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Editor's Note



Ashan Wickramasinghe, MILT

Dear Reader,

This publication starts a new volume for the LINK magazine. We hope to bring you more industry news and information as well as snippets from the multitude of events and programmes which are key features in the CILT calendar.

We would also like to bring to the notice of our most valued readership, from the next issue onwards we will be opening up advertising space in the magazine. We believe all advertisers would be able to reach the global marketplace using the LINK as a platform. Furthermore, we plan to bring in a new segment where job vacancies of our Corporate Partners will be listed with the aim of giving our members an opportunity to seek a career of their desire. Therefore, we urge our CPs and readers to use this opportunity for maximum benefit. Additionally, a limited number of the LINK would be made available on hard-copy format in order to broaden the circulation and make access easier. So, make sure you order your hard-copy soon!

We take to the skies in this edition as we focus on the aviation industry. Air transport gives economic development a significant boost worldwide. This wide economic benefit is being generated by increasing connections between cities - enabling the flow of goods, people, capital, technology and ideas.

Today, air transport is a vital component of trade, particularly in terms of driving the flow of manufactured goods across borders as well as stimulating trade through local and international tourism. The influence of airline activity is also a major factor in creating employment opportunities and its supply chain, and the jobs generated send ripples through the economy. As many of us are direct users or beneficiaries of air connectivity and its associated industry, we have endeavoured to highlight some of the latest developments in this industry, both at home and elsewhere.



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The Founding

The founding of the Chartered Institute of Transport in 1919 coincided with the beginning of modern transport as we know it. The First World War had clearly demonstrated the need for a co-ordinated transport system, and for such to exist a forum such as an Institute was needed to facilitate the exchange of information and ideas. By the early 20th Century, the leaders in various branches of transport felt the need to emulate the civil and mechanical engineers and others who had transformed their trades into professions. The idea of an Institute had got as far as 'unofficial soundings and inter-company discussions between younger railwaymen' when war was declared in 1914. It was not until after that great cataclysm was over that such ideas could be addressed again.



Paul Sainthouse (pictured) and Sir Peter Hendy announced the planned integration of CILT(UK) and CILT International

Despite initial doubts, Sir George Gibb, Chairman, the Government's new Road Board, responded to the original call of Henry Herman

Gordon, Traffic Engineer, London County Council, in Modern Transport for a transport institution, declaring on 31st May 1919 in that publication: 'There is a great deal of work of the highest practical value and importance, connected with transport which is not done by any existing organisation, and which requires for its doing, some sort of agency like an Institution.' He went on to outline his ideas for the purpose and objectives of such a body. A clear statement of the principles underlying the Institute's foundation appeared in November of that year: 'It is not an Institution merely to safeguard and promote interests of an industry or a professional class. The main object should, I think, be by collective and organised effort to widen the boundaries of knowledge in the sphere of transport . . . The most useful work of an Institute would be to organise and facilitate meetings for the reading of papers and discussion . . . An institution of transport, properly organised and equipped and adequately supported by all the interests that should be represented on it, would bring together, in the pursuit of a common purpose, large and diverse groups of individuals on whose co-operation and combined knowledge and enterprise any great developments must depend.' This was a fairly longwinded way of stating what became the mission of today's CILT, the home of logistics and transport professionals providing the networks, knowledge and knowhow to develop its members' careers and the profession. Once established, a committee worked fast to transform

the idea of an Institute of Transport into a firm reality. Public opinion was behind them; the columns of Modern Transport were filled with goodwill messages from many of the leading figures in the transport world. The first meeting of the provisional committee was held at Stanley headquarters, Electric Railway House, Westminster, on 24th November 1919. Here, the host, Sir Albert Stanley, reported that Sir Eric Geddes, Minister for Transport, had agreed to become the Institute's first President. Provisional arrangements were made and the Institute's offices were opened there on 1st January 1920, 15 months after Henry Herman Gordon's letter had been published in Modern Transport. At the first general meeting on 18th October 1920, the members already numbered 652.

The Membership rose rapidly from the original 440 foundation members to nearly 2,550 as of 30th September 1926



Richard Cawston believes that making the most of technology is dependent on recruiting the right talent



Strategic Planning Workshop for 2019/2020

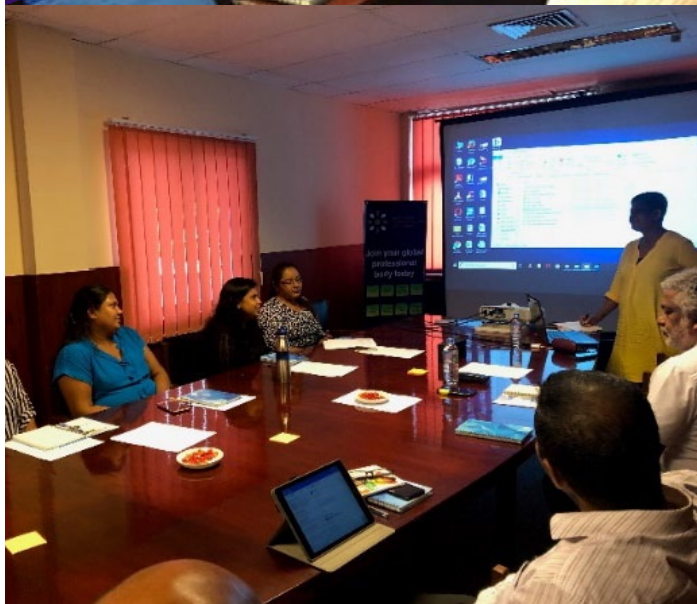
CILT conducted a strategic planning workshop on 4th May. Gayani de Alwis, Chairperson of CILT Sri Lanka, facilitated the workshop for the Council. 25 members participated at the workshop. The workshop started with the Chairperson sharing the 2018 performance and thanking the pillar leaders and their teams for delivering the plan with good results. She highlighted the need to raise the bar this year with greater results with more focussed activities with learning from past year's shortcomings. The members also were asked to do a SWOT and the feedback was taken in for the new year's strategic plan.





Secretariat Staff Training Workshop

A training workshop on “**Personal Effectiveness**” was conducted for the CILT Sri Lanka secretariat staff on the 29th of May. The session was conducted by Ms. T Kumarakulasingham. The Chairperson, Secretary and the Assistant Secretary of CILT SL also attended the programme as observers.





CILT AT KDU CAREER FAIR

CILT Sri Lanka participated at the KDU Career Day on 06th June, 2019. Dr. Namali Sirisoma, Dr. Mahinda Bandara were present at the event representing the CILT Council.





CILT meets with Nautical Institute Officials

Capt. Prof. Nalaka Jayakody (President), Capt. Nish Wijayakulathilaka (Secretary), Dr. Dan Malika Gunasekera (Official) and Capt. Nimal Perera (Official) of Nautical Institute visited CILT Sri Lanka on 5th June to explore collaborative opportunities between the two institutes. On the side of CILT SL, the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson (Membership), Sectional Committee Chairman (Maritime Sector) and the Secretary General took part in the discussions. Both parties showed their interest to conduct a joint research conference and conduct a panel discussion.



CILT Road show at Insee

Colombo on 28th May. Gayani De Alwis, Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Council Members Ibrahim Saleem and Chanaka Gunathilaka, and Vasantha Dias, Secretary General of CILT SL together with Dushmika Senanayake and Nathasha James participated at the event on behalf of CILT SL.





CILT Membership Drive at NSBM Logistics Day

CILT was an Associate Partner of the NSBM Logistics Day at their Green Campus in Homagama on 10th June. Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani de Alwis, was a panelist along with Malik Farook, Head of Fulfillment at Daraz, and Hasitha Samaraweera, Founder/MD of TWS Lanka.

CILT also conducted a membership drive at the NSBM campus, Homagama with the participation of Vasantha Dias, Secretary General and Dushmika Senanayake Membership Coordinator of CILT SL.



CILT Centenary International Convention in Manchester

CILT celebrated its centenary year in June 2019 and the Centenary Convention was held in Manchester, UK. The convention saw the participation of 11 delegates from CILT Sri Lanka: Gayani de Alwis, CILT Sri Lanka Chairperson; Chaminda Perera, Secretary; Gayathri Karunanayake, WiLAT Chairperson; Romesh David, IVP; Saliya Senanayake, Past Chairman; Niral Kadawatharachchi, Past Chairman; Upali de Zoysa, Council Member; and Sammy Akbar, Asitha Costa and Sanjeeva Weerasinghe.

Gayani De Alwis was invited to present the CILT SL success story on membership at the CILT International Convention, and the participants were inspired by success story. YPF Advisor and Secretary CILT Sri Lanka, Chaminda Perera, presented the South Asia update at the YP Convention.





CILT-CEEID Joint Discussion

CILT Sri Lanka and CEEID jointly organized a “Supply Chain Meet Up” which was held at the Light House Galley on 25th of June. More than 60 participants attended the event. The Chief Operating Officer of SAGT, Ted Muttiah, delivered the keynote speech on the topic: “Managing Tough Times through Proactive Business Planning.” This was followed by a panel discussion comprising of Ruwan Waidyaratne, Managing Director of Hayleys Advantis and Shehara de Silva, Director of Keels Foods. CILT Council Member, Ibrahim Saleem moderated the panel discussion.



Membership Drive at University College Rathmalana

CILT conducted a road show at University College on 26th June at their Rathmalana campus. CILT Sri Lanka Chairperson, Gayani de Alwis, Council Members HA Premaratne and Dr. Indika Sigera attended the road show together with the secretariat staff. CEO of University College Rathmalana, Wing Commander (Retd.) Malinda Wijenayake and two staff members attended the road show. More than 200 students were in attendance with about 50 students enrolling as Student Members at the event.



Workshop on AmCham Modern Workplace on Empowering the Female Workforce

Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani de Alwis was invited for the AmCham Modern Workplace on Empowering the Female Workforce workshop on 27th June at the Movenpick hotel. The Ambassador of the United States of America for Sri Lanka and Maldives, Alaina B. Teplitz, was the Keynote Speaker. She spoke about the five different unconscious biases that prevail in the workplace which are hindering females from joining the workforce.



Meeting with Oxfam

The team from Oxfam met with CILT Sri Lanka Chairperson on 11th July at the CILT office to discuss possible collaborative work on their campaign on bystander intervention in public transport to combat sexual harassment of women. This is a good initiative to promote awareness to make public transport safe and hassle free for women. CILT, through WiLAT, intends to collaborate with other women's organisations to support Oxfam's initiative to make public transport safe for women.



LINK Editorial Team Fellowship

Chairperson CILT and PR & Branding Sub Com Chairman met with the Editorial Committee of the LINK magazine on 12th July at Chocoholics to celebrate a successful LINK Vol. 2 and plan the way forward for the 3rd Vol.



Meeting with Prof. Ryoo

Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani De Alwis, met with Professor Ryoo at the CILT office on 10th July to discuss the establishment of CILT and WiLAT in South Korea. This is scheduled for September with the guidance of CILT International. At the request of the Chairperson, Prof. Ryoo agreed to offer an AMFUS Travel Scholarship to a CILT/YPF student member studying maritime or ocean studies.





Road show at Dart Global (Pvt) Ltd

CILT conducted a road show at Dart Global on 24th July. Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani de Alwis, Council Member HA Premaratne, CILT Member Cumar Rodrigo and CILT Membership Coordinator Dushmika Senanayake were present at the road show.



Land Transport Sectional Committee of CILT organised a field visit to Makumbura Multimodal Transport Centre (MMTC). Twenty-five participants attended the field visit.

CILT Field Visit to MMTC





LOGISTICS LEADERS' EVENING

CILT Sri Lanka successfully concluded its 2nd Logistic Leaders' Evening for 2019 on 26th July, at The Kingsbury, Colombo with the participation of over 180 members. The event was themed as "Business Intelligence in Logistics – Disruptor or Facilitator." Renowned industry leaders Nilanka Pieris of Gensoft (Pvt) Ltd, Damith Abeyathne of Unilever Sri Lanka and Danushka Jayasinghe of ITX 360 (Pvt) Ltd graced the occasion as guest speakers.

Accreditation certificates were awarded to University of Moratuwa for their BSc (Hons) degree in Transport and Logistics Management and General Sir John Kotelawala Defense University for their BSc and MBA degrees in Logistics Management.

At the event, DHL was inducted as a Bronze corporate partner of CILT SL and over 40 new individual members were awarded their membership certificates.





A Chat with DG/CEO of Civil Aviation

Mr. H.M.C. Nimalsiri is the Director General and Chief Executive Officer of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (CAASL) since 2002. He functioned as the Assistant Director (Operations) in the Department of Civil Aviation since 1987 and has been a pillar of strength in the CAASL. Mr. Nimalsiri is amongst a few officials who pioneered drafting the new legislative framework in civil aviation. He introduced institutional reforms in the former Department of Civil Aviation, which led to the formation of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka and the introduction of the Civil Aviation Bill.



Could you kindly give our readers a brief introduction about your background?

I am a Science graduate of the University of Colombo. I passed out in 1982. I joined the Aviation Department as an Assistant in 1987. After 15 years, in 2002 I was appointed as the Director General and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Civil Aviation Authority. Since then I have been carrying on, though with a 3 year of leave of absence to serve the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to run a regional safety oversight project. I also hold a Masters in Computer Science from the Colombo University and I have also obtained a Flight Operations Officer Licence after following a qualifying training course in Ulyanovsk, Russia.

What are the primary responsibilities of the office of the Director General of Civil Aviation?

The basic responsibility is to regulate the Civil Aviation Industry in Sri Lanka. Anyone engaging in civil aviation relies on safety, efficiency and regularity. Regularity means the level of regulation the government

does at the entry point. Mainly the government is responsible for the initial certification on entrance into aviation. They continue oversight over them to ensure that they continue similar conditions for certification. If there are any gaps during this oversight period, the government has to take measures to put it back on track.

Policy advice is also given to the government. Regulation on license of airlines, airports, aviation personnel engaged in safety sensitive areas is also performed. We also try to bring in regulation for the protection of consumers and main functions. The CAASL has performed well over the past years and there have not been any reports of recent accidents. We are glad to say that we have maintained a better level of safety than before.

What is the authority that governs the safety standards?

We benchmark ourselves with ICAO. There are 12,000 standards in relation to various spectrums. There are technical instructions in relation to 19 areas covering the whole of aviation. Each state is required to inform ICAO

on the measures which have been implemented under each standard. They maintain a compliance checklist and there were regular audits done by ICAO. Right now we are under continuous monitoring assessments. ICAO would usually call for additional information or do physical visits. We have a team of qualified inspectors who are specialized in initial certification and post-certificate surveillance.

Could you tell us a little bit about the main issues tackled by the Civil Aviation Authority?

In June, six experts from the ICAO visited Sri Lanka and assessed how we have done our safety oversight activities. They hold us responsible to the level of safety at the airport as well as the airline. In the last audit Sri Lanka became number one in South Asia and number four in the Asian region out of 34 countries. Only the Republic of Korea, Singapore, and Japan were ranked ahead of us. Sri Lanka was also ranked 19th in the world. For a small country, this is a big achievement and we are always trying our best to do better.

What would be the consequences if these audits were not favorable?

There are heavy and damaging consequences. There was a significant safety concern at the audit for Thai Airways held a few years ago in Thailand. ICAO shared that information amongst all countries. The European Union later declared that Thai Airways will be subjected to certain restrictions, such as no additional destinations, until the situation was improved. Since Thailand is a powerful country they managed to minimize the damage to some extent. Similarly, Nepal Airlines was not allowed to fly to USA/Europe because they were also found to be having a significant safety concerns.

What can you say about private aviation in Sri Lanka with the safety perspective we are having? What is your opinion on safety on that front?

There is no difference between International aviation and domestic aviation. All passengers are given equal importance. In that context, we insist that everyone should comply with our requirements. Sea planes are very much safer. Other

domestic carriers are also equally concerned. If we see a deviation, we take immediate action. We do all safety surveillance behind the screen. We come to the limelight only when things go wrong. Until then people do not even know the existence of CAASL. When it comes to Air Force operations, they also try to conform to civil aviation requirements to the best they can.

Our infrastructure in Sri Lanka makes it challenging to travel around. Is air a good option although it is expensive? Any views on how we could do things differently in the short run?

In order to promote upmarket tourism we need to have good facilities. People coming to Colombo will not waste time on roads that are risky and congested. But in order to reach the destination comfortably the only option is air transport. The problem is that we do not have a scheduled, dependable domestic carrier who operate services for the people. We have helicopters and aircraft which operate on charter basis. This does not help the development of air transport.

In order to operate a scheduled carrier

we have to bring reliable aircraft that have won the world's confidence. It should be operated by people who conform to civil requirements. The Air Force has been the major hurdle as they have been operating flights using their own pilots, own aircraft and the airspace is also controlled by aviation security. They are at a competitive position than the local people and only a few airfields are available for civil operations. Others are subjected to military intervention. Once you bring an expensive aircraft you have to have the ability of operating more flights giving more options for the passengers. The utility factor should be high because the investment is high.

Operating two or more flights a day will not bring in profits because pilots need to be paid high salaries. The competitor takes all the advantage at government cost. If domestic aviation is to be developed to cater to the requirement of tourist promotion, then the Air Force should not engage in civil flights and private operators should be encouraged to provide a professional service.

Civil aviation should be done by civil people to satisfy civil requirements. It is only then that tourists will start travelling. Investors will be confident to invest more by bringing down costs.





WiLAT

International Convention 2019

WiLAT Convention was held on 16th June at the Midlands Hotel in Manchester. WiLAT Global Steering committee meeting was held on 15th and at the meeting Global WiLAT Convener Aisha Ali Ibrahim stepped down from her role and Dr Dorothy Chan took over as the interim WiLAT Global Chairperson till June 2020. WiLAT SL Chairperson Gayathri Karunanayake was introduced at the meeting.





WiLAT Strategic Planning workshop

Women in Logistics and Transport (WiLAT) Sri Lanka, the women's forum of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Sri Lanka (CILTSL) held a strategic workshop on the 8th June 2019 at the Freightlink board room, for the purpose of drawing up the plan of WiLAT SL for the year 2019/2020. The workshop commenced with a short session on sharing awareness and knowledge conducted by renowned environmentalist, Dr. Ajantha Perera, to commemorate World Environment Day that is celebrated globally on 5th June, and the World Ocean Day that is celebrated on 8th June.

Dr. Ajantha shared her experience as an environmentalist and delivered her speech in an inspiring note which made the audience rethink about the valuable natural resources which are being consumed each day but often forgotten by humans, to be thankful and to preserve. It was stressed in her speech, the fact that humans should start to take responsibility for their actions and work towards reducing environmental pollution. Her presentation mainly focused on the theme of air pollution, following the theme of the World Environment Day 2019 – **"Beat the Air Pollution."**

It was highlighted that sustainability must be the underlying theme of all the operations carried out in the logistics and transport industry as well as the basis of any CILT or WiLAT strategy.



The Secretary of WiLAT SL, Amra Zareer, briefed Dr. Ajantha on CILT and WiLAT, including the activities in the past. CILT Chairperson and WiLAT Advisor, Gayani De Alwis, also briefed the forum on the purpose and objectives of the Strategic Planning Workshop.

WiLAT Chairperson Gayathri Karunanayaka identified the strategic teams for the upcoming year under main 3 pillars of Branding & Sponsorship, Membership Services, and Membership Development led by the Vice Chairpersons namely, Niroza Gazzali, Anomoa

Ransinghe and Maithree Attanayaka respectively.

The teams developed strategies separately after a rigorous brainstorming session and presented their action plans for the coming financial year. The Treasurer, Manjari Nigamuni, was assigned to prepare the budget taking into consideration the actions and events outlined.

The Workshop was concluded successfully with the teams pledging their support to take WiLAT to greater heights followed by networking and lunch.

World Environment Day 2019



Beat Air Pollution

#BeatAirPollution





"I AM CILT"

WiLAT SL Campaign



WiLAT SL together with CILT SL launched the "100 by 100" campaign to support the membership development to commemorate the Centenary Celebration of CILT International.





WiLAT

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Road Show at University of Sri Jayewardenepura

WiLAT SL held their first road show of the year on 17th July at Faculty of Management Studies & Commerce at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura. A target audience of over 60 comprising university lecturers and students participated in the event. Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani de Alwis, Senior Lecturer at University of Kelaniya, Dr. Renuka Herath, together with Maithree Attanayaka and Ramindu Liyanage attended the event.

Ms. D.M.E. Wedage, Head of Department of Decision Sciences and Ms. Gauri Prabhani, Lecturer at Faculty of Management Studies & Commerce in University of Sri Jayewardenepura organised the event on behalf of the university.

Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, in her welcome address mentioned that CILT is the only Chartered professional body in the country for professionals engaged in transport, logistics and supply chain and its main aim is to promote continuous professional education in the sector to uplift professionalism and create value to the economy. She further emphasised that CILT, WiLAT and YPF give a good platform for youngsters to develop their skills during their academic career, which would be an edge after graduation. Past Chairman of YPF, Ramindu Liyanage, took the students and audience through the journey he went through in industry together with the competitive advantage he gained through CILT.



Registration for the event



Chairperson of CILT, Gayani De Alwis addressing the gathering



Ramindu Liyanage, MILT speaking on his journey



Audience: Students and Lecturers of Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce, University of Sri Jayewardenepura



WiLAT Partners with WIM Top 50 Conference

WiLAT partnered with WIM Top 50 Women's Conference on 25th July at the Galle Face Hotel. Chairperson CILT Sri Lanka, Gayani de Alwis, was invited to moderate the panel discussion titled: "Fighting the System."



YPF NEXT 2019 - 2020

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The Young Professionals' Forum of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Sri Lanka (YPF Sri Lanka) is the country's leading youth movement that gathers together young professionals and students in the fields of logistics and transport. YPF is administered by a dedicated set of youth under the guidance of the Council of CILT Sri Lanka, and it is one of the fast growing youth forums within the global CILT fraternity.

The inaugural session of YPF Next 2019 was held on the 26 th of May 2019 at the South Asia Gateway Terminals (Pvt) Ltd., Port of Colombo, Sri Lanka. The newly elected core committee members of YPF gathered to plan the 2019/20 year of the Young Professionals' Forum Sri Lanka.

The interactive session kicked off with Mr. Dilshan Pasindu Weerasinghe introducing himself as the new Chairman to the core-committee of YPF 2019/20. The immediate past Chairman, Mr. Biman Hettiarachchi, also shared his thoughts on how he undertook projects with support of team members, the areas to primarily focus on when starting a task, the importance of meeting timelines and targets, and how to overcome challenges during the planning stages.

Mr. Chaminda Perera, the Ambassador of CILT YPF Sri Lanka, highlighted in his speech the need to take on the responsibility of developing soft skills in order to keep growing within the industry, and that as young professionals, YPF Sri Lanka would be on the best platform for such personal development.

The Chairperson of CILT, Mrs. Gayani De Alwis, graced the event and shared her experiences of working with CILT since its inception in Sri Lanka and she described the lineup of exciting events that are yet to take place for the year 2019/20.

The day's agenda was filled with team building activities, member familiarizing sessions, a lunch, and, finally, a brainstorming session that concluded successfully after fruitful discussions. The feedback from the members was enthusiastic and they were definitely geared up and looking forward to another fun filled session with YPF.





Latest from Sri Lankan Aviation Sector



Hashana Rrahubadda

Industry gradually recovering from Easter Sunday attacks

Just as any other local industry, the Sri Lankan aviation sector was hit hard by the Easter Sunday attacks due to the decline in tourist arrivals. In the aftermath of the attacks, 78 weekly inbound flights were cancelled, which led to over 300 flight cancellations per month amid booking cancellations and a slowdown in forward bookings. As reported by Aviation Voice, air connectivity with seven countries has been severely affected, namely China, Hong Kong, India, Malaysia, Oman, Russia, and Thailand. The sector is gradually recovering as the average daily tourist arrivals figures to the country improved to around 2,300-2,500 in June compared to 1,200 average daily tourist arrivals in May.

Government to cut down airfares to boost tourism?

Aviation sector stakeholders

and the Prime Minister, Ranil Wickremasinghe, held a high-level meeting in order to discuss the measures that can reduce the costly airfare structure at Bandaranaike International Airport (BIA). In June, Johanne Jayaratne, the Chairman of Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority, had expressed that the Government has given serious thought towards reducing ground handling charges by 30-40% after the Civil Aviation Authority submitted a request to the Ministry of Finance. Moreover, there is a possibility of reducing aviation fuel prices and the embarkation levy in order to bring down airfares at BIA further and give the tourism industry a much needed boost in its recovery.

Three regional airports to be developed with assistance from India

The Prime Minister and the Government had sought the assistance from Indian Satellite Air Navigation System (Gagan) during the visit of the Indian Prime Minister,

Narendra Modi, in order to develop three proposed regional airports – Palaly, Batticaloa and Ratmalana. Chairman, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) H.M.C Nimalsiri told the Sunday Times that the plan is to invest for the development of the 3 airports. According to Mr. Nimalsiri, the project will be initiated under 3 phases with the 1st phase scheduled to commence in July, this year. The runway of the Palali Airport to be expanded to 3,500 meters making it available for the operations of larger aircrafts such as A-320 and A-321. Palaly is expected to commence operations to India from August while the strategically located airport, when developed, will be capable of handling direct flights to other countries like, Australia, China, Japan, Middle-East and several European nations. An international Airport in the Jaffna peninsula is expected to boost the region's economy significantly. The development projects of Batticaloa and Ratmalana to start by the end of 2019 and 2020 respectively.



Mattala to be operated on a partnership basis with India

In June, the Prime Minister, Ranil Wickremasinghe, was reported revealing the future plans for the Mahinda Rajapaksa International Airport in Mattala, as he told that the government is planning to finalize the deal by the end of 2019 with the Sri Lankan Government keeping a 51% stake.

Latest Updates from the national carrier, Sri Lankan Airlines

As reported in the news site, themorning.lk, the national carrier, Sri Lankan Airlines, has decided to shift its head office to Katunayake from the World Trade Centre (WTC) in Colombo in order to cut operational costs. In early June,

Sri Lankan Airlines adjusted the scheduled service from Colombo to London Heathrow by cancelling the planned service increase for July and August, 2019.

Sri Lankan Airlines has also become the first customer in South Asia to sign a Letter of Intent (LoI) for the Skywise Health Monitoring (SHM) application from Airbus, reports Ada Derana. Once deployed, SHM will save time and decrease the cost of unscheduled maintenance for the airline. SHM will also support the airline in identifying, prioritising, analysing and handling in-service events. Skywise is accelerating digitalisation in aviation by providing players across the sectors with data and capabilities they need to make better decisions.

In June, lankabusinessonline.com reported that Fitch Ratings has assigned Sri Lankan Airlines Limited's (SLA) proposed issue of US dollar Government-guaranteed bonds an expected rating of 'B (EXP)'.

In other news

It is reported by themorning.lk that the Switzerland's Edelweiss Air and Poland's LOT Polish have formally communicated their intentions to operate flights to Colombo during the upcoming winter.

Accordingly, routesonline.com reported that Air India is expanding Delhi-Colombo flights, with the introduction of the new 2nd daily service from 15th July 2019. Operated by an A320, the new flight will operate overnight hours. Reservations for AI283/284 service has already opened.

The Lufthansa Group, as reported by aviationvoice.lk, announced the appointment of United Ventures Limited as its new General Sales Agent (GSA) for Lufthansa, Austrian Airlines and Brussels Airlines in Sri Lanka.



EFL marks entry into S&P Sri Lanka Index 20

Expolanka Holdings PLC, which posted a turnover of Rs. 77,533 million in 2017/18, registering a revenue growth of 22.1% year-on-year, entered the S&P Sri Lanka Index 20 at the Colombo Stock Exchange. It was a result of key focus of the group to increase volumes in Air Freight and Ocean freight products across all lanes.

SGH Holding awards EFL

Transformative Robotic Process Automation (RPA) project presented by a Management team from Expo Lanka Freight (EFL) was awarded with 'Outstanding Performance Award' at the recently completed Global Innovation Competition. This was awarded by the parent company of EFL, SGH Holdings Japan, and EFL won the award under the category of 'Work Style Reforms'.



Ten-year celebration of Lanka Shipping and Logistics (LSL)

Lanka Shipping Limited (LSL) which was founded by local pioneer in shipping trade, Saliya Senanayake, celebrates its 10 years of success in the industry in 2020. It is the only 100% Sri Lankan company to work with foreign navies and operates in freight forwarding, logistics and ship agency segments.

SLIIT wins quality award from Asia Pacific Quality Network (APQN)

Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT) received Best/Model Internal QA award from Asia Pacific Quality network in honour of its commitment to quality assurance mechanisms, quality culture and promoting quality and excellence in higher education. This marked a milestone for SLIIT as it affirms its commitment towards ensuring the quality of the education provided by the Institution to its students.



PickMe partners with Indra Group of Companies

Leading technology driven mobility solution company PickMe entered into a corporate partnership with leading motor vehicles company, Indra Group, expanding its pool of corporate partners. They can use mobility solutions of PickMe such as automated log sheet enabled route map generation system and travel history recorder.

New warehouse in Muthurajawela by Logicare Pvt Ltd

Logicare Pvt Ltd opened their newly built state of the art warehouse facility in Muthurajawela. It is 60,000 sq. ft. with 12,000 pallet position and is 15m high.





Impact of Late MAX 737 Deliveries

Late MAX deliveries will add to 2020 European Overcapacity
Aviation Daily



Bernstein Research warns that late deliveries of Boeing 737 MAXs to European airlines will make an already imbalanced supply and demand equation worse for European airlines and sees only limited benefit for the sector of two possible major bankruptcies. "The flood of planes is in full swing in Europe as narrow-body deliveries are set to reach record highs in 2020."



Attractive UAM markets could develop in 50 large megacities and megaregions around the world, says KPMG. Credit: Istock, DLOCOPTER, KAREm, BELL, AIRBUS A3

Would "Urban Air Mobility" (UAM) ever be a transportation option for the masses? Consultant KPMG thinks not, but it does believe UAM could be an attractive premium market for business travelers – if the price is right. Infrastructure financier Nexa Capital Partners says some of the world's largest cities already have the facilities in place to enable that market.

UAM: Getting the Price Right

Aviation Week & Space Technology

"We looked at mass-transit infrastructure, and living and working patterns, and identified where congestion makes high-value routes slow on the ground and which could open up attractive premium options," says Tom Mayor, KPMG's industrial manufacturing strategy leader. Examples include Manhattan to the New York-area airports and London's Canary Wharf to Heathrow and Gatwick airports.

Tom Mayor does not believe UAM will be an option for mass public transportation. "The fundamental physics says it will never be the cheapest option, because the motors are fighting gravity and not rolling along the ground," he says. And for a premium market, the key factors are speed, frequency of service and price relative to black cars and rail services.

FAA Issuing Waivers for Parachute-Equipped Drones

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The FAA has issued multiple waivers allowing operators to fly parachute-equipped drones over people, flights that are normally prohibited because of the risk of injuring bystanders. The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) on June 25 announced that it has received a four-year waiver to fly DJI Mavic 2-series quadcopters fitted with the ParaZero SafeAir parachute system over people.



ParaZero Drone Safety Systems

Jet Operators Invest in Sustainable Fuel Ahead of EBACE

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Operators are opting to go eco-friendly ahead of this year's EBACE event in Geneva by investing in Avfuel's sustainable alternative jet fuel (SAJF).

Operators flying to EBACE-dedicated destinations from Sheltair at Farmingdale Airport (KFRG) will be able to fuel with SAJF from May 16-18 for a more sustainable transatlantic flight. To date, Avfuel has received

commitments from high-profile OEMs to fuel up and fly over to Europe using the product prior to departure, with committed companies including Bombardier, Embraer and Textron.

In order to supply the product, Avfuel acquired a concentrated delivery of SAJF from Gevo Inc and blended it with petroleum-based jet fuel. This mixture was then tested for fuel quality and to ensure it met

ASTM D1655 standards.

The difference is this product has a net benefit to the environment across its lifecycle. For every one million gallons of the concentrated SAJF that is produced, approximately 20 million pounds of animal feed and protein is sold into the food chain. The final jet fuel product burns cleaner, reducing carbon emissions released into the atmosphere.



Credit: Volocopter

Opinion: It Is Time to Get Real On UAM

Aviation Week & Space Technology

As mobility options continue to expand around the world, we are beginning to see the rise of autonomous mobility in cities like Singapore, Phoenix and Las Vegas. With this will come increased mobility access and travel convenience for urban populations. Our models project a more than 1-trillion-mi. increase in vehicle miles in the U.S. alone over the next 20 years. All of this is occurring in a world where congestion permeates many of our largest cities. Average commute time in many metropolises is

already 60 min., and the average rush-hour travel speed in the core of cities like London is under 3 mph.

This market will depend on reliably and safely delivering "speed at a not-too-premium price," versus black cars or premium rail services. Initially, UAM transportation will likely target high-density business-travel routes in order to deliver the "speed" promise to a somewhat less price-sensitive customer set. As such, the core of UAM enplanement forecasts represents high-frequency airport shuttle services similar to

New York Airways' operations in the 1960s and '70s.

The call to our industry is clear. There is a societal need to address congestion and wasted travel time in our largest cities, and that creates a compelling market for UAM. Dozens of players are beginning to demonstrate eVTOL technology that appears poised to offer viably safe and quiet means to perform the intracity UAM mission.

Member Achievements

- ★ **Anoma Ranasinghe CMILT**, was recently certified as a Transformative Coach by the International Coach Federation.



- ★ **Randika Jayasinghe CMILT**, was promoted as Manager (Logistics) of Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (Pvt) Ltd.

- ★ **Kasun Aravinda MILT**, was promoted as MRP Supervisor at Almrai Company.

- ★ **Surandika Rupasinghe MILT**, was promoted as Manager (Distribution) at Spectra Logistics (Pvt) Ltd.

- ★ **Roshan Sawahir CMILT**, was promoted as Head of Supply Chain (Group) at Global Logistics Services LLC - Riyadh KSA.

- ★ **Ahamed Ur Rahman CMILT**, was promoted as the Chief Operating Officer, Head of Marketing and Sales at DHL Global Forwarding Lanka Pvt Ltd.

- ★ **Dr. S. P. W. Jayasiriwardene CMILT**, was appointed as Board Director of the National Transport Commission.

- ★ **Ricky Barnett CMILT**, appointed to the Board of Hayleys Energy Services Lanka (Pvt) Ltd as Director.

- ★ **M. D. A. Asoka Kumara CMILT**, was promoted as Deputy Manager (Stores) at Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Limited.



- ★ **Prashani Chathurangika MILT**, was promoted as Manager at Ace Distriparks (Pvt) Ltd.

- ★ **Dilshan Weerasinghe MILT**, joined Department of Sri Lanka Customs as Assistant Superintendent of Customs.





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Capt. Lasitha Cumaratunga
Committee of Management/ Director
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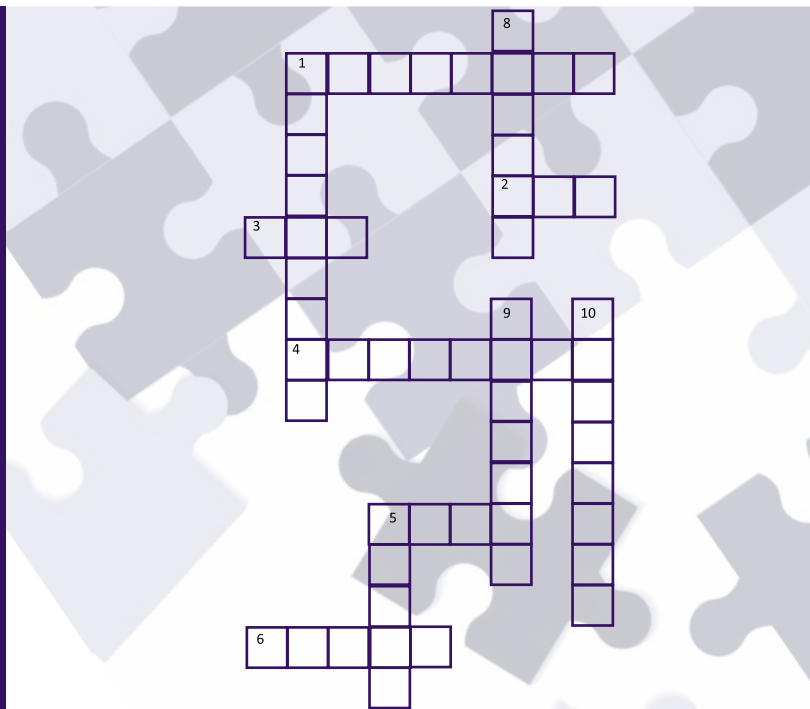
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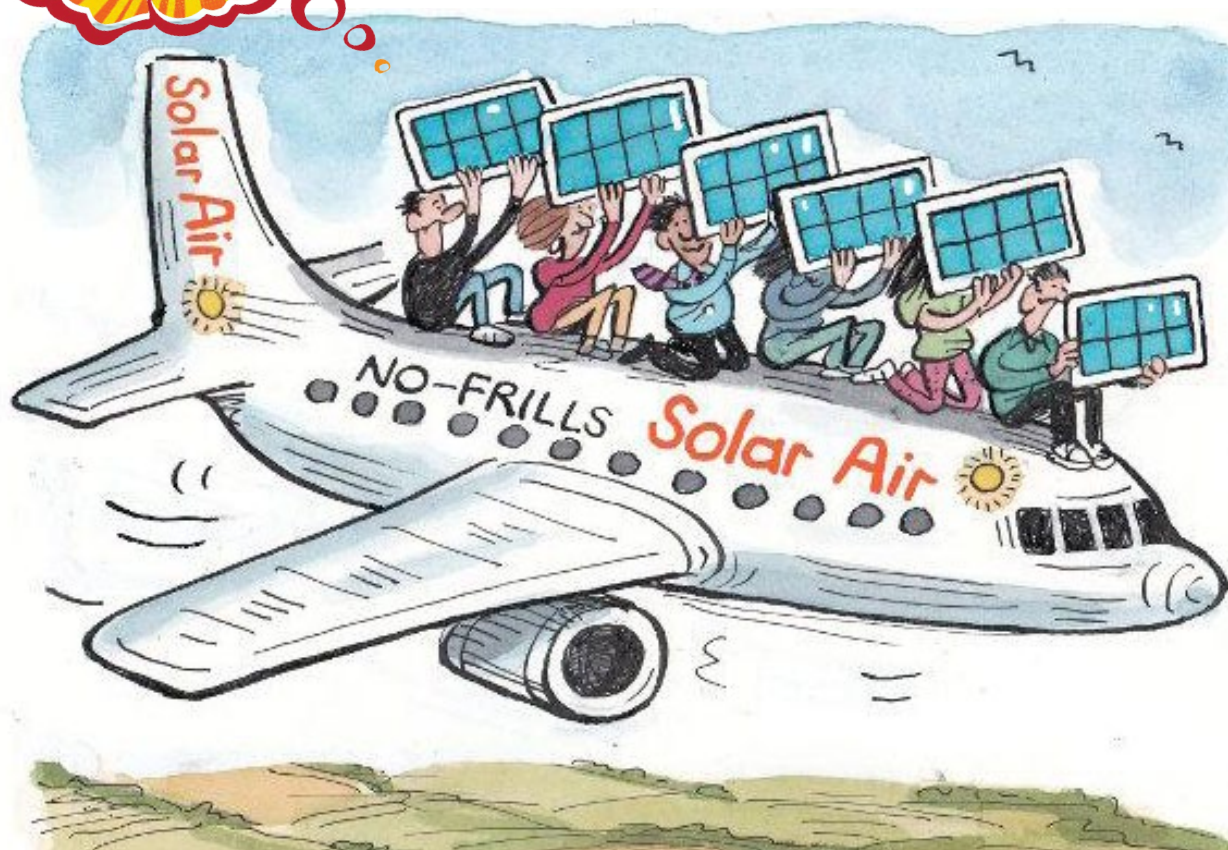
01. The air deflected perpendicular to the direction of movement of an airfoil
02. Emergency Locator Transmitter
03. The measure of a flight's passenger carrying capacity
04. The right of an airline of one country/territory to carry domestic traffic within the territory of another carrier.
05. The control wheel of an aircraft, akin to an automobile steering wheel
06. Passengers denied booking due to capacity restrictions



Down

01. Descending flight with engine and propeller stopped.
02. The convex or concave curvature of an airfoil
03. A long, usually over-night, stop between flights usually involving a change of flight number and/or aircraft.
04. The difference in angular settings [Angles of Attack] of the wings of a biplane or multiplane.
05. Airline term for revenue per unit, eg: revenue per mile per passenger.

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