner, delivering cable solutions that meet the highest international benchmarks.

Products:

Armoured and Unarmoured Cables, Single Core Cables, Telephone Cables, Twin Flat Cables, Earth, Battery Wire, Flexible, Bare Conductors, Auto Cables, Switchgear Cables, Welding Cables, Coaxial Cables, Solar Cables, Control Cables, Binding Wire, ABC Cables, Overhead Cables, and specialised cables for export markets catering to infrastructure and construction.

Visit our website to start a journey together with us:

<https://www.sierracables.com>

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SENIKMA HOLDINGS (PVT) LTD



Established in 2013, we are backed by a qualified, well experienced and a dedicated team of professionals in processing and delivering a range of premium quality coconut- based organic food products to the global market.

Whilst on a steady and continuous growth over the years and receiving the honor of presidential export awards & NCE export awards in numerous occasions, SENIKMA Holdings enhances sustainable stakeholder relationships and has empowered local growers on the expertise to support organic farming. Control of entire supply chain from farm to fork has been taken over by the company in order to make sure REAL ORGANIC PRODCUTS are delivered to our valuable customer base around the globe.



Hayleys Fabric PLC

Hayleys Fabric PLC is Sri Lanka's largest knitted fabric manufacturer and a pioneer in innovative, sustainable, and high-performance fabric solutions. Established in 1992 and commencing commercial operations in 1993, the Company has evolved into a world class fabric manufacturer renowned for its strong innovation capabilities and its proprietary performance fabric brand, INNO. As a publicly listed company on the Colombo Stock Exchange and a subsidiary of Hayleys PLC, one of Sri Lanka's most respected and diversified conglomerates, Hayleys Fabric continues to play a leading role in supplying premium fabric solutions to the global apparel industry.

With an annual turnover of approximately USD 124 million and a production capacity exceeding 3 million meters of fabric per month, Hayleys Fabric serves some of the world's leading apparel brands, including Nike, PVH, Decathlon, NEXT, Calzedonia, ASICS, and Victoria's Secret. The Company operates on a strategic partnership model, collaborating closely with its Tier-1 customers through dedicated innovation and product development teams to create differentiated, fashion-forward, and performance-driven fabric solutions.

Join our journey exploring more about us on our website: www.hayleysfabric.com



NCE featured in Media

With the launch of the applications for the 34th Consecutive Export Awards of the National Chamber of Exporters (NCE) of Sri Lanka on the 06th of July, 2026 the export sector companies of Sri Lanka are getting ready for a competitive bidding to win their award and leave a memorable mark in the export industries.

The following news was featured in the media in July on the NCE, its 34th consecutive Awards in 2026, and the recent NCE Business delegation to Northern Province.

NCE Export Awards to honour Lanka's top exporters on Dec.11
<https://tinyurl.com/2urvhaec>

"Sri Lanka on course for another record export year in 2026"
<https://tinyurl.com/4ne4pt6j>

NCE strengthens partnership with Ernst & Young

Highlighting the renewed strategic partnership of NCE with Ernst & Young (EY), the local media covered how NCE and EY continue to promote the Sri Lankan exporters to reach their highest, with a vision in sight. They reaffirmed a shared commitment to enhancing the competitiveness, resilience, and global readiness of Sri Lankan exporters.

<https://hirunews.lk/en/business/477954/nce-strengthens-partnership-with-ernst-young>
<https://www.dailymirror.lk/business/NCE-and-Ernst-Young-strengthen-partnership/215-345865>
<https://bizenglish.adaderana.lk/national-chamber-of-exporters-strengthens-strategic-partnership-with-ernst-young-to-enhance-support-for-sri-lankan-exporters/>

NCE Delegation in the Northern Province

National Chamber of Exporters (NCE) delegation to Jaffna marked far more than another business conference. It represented another significant milestone in the Northern Province's steady transformation from a post-conflict region into an emerging centre for exports, investment, entrepreneurship and private sector-led economic development.

https://www.jaffnapost.com/northern-sri-lanka-takes-another-step-towards-becoming-an-export-and-investment-hub/?fbclid=IwZnRzaATPh5VwZG9mBWZkaWQWULG53E0QSovcT_8YBOfgClP7zqHknWV4dG4DYWVtAjExAHNydGMGYXBwX2lkCjY2Mjg1NjgzNzkAAR7Tb5tDKmN5DV8ioi2pXgOiv6TD40LbmKP1yQ-ggO1GHZwZVt9yluQOUWRmKQ_aem_GWvLRVlaSo6xD_01EBMhsA

The following NCE Members have been awarded the Certificate of Ethical Trading and conform to changing regulatory needs and consumer preferences through good practices related to Trade, Labour, Ethical Behavior, Environment & Society

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Royal Fernwood Porcelain Ltd



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MAIN SERVICES OF THE CHAMBER

- **Unique Membership Certificate**** – Establish your credibility as a distinguished member of Sri Lanka's premier export chamber.
- **Lobbying & Advocacy**** – NCE represents your interests at trade forums and engages with policymakers to address industry concerns.
- **Market Information & Insights**** – Stay ahead with trade-related updates, market trends, and business opportunities.
- **Training & Development**** – Enhance your expertise through seminars, webinars, and industry-led workshops.
- **"Sri Lanka Exporter" Magazine**** – Showcase your products and services in a leading trade publication, available in print and digital formats.
- **Export Documentation Services**** – Obtain certified export documents, including Certificates of Origin, at exclusive member rates.
- **Professional Courses (NIOE)**** – Gain valuable skills in International Trade Management through accredited programs.
- **Trade Fairs & Delegations**** – Expand your global presence with access to international trade fairs, B2B meetings, and market entry programs.
- **Producer-Exporter Linkages**** – Connect with suppliers and regional producers to strengthen your export network.
- **SME Exporter Support**** – Special membership for SMEs (Aspiring Exporters) with free advisory services to help them become future exporters.
- **Certificate of Ethical Trading (CET)**** – Get recognized for ethical business practices with an internationally accepted certification.
- **PCQI Certification**** – Train and certify food sector professionals under US FDA preventive controls regulations.
- **NCE Annual Export Awards**** – Gain industry recognition at Sri Lanka's most prestigious export awards ceremony.

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Honouring 15 Years of Leadership: Felicitation to Mr. Shiham Marikar

NCE proudly felicitated Mr. Shiham Marikar, Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in recognition of his 15 years of dedicated service and outstanding leadership.



Mr. Marikar joined the NCE in 2011 as a Manager - Trade Promotions, and in six months was promoted to Director - Trade Promotions. Through his commitment, expertise, and strategic vision, he steadily progressed through the ranks, ultimately assuming the role of Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer. His professional journey is a testament to his dedication to the Chamber and to the advancement of Sri Lanka's export sector.



Throughout his tenure, Mr. Marikar has worked under the leadership of seven past Presidents, playing a pivotal role in strengthening the Chamber's position as the premier private-sector organization representing exporters. Under his guidance, the NCE has expanded its services, strengthened engagement with stakeholders, and continued to champion the interests of the export community across Sri Lanka.



His visionary leadership, unwavering commitment, and passion for excellence have contributed significantly to the Chamber's growth and success. As he marks this milestone, the NCE looks forward to many more years of achievements and continued progress under his leadership.



Honoring 30 Years of Dedicated Service: Felicitation to Mr. Susantha Rupathunge

The NCE proudly honored Mr. Susantha Rupathunge, Senior Executive - Member Services, in recognition of his remarkable 30 years of dedicated and loyal service to the Chamber.



Since joining the NCE as an Office Assistant, Susantha has demonstrated unwavering commitment and integrity throughout his journey.



Over the past three decades, he has served under 14 past Presidents and witnessed the Chamber's steady growth and transformation into a leading private-sector organization representing Sri Lanka's exporters.



His steadfast dedication and the trust he has placed in the NCE as his second home have made him an invaluable member of the organization. His contribution to the Chamber's success and his enduring commitment to its mission continue to inspire colleagues and members alike.



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