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De afgelopen zomerperiode hebben zich twee vervelende gebeurtenissen voorgedaan. Die betroffen Tharindu en Shermain, die APEKSHA fondsen - bij elkaar meer dan 1.000 euro - oneigenlijk hebben gebruikt. Van Tharindu wist ik het voordat ik in maart 2017 terugkwam naar Nederland. Ik maakte er toen geen melding van in het reisverslag, omdat ik er vertrouwen in had dat we samen een aanvaardbare regeling konden treffen. Maar in de zomerperiode die volgde bleek communicatie met hem niet mogelijk. Een van de eerste zaken die ik dan ook wilde regelen bij mijn terugkomst in Sri Lanka in oktober, was deze kwestie. Een paar maal trof ik niemand thuis bij Tharindu, maar uiteindelijk slaagde ik er in beide ouders toch te ontmoeten. Zijn moeder begon onmiddellijk met een geweldige tirade; hij had hen met meerdere schulden opgezadeld en ze hadden geen contact meer met hem. En dat allemaal in het Singalees! Daarmee is vooralsnog het APEKSHA- boek voor Tharindu gesloten. Begin 2018 merkte Chamika - via Facebook - dat Tharindu zich in Dubai bevindt. Het is niet duidelijk wat hij daar doet en er is verder ook geen contact meer geweest.

Van Shermain kreeg ik begin mei 2017 een e-mail met daarin een aantal opmerkelijke bekentenissen. Zij bleek in 2015 in het geheim getrouwd te zijn en was september 2016 zwanger geraakt. De relatie met haar man was mede hierdoor zeer verslechterd. Tot dat moment had zij alles - ook voor haar familie - verborgen gehouden. Aangezien haar man geen vast inkomen heeft en ondertussen ook aan de drank en drugs was geraakt, waren haar financiële problemen zodanig dat ook zij APEKSHA gelden voor andere doeleinden heeft gebruikt. Zij is begin juli 2017 bevallen, met haar is nog steeds contact, ze heeft bijvoorbeeld deelgenomen aan de tweedaagse APEKSHA trip, begin 2018. Haar toekomstperspectief is niet rooskleurig. Geen opleiding, een kind, geen werk en een man zonder verantwoordelijkheidsgevoel. Niet alleen een onverwachte, maar ook bijzonder trieste ontwikkeling.

Positievare zaken: de APEKSHA tweedaagse

Tot nu toe heb ik ieder jaar een APEKSHA-dag georganiseerd, vooral om de groepsvorming te bevorderen. Over de resultaten ben ik erg tevreden. Vorig jaar kwam de vraag of we niet een keer een tweedaagse trip konden maken. Ik heb daar positief op gereageerd, maar wel als voorwaarde gesteld dat ze die trip dan zelf moesten organiseren.

En dat is gelukt. Weliswaar met een beperkte groep vanwege allerlei omstandigheden, maar toch! Van zaterdagochtend 19 februari 01:00 tot de zondagavond 22:00 heb ik minstens 45 uur (aaneengesloten) met het groepje doorgebracht en ik heb genoten. Het is geweldig om te zien (en te horen) hoe ze met elkaar omgaan; aan één stuk door praten, lachen en elkaar voor de gek houden.

Iets om trots op te zijn en het is voor herhaling vatbaar. Om een indruk te krijgen van de tweedaagse is er een trailer op de APEKSHA-website te zien, gemaakt door Insaf. Vlak voor mijn vertrek naar Nederland hebben we nog een laatste gezamenlijke bijeenkomst gehad. Daar is de tweedaagse trip uiteraard aan de orde geweest en iedereen heeft de foto's kunnen bekijken. Hopelijk zal dat degenen die niet meegingen stimuleren om de volgende keer ook mee te gaan.

Nieuwe APEKSHAantjes

Door de plotselinge ziekte van een broer van Rihama die in Koeweit werkt, kwam de financiering en dus de continuering van de opleiding van Rijas, een jonger broertje van Rihama (die toegelaten was op een goed aangeschreven islamitische internaat) in het gedrang. In heel schuchtere bewoordingen heeft zij gevraagd of APEKSHA financieel kon bijspringen. Ik heb haar vraag aan het bestuur voorgelegd en daarbij opgemerkt dat als we dit zouden doen het ook betekent dat diezelfde faciliteit aan de jongere broers en zussen van de overige APEKSHA-pupillen gegeven zou moeten worden. Een financiële raming laat zien dat - bij continuering van de huidige donaties - dit mogelijk moet zijn. Vooralsnog heeft het bestuur daarom besloten om deze regeling voor twee jaar te laten gelden. Elk jaar zal opnieuw worden gekeken of de regeling gecontinueerd kan worden. Een belangrijk voordeel van deze beslissing is dat een aantal pupillen nu kan worden voorbereid om mijn taak over te nemen. Ik heb het hier al vaak met ze over gehad en nu zou dat gerealiseerd kunnen worden.

Dit zijn de nieuwe APEKSHAantjes:

- Dimitri	12 jaar	grade 7	zus van Dilki
- Farha	12 jaar	grade 7	zus van Hajara
- Azeez	12 jaar	grade 7	broer van Insaf
- Munsifa	19 jaar	grade 13	zus van Insaf
- Chathu	7 jaar	grade 3	broer van Irushan
- Nimanthika	17 jaar	grade 11	zus van Iresha
- Rijas	12 jaar	grade 7	broer van Rihama
- Rifla	12 jaar	grade 7	zus van Rihama
- Rimsa	17 jaar	grade 11	zus van Rihama

Verslag van de pupillen

Ik heb alle APEKSHA-pupillen gevraagd om in dit reisverslag eens iets (over zichzelf) te vertellen. Dat heeft een mooi resultaat opgeleverd, zoals u hieronder kunt lezen. Ik moet toegeven dat ik een aantal dagen naast mijn schoenen heb gelopen vanwege alle

lof die ze me in hun bijdragen toezwaaiden. Maar wees gerust, ik sta weer met beide voeten op de grond.

Dilki, Hajara en Irushan hebben in augustus (weer) hun A/L examen gedaan. Hajara en Irushan zijn geslaagd, Dilki heeft opnieuw het examen niet gehaald. Chamika is zonder meer een van de winnaars van de APEKSHA-groep. Hij doet het bijzonder goed op de Sri Jayawardenapura Universiteit in Colombo. Zijn jaargroep bestaat uit twintig jongens en dat wordt een hechte groep.

Learning Portfolio by M.G.Chamika Chamara

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Now I'm a student of Department of Information Technology of University of Sri Jayewardenepura. Up to this time I have passed 21 year of my life .I have worked hard to come this position and I have made lot of dedications for that. I am going to present story of my life from now. I may start like this.....

First of all I would like you to introduce to you my hometown. The Galle district is an ancient city, situated in the Southern province and covers a land area of 1652 square km. It is bounded to the south and wet by the Indian Ocean, in the north Beanthara river and in the east by Mathara and Rathnapura districts. The district includes lot of beaches such as Unawatuna and Hikkaduwa. There is a small village which is located about 2.3 km from Galle Town. Few years ago which was a very rural area, but at present which is developed than previous. Around 60 families are living in this small village peacefully, my family is one out of that families and which has 6 members.

I was born on 10th January 1997 in the Mahamodara General Hospital. Up to grade 13, I studied at G/Sudarshi Maha Vidyalaya. I was able to get 3As for the Advance Level examination and only I could enter the University from my school. So that I was able to enter into University of Sri Jayewardenepura. In this time period I have got lot of academic and non-academic achievements in this school. Every year I had got best result

for my exam and was became first of the class. I have done so many extra curriculum activities in addition to academic activities. I was a perfect and president of commerce association of school. As well as I am good for Dancing.

In these times I had lot of friends. My best friend Kavindu is still my best friend. I spent that time very enjoyable manner and freely without any stress. I and my family members was spent our life very simply and all of us went to visit some places or neighbour's house in our free days. In this kind of situation I faced my Ordinary level exam well in 2012 and passed it with good result. I got 8 A s, 1 B for my O/L examination.

It was the best result of school and I was the only one student who got A s for Maths, Science, History and Agriculture. Most of my friends and relatives told me to select the Science stream for A/L, nevertheless I chose commerce because I am very interested in Accounting. When my A/L results were released, I knew that I had taken the best decision for my academic life. My results were 03 A s and I became the 183rd in Galle district. My parents were really happy on that day and blessed me for a successful life.

I would like to introduce my family as a world of my life. In every step of my life they always stand behind me. My hero is none other than my father. My father's name is Laional Gamage and he is a Labourer. My queen's or else my mother's name is Susila Dhanayaka and she is a housewife. I have a sister and two brothers.

Meanwhile I'm following Chartered Examinations to get the affiliation with CA Sri Lanka as a professional course. Up to now I have completed the Executive Level of Chartered Examinations. I wish to complete the other levels of Chartered Examinations as well. When I talk about my hobbies, I have several of them that provide me with leisure and something of value. Reading books is my basic hobby because books make me happy all the time. In any situation I can read books whether it is a happy situation or a bad one. I like to read novels. And also I spend my free time by listening to the songs.

When I go back to my story; at the moment I am reading for my BSc Business Information System (Special) Degree at University of Sri Jayewardenepura. I believe that coming to a university for further education is a pivotal point in a person's life, because now I'm experiencing a life that should be enjoyed by all. In my perspective, every human being who lives on this planet should try to embrace the university life, irrespective of age, believes, social statuses etc. University education is extremely important for us to be confident with what we have learnt and to enhance our skills and capabilities.

What I did in 2017

In 1st week of 2017, I entered the University. I cannot forget that day. There was an orientation program for us. That included a sport meet, a talent show and a Guest lecture series. That was an unforgettable week. I met so many friends who are form many areas of country. And also I started my boarding life. In my room there were 3 roommates and they all are form Kandy and Kurunagala. My sister is also staying near our boarding house. It is happy and convenience for me. After the 1st week in university, rag was started. As the result of that all boys must wear shirts, trousers and shoes and girls must wear long skirts and blouses. 1st day of ragging, our seniors gave information

about our university and they teach us about the sub culture of university and responsibilities of university students. They tried to build-up our relationships as a family. That time was remarkable time. In April we celebrated our Sinhala and Hindu New Year at university. It was organized by our seniors. That was named as " *kokila udanaya*". We wear *saram* and shirts. We played our some traditional games. In 1st time I saw the Hindu traditional customs and ate many Hindu traditional foods. After that we got our New Year vacation and study leave for our exams. In May, I faced my 1st semester exam and I did my best. After the exam I got 3 week vacation. Last week of June, our 1st year 2nd semester was started. There was a special day for our batch. That was fresher's out. After that day, they did not rag us and we could wear any cloth to the university. That was like a small freedom for us. That day we were very happy. Then, there was a dancing competition that organized by the department of marketing of university. That was named as 'Mini Vibes'. There were 9 dancing groups from our batch and also I was a member of B4 team. Our dance is based on a Hindu historical story. We did our best in the competition and won runner-up place. That was the 1st opportunity for me to show my talent in university.

However I did my academic activities in best. I did many presentations, dramas and also prepared some reports. Some were team activities and some were individual activities. I am happy to mention my team members because that was a one of the best team I worked still in my university life. During those boring academic days, our seniors organized the social night for us. That was an amazing function. We wore formal dresses. We took many photos. It was a fond memory for me. My friends showed their talents on the stage and also I got a chance for represent my talent as a dancer. After few weeks, we got study leave for our end semester examination. I brushed up our knowledge by discussing together. I think study together is the best way to improve our knowledge. After exams I got vacation and we started it by going a trip to Kandy. That was a remarkable day of my life. Then I came back to the Galle and went to my school to see my teachers.

In November our 2nd year started. Then I joined to the AIESIC club of university. AIESIC gave a project for us. That was INZPIRE 9.0. I was a member of that project and I had some responsibilities about organize some events, some financial things. There were 6 foreign university students with us. Three of them came from India, two of them came from New Zealand and one came from Hong Kong. Our project object was developing entrepreneurs. We interviewed many entrepreneurs and collect information about their lives. We prepared a good report based on that information. We did some school sessions about entrepreneurship. This project was not only for knowledge sharing. And also I got many fond memories from that project. We went trips. We went to dinners. Our 1st trip was to Galle. That was organized by me. We went to jungle beach and Galle fort. I could to give some knowledge about Galle for foreign friends. Our 2nd trip was to climb the *Sri Padma Mountain* and worship Buddha's foot print. That was the last trip and last activity that I did in 2017. 2017 was the one of the best years I had. Thank you all who been with me.

There are special persons I have to mention. They are Mr. Henny and the Apeksha Foundation. The main problem of university student is having not enough money to spend for their education. But I think I am very lucky. Because Mr. Henny and Apeksha Foundation are always with me and they try to fulfil my financial needs and also Mr, Henny always try to motivate and create good attitudes in our life. And also Henny shared his university, carrier and family life experience with us and gave good solutions for our problems. He organized discussion meetings and that are the most interesting meetings and knowledge sharing meetings. We discussed many topics regarding to world problems, personal problems, political issues etc. I think the aim of organized discussion meetings was improve our knowledge and our relationships. In university, some students ended their education journey because of financial problems. But I did not face that situation because I have believed on Henny and Apeksha Foundation. They helped me to all the time. Since 2008, they are with me. I like to take this opportunity to say thank you for their helps. And also I do not forget these helps because they are the main reason for my success.

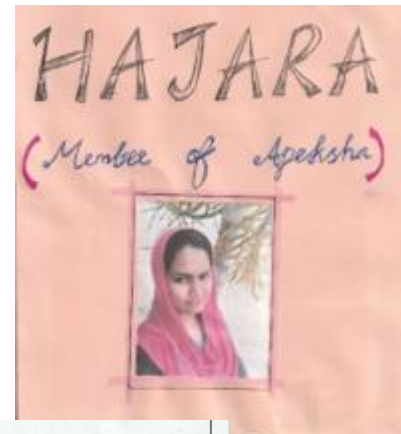
I started 2018 by going trip with my project members. 1st day we went to visit Sigiriya that is the world 8th wonder. In that day we were proud about our ancient peoples because we could proudly talk about our country with our foreign friends. After that we went a safari in Minneriya National park and watch wild animal's behaviours. That was an unforgettable memory for me. Then we went to Trincomali to worship the Hindu kovil named Munneshwaram. After that we went to Anuradhapura and worshiped Buddhist temples. My start of year was very enjoyable. As usually, I went to lectures, did presentations. These days I am studying to face our 1st semester end examinations. I hope my future works will succeed as I wish. And also I think Apeksha foundation will be with me.....

I'm **Dilki Manohari**. Now I'm doing a National Certificate of Secretary Practise (NCSP) training course at College of Technology Galle. It is a 1 year course. One day I can be a secretary, stenographer, typist etc. and I hope to doing 3rd time A/L exam in arts subject. My younger sister is Dinithi Manohari. She is clever in studies, last year she is 2nd, 3rd and 1st place in the class. My brother is Dilshan Madushanka. He is a mechanic in a garment factory.



Dilki heeft zich inmiddels ingeschreven bij het College of Technology en volgt daar een voltijdse Secretary Course. Die bevalt haar erg goed. Ze wil ook nog graag vervolgcursussen kunnen doen.

Hajara volgt nu een Engelse cursus aan de NIBM met het laatste examen eind november 2018. In haar vrije tijd heeft zij een aantal klassen van jonge kinderen (negen in totaal) die zij gratis bijles geeft.



About Me

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About My family

I am the ^{elder} ~~youngest~~ one in my family. My father was passed away in 2008 due to train accident and my mother was passed away due to cancer. I have a only one sister. She is study in grade 07. She is studying very well. She always becomes 1st place in her class every term. Now we are look after by our mother's sister. She has two sons and one daughter.



My sister,
M.R.F FARHA.

My mother and me.

My mother's sister and her daughter.



So I thought carefully and decided that the best job I could do was teaching. The duty of teachers in a school is to teach children from 8.00 a.m to 2.00 p.m. For the rest of the day I can look at my home and my sister's education. Therefore my future ambition is to be an English Teacher for this, I am now learning one year Diploma in English course and four-month certificate course in Computer science at the National Institute Business Management. After attending an English teacher training course, my future will be to become to English Teacher in a School.

The Tuition class in our home during the evening for students I'm free to classify seven kids. I think this the intention of the 'Apeksha.'



Mr. Henry and Apeksha Board help us to do all these things from childhood. Because we are with Apeksha we are pursuing further education. If you are not with us I have been out of school for a long time.



Henny is with us as a family member. One of the best people, I have seen is Mr. Henny. He is always giving us instructions like our father. He always thinks about our future. He is really the greatest man.

I will continue to look forward to Apeksha and I thank all of you for this help. Finally, I thank the 'Apeksha' and wish you God the strength needed to keep these good things in the future.

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I'm Hajara.

Hajara

Hasna heeft eerst een Engelse cursus gedaan en had toen plannen om lerares aan een lagere school te worden. Hajara haalde haar over om eerst toch nog een Engelse cursus aan de NIBM te doen. Onlangs heb ik ook een gesprek gehad met Hasna's oudere broer Fasmi en vertelde hem wat de doelstelling van APEKSHA is en ik heb hem ook het grote belang van verdere ontwikkeling uitgelegd. Hasna is een van de drie moslima's en het was lang onduidelijk of er instemming was over haar verdere ontwikkeling. Die onzekerheid is nu de wereld uit. Samen doen Hajara en Hasna ook een IT-course aan de NIBM tot en met eind mei 2018.



I am Fathima Hasna. I am 22 year old. I studied at G/Usuathun Hasana Maha vidyalaya. I have 03 brothers and one sister. 2 brothers were married. When I was 4 years old I lost my mother. Then my Father was remarried. My big mother one who raised me, my sister and my brother. another 2 brothers were already married. My big mother is very loving and brought us up, and She did not make any shortfall. He raised me up to 18. And then for some reason I've come to my elder brother's home. His family is very kind to me.

When I was in Grade 08, Henny helped to my education. He choosed 03 students from our school. me, Hajara and Rihama. That aid continues until today. Really that aid was very helpful for my study. So, I went to extra classes, and developed my knowledge. I am very thankful to Apeksha members who helped to my studies. Specially to Henny. Henny is very kind person. He is like good friend with us. By the helpe of Henny, I finished my all school studies. In 2012 I wrote the Ordinary Level exam. My o/L Result is:

Tamil - B	science - B
Islam - A	Tamil litrige - A
I.C.T - S	Sinhala - A
History - C	Maths - C
English - C	

After that I wrote my Advance Level exam in 2015 August. My Advance Level result is,

Geography - S

Tamil - C

Islam - C

That results were not enough for me to go to university. after that I did not do anything, I was at home. But, Henny, He taught me to study more and he emphasized the importance of education to me. Then I went to college of Education to do course. I went there for 4 months. After. I stopped that course because of my personal problems. Then Henny talked to me and asked me to do something else. In 2017 I did the English course for 04 months at IDM.

I like to be a good teacher. I am trying to do that. In 2017 September I went to do diploma in primary Teacher Training course. I went there for only one week. Because, Hajara said to me, NIBM has 1 year course (Diploma In English). If we doing that course, we would get a good chance to be a teacher. thats why I stopped Diploma In Teacher Training course. so, me and Hajara went to NIBM to study diploma in English course. That class will take place 9.00 am to 4.00pm once a week. me and Hajara went there together. after we went NIBM Many new friends wer introduced

I like my English course very much. we continue that English ~~is~~ course until today. It will be finished in November of this year. In the mean time me and Hajara doing certificate in computer science course in NIBM. After completion of this courses we will try to work in a international school as a teacher.

If I come to a better position in the future. I will definitely help student who are not able to continue their studies.

Really, your helped to our education is enormous. we are grateful to all of Apeksha Team members.



Imasha is nog steeds heel gelukkig met haar baan bij het LightHouse hotel (medewerkster front office). In mei volgend jaar krijgt zij naar verwachting een vaste aanstelling. Ik heb haar wel gevraagd om met haar chef te overleggen aan welke onderwerpen zij meer aandacht moet besteden.

I am Imasha Dhananjani. I am 21 years old now. I'm working at Jetwing Lighthouse Hotel as a Guest Relation Officer.

My school is Paramananda College Galle. When I studied there, I met mr. Henny in school. When I met mr. Henny I was a little girl. But now I'm working and mr. Henny find my job and he help me to do this job.

Mr. Henny organized many trips for our enjoy. Some of they are Kanneliya trip and Nuwara Eliya trip etc. we enjoy very much from that trip. Among that trip my most attractive trip is Nuwara Eliya trip. All of us enjoy much by that trip. Mr. Henny protect us as a father. He gave us our favourite food also comfortable place to stay. We take many photograph. I attached some of that photograph.

Apeksha is a very good society club. They help us to improve our knowledge. Also it helps us how to work with the team and work friendly. Actually I'm happy to say that as a member of Apeksha society. It is a very good society club ever meet in my life.

And I'm very glad that I am a member of Apeksha. I'm very thankful to mr. Henny to joined me to the Apeksha.

Insaf doet later in 2018 waarschijnlijk zijn laatste examen. Daarna zal hij als trainee een baan gaan zoeken in Galle (waarschijnlijk bij een telecombedrijf). Inmiddels is hij ook druk doende met een eigen bedrijf.

I'm Insaf. 21 years old. Have a sister. I am more of an Introvert/Extrovert kind a person. I love to travel, more like, I love to take beautiful pictures and edit them. One of the biggest dreams of my life next to the family, which is a long list, is to own one of the best camera gears and travel the world. Nothing is impossible. Well, some are, but mostly anything is possible. I have a good sense in taking pictures but haven't used the correct gears. I have a good to-do-list, hope everything goes according to it. That's it. That's me.

I studied in G/Sudharma College, did my Ordinary Levels in English Medium. Got 7As and became the first in the whole school from my batch. Then I got an Admission for one of the most well-known schools in Sri Lanka which is Richmond College. Did my Advanced Levels from Mathematics Stream. But didn't go through it well. I didn't try to do the Exam again to get the admission for University.

I got to know a place where they teach Cisco Network Engineering. Since it was very affordable, I participated the Course program. I already did three exams and became the first in the class. As of 2018, January 31st, there are two more exams to do. Most probably exams will be over within 2018 February. While I was learning Cisco, I did a job training for six months. In order to be successful in this networking field, a person should complete the reverse network engineering and MS Server Administration. I did the MS Server Administration and passed it too.

The competition for jobs in the Networking fields are very high and the jobs are very limited. So everyone who is doing the Networking has to do at least a two plus years of internship to get a good job. The salary of a networker solely depends on experience. Due to my family financial situations I cannot afford to work for like 24 months with a



salary like 5,000 to 10,000 LKR per month. I will get into an internship as soon as I can afford with such a low income.

Since after Ordinary Levels I have spent a lot of time on researching about Freelancing and other works that I can do at home and get paid. It's been 5 years since Ordinary Levels, right now I am capable of creating, designing and building my own website, without any help. I have averagely mastered the Adobe Lightroom and Adobe Photoshop. I can edit professional videos. I can manage SEO¹ and I am good at Photography too. When considering these things and my sound knowledge of Internet, I thought of doing the E-Money² and I have a very positive idea about this. And if this worked and it will, I may be able to continue the internship and taking some of the expensive exams out there. And I already learned Administration and Networking which is a vital thing when it comes to Internet. I hope everything will work out just fine.



Iresha heeft uiteindelijk besloten om te stoppen met werken en een voltijdse cursus te gaan doen. Dit doet zij nu aan de Vocational Training Authority een cursus 'information and communication technology technician – level4" gedurende 6 maanden, gevolgd door een praktijktraining van nog eens zes maanden. Met de mogelijkheid ook nog level 5,6 en 7 te doen. We zullen zien!

I am the lucky girl Iresha in this world I was thinking about me. Because I have a very nice family next to my real family. It is called Apeksha. I am one of the members in the Apeksha Family. Apeksha group previously we didn't know the each other's and I didn't know what is Apeksha. But day after days I will find what is Apeksha and what is the goal of Apeksha. And now I know Apeksha is always hoping and looking for our success. Apeksha is always looking our hospitability and helping each other's. There was a one man his name is Henny Bouman. Just like our father. I always respect him and loving him. Because he is always looking us. Pushing us to improve our talents. Always helping us and he works always as our father . Now I'm a student at the Vocational Training Authority. And study the Information and Communication Technology. I want

¹ SEO search engine optimisation - SEO means the way of how to get the traffic from different search engine sites like, Google.com, Yahoo.com, Bing.com to my websites.

² E-Money goes in many ways. What I am most interested in, is making an affiliate network by using a Website as Primary traffic source. I will make contact with popular internet based selling websites like, Amazon, iTunes and Ebay and create an affiliate partnership. Whenever someone goes to those websites though my websites and purchase a product I will get a commission. This is what I am intend and currently trying to do or achieve.

to get certificate. Because doing the good job, professional job. I want the encourage doing the course. I know APEKSHA is given me encourage always. I'm interested to study computer technology.

I am thankful our APEKSHA Group.

Irushan heeft geprobeerd toegelaten te worden bij het German Technical College in Moratuwa (bij Colombo) maar is daarin niet geslaagd. Hij heeft zich vervolgens opgegeven bij het Japan Technical Institute (het Automobile Engineering Training Institute - ook bij Colombo) en heeft begin maart te horen gekregen dat hij daar is toegelaten. Tot eind februari 2018 heeft hij gewerkt bij een telecombedrijf.

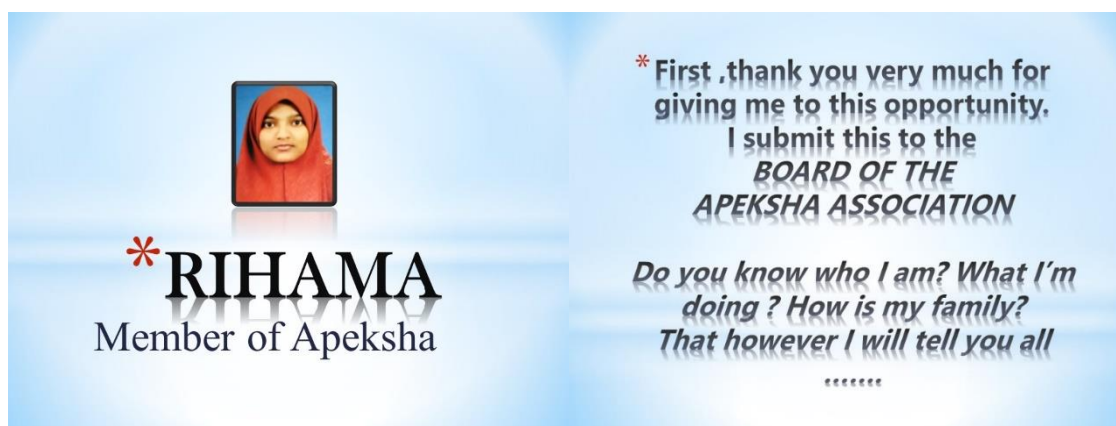


I joined APEKSHA in 2008. At that stage I was in grade 6 and I was a very little boy. So I didn't have a good idea what I wanted to do in the future. But after I had done my O/L exam in 2013 I wanted to choose for a technical direction. So I choose for the Engineering Technology Stream. I wrote the A/L exam in 2016 and 2017; both exams I have done my level best. Now I want to become a technician. So I applied for the Automobile Engineering Training Institute and the University of Vocational Technology. I'm now awaiting their reply.

APEKSHA has been a big help for my studies. I can't express it differently. I like to say 'thank you very much' to APEKSHA, including Mr. Henny Bouman and all others.

Thank you. **Irushan**, 2 February 2018

Rihama rondt midden januari 2018 haar eerste jaar van de opleiding Accountant Assistant Technician af. Ze heeft inmiddels besloten de Business Management opleiding aan de NIBM te gaan doen. Een goede keuze.



*First , I tell you about me . I am Rihama . I am 20 years old now. I'm very kind and innocent girl. Making creative things, reading books and papers, teach to others are my leisure time activities....



*MY HAND WORKS....

*I start my education in **Yashoodara Pre – School**. I have shown my many talents since childhood. They are Singing , Dancing , Acting and etc....



With my Pre school teacher
– S.D Banjini



My whole pre school friends

*After that I studied G/ Uswathun Hasana M.V. Its gave good study to me. I finished my school education and after that I did association of accounting technicians (AAT), continued English course at the same time. I also finished AAT on end of January. And now I'm doing business management course at

*NIBM..

*MY NEW FRIENDS



*I have been interested in education since childhood. As well as I also interested in teaching others what I learned. So I create a free tuition class for the poor children like me on Sundays. Its very pleasure to me. Similarly, I have to do many more services for education and I also focus on the education of my brother and sisters. I will continue to do it in my future and I will continue my education until I get a good job.

*After that I tell about my family. Its very short and cute. There are parents , 2 sisters ,2 brothers and me. We are not in a high level. We are in a normal level in society.



*Dad is Riyal. He is now 53 years old. He is work at DSI (private company) as a labor. He is got Rs.20000 a month. Dad has stopped his education in ten years old because they had economical problems.



*Mom is Maraliya. She is very kind heart person. She is 54 years old and a good house wife. Mom has stopped her education after o/l.



*My elder brother is Rikas. He is now 25 years old. He completed his school education after that he was abroad. He was working a supermarket in there. But he is not well now. Still he get a treatment in hospital , Kuwait.



*My sister is Rimsa. She is now 16 Years old. She is attended O/L exam in last year. Now she is go religion classes. It's like a A/L.



*My younger sister is Rifla. She is now 12 Years old. She is in grade 7th She is continue her education properly.

*My younger brother is Rijas. He is also 12 years old. He is studied in national school , Thalapitiya.

Both are twins...

* I think that's enough about me. Next I need to say about **Apeksha**. This association very useful for many children who don't have access to study like me. I still remember the first meeting of the Apeksha. I joined this ten years ago. There were more members in this association at that time.



*The journey I started in sixth is still going on. I am so glad that you have joined me in this association. If you didn't help my education I had stopped schooling.

*Some years ago you couldn't help our education for a year because of something. At that time we were in difficult condition.



*Once a week, the apeksha meetings are very useful. Various matters are speaking at that meeting. There are "Equality – Inequality", "Communication", "Sex – education", "Co-operative", "Future plans" and etc. Me and other members are very willing to attend these meetings.



*As well as the Apeksha day is very enjoyable day for us. Last Apeksha day was a 2 day tour. But I missed it because some reason.



*And also to say about Apeksha and now I want to say about **Henny**. He is a very kind person. He is like our father. He give ideas to us. Sometimes he give his opinion for our future decisions. We are grateful to henny who give us this kind of help. Thank you very much henny for this help.



*Me and my family always pray for Apeksha members. Its very appreciated that you help with our education....

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Upeksha is het enige lid van APEKSHA die weinig voortgang laat zien. Zij heeft inmiddels een vriend die het eigenlijk niet goed vindt dat zij gaat werken. En Upeksha schijnt het daar mee eens te zijn. En daarmee stopt de verdere ontwikkeling waarschijnlijk voor haar.



I am Upeksha Sammani,

I am 20 years old. I stopped schooling. I read my hobby books, paintings, watch TV, read newspapers. In addition, I will retrain what I learned in the computer course. I'm a quiet character. Everyone likes it when others talk. I like to help others.

I have a boyfriend now. His name is Aruna Vishwajith. I am thinking of getting married to him in the future. Last year, I showed him to you. Aruna is a very good boy. I know he is suitable for me. My parents gave it permission. I don't like doing a job. I'm still planning my future. I will tell you beforehand. You helped me a lot. Thank you very much. You are God. You are very kind. More and more of your happiness...I am wish you. Always be happy. I always respect you very much. God bless you.
