

WITNESS

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We are the Leo Club of Kolonnawa — a family of young leaders, dreamers, and doers bound by one purpose: to serve with heart and to grow through service. Rooted in tradition yet reaching for tomorrow, we believe that leadership is not just about titles, but about the courage to act, the creativity to inspire, and the compassion to uplift others.

Witness is our voice. It is where our footsteps turn into words, where every project and every effort finds its story. From the traditions we cherish to the innovations we embrace, we are shaping a legacy that is uniquely ours — proud, resilient, and ever-evolving.

Together with the guidance of the Lions Club of Kolonnawa and the strength of our members, we continue to learn, to lead, and to leave behind something greater than ourselves.

This is who we are. This is our journey. This is Witness.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Leos, Lions, and fellow readers,

As we stand at the close of another year and look ahead with hope toward 2026, I extend my warmest wishes to each and every one of you — for a new year filled with purpose, growth, and opportunities to serve with even greater impact. It brings me great joy and pride to share a few words with you as we release the second edition of Witness for this Leoistic year. Witness has always been more than just a newsletter — it's a space that captures our stories, our laughter, our challenges, and the countless moments that define who we are as Leos of Kolonnawa.

Looking back at the past few months, I'm genuinely inspired by how far we've come. From small ideas that turned into meaningful projects, to the way our members have supported each other through every step — it's been a journey that reflects true teamwork and passion. Each of you has played a part in shaping this story, proving once again that when we come together with purpose, there's nothing we can't achieve.

What makes the Leo Club of Kolonnawa special isn't just the number of projects we do — it's the heart behind them. It's the late-night planning sessions, the laughter shared during service, and the moments where we push each other to become better leaders and better people. That spirit of unity and commitment is what continues to define us, and I'm incredibly grateful to lead a team that embodies it so beautifully.

As we prepare to step into a new year, I hope we carry this same energy forward — to serve with compassion, lead with confidence, and inspire those around us through our actions. Every project, no matter how big or small, has the power to leave an impact — and I know that as we move toward 2026, we'll continue to make that difference together.



With Leo pride and heartfelt gratitude,,

| Leo Dylén Wolff

Club President 2025-2026

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear Leos, Lions, and fellow readers,

As we approach the close of this Leoistic year and look ahead with anticipation toward the year to come, it's a pleasure to share this message as we present the second edition of Witness. As both the Secretary and Editor-in-Chief, I've had the privilege of witnessing our club's journey from two unique perspectives — one of organization and leadership, and the other of storytelling and creativity.

Putting together this edition has been a rewarding experience. Behind every page lies the dedication, teamwork, and enthusiasm of our members, who continue to inspire through their service and passion. From planning projects to capturing their impact, each step reminds me how much the Leo Club of Kolonnawa has grown — not just in numbers, but in unity, vision, and heart.

Witness has always been more than a newsletter; it's a mirror of our Leo spirit. It tells the stories that deserve to be remembered — the laughter shared, the lessons learned, and the milestones achieved. As we move forward into a new year, I hope this edition encourages every reader to see the value in what we do and the difference we make together.

To our fellow Leos — thank you for your unwavering support, creativity, and drive. And to our readers and Lions who continue to guide and uplift us — your encouragement means the world. Together, as we step into the year ahead, we continue to build a legacy that roars with pride, purpose, and passion.



With gratitude and Leo spirit,,

| Leo Sanidi Rovinya

Secretary & Editor-in-Chief 2025-2026

INSIGHTS

CLUB ADVISOR LEO CLUB OF KOLONNAWA

Dear Leos of Kolonnawa,

As we approach the close of this year and look ahead with hope and anticipation toward 2026, it is a great pleasure to write this message for the Witness newsletter. Having been part of the Leo Club of Kolonnawa's journey for many years, I have seen how far you have come — growing from a small group of passionate youth into one of the most active and inspiring clubs in our district. Your dedication, teamwork, and commitment to service truly reflect the true spirit of Leoism.

What makes Kolonnawa Leos special is not just the number of projects you complete, but the unity, creativity, and sincerity behind every effort. You have proven that service is not about recognition, but about impact — about reaching those in need and uplifting your community with compassion and purpose. That is what true leadership looks like.

I deeply admire the way you continue to take on challenges with courage and enthusiasm, always finding new ways to make a difference. You are not only building projects, but shaping future leaders who serve with heart and humility.

To all Leos beyond Kolonnawa — as we prepare to step into a new year, remember that Leoism is more than service; it is a way of life. Keep serving with sincerity, lead with compassion, and uplift one another. Together, we can make this movement stronger than ever as we move into 2026.

Well done, Leos. Keep moving forward with confidence and pride.

| Lion Jayasiri Andaraweera

Leo club Advisor 2025/2026
Leo Club of Kolonnawa

CLUB PRESIDENT LIONS CLUB OF KOLONNAWA

As we approach the close of this year and reflect on the journey behind us while looking ahead with hope, it is indeed a pleasure to write this message for the Leo Witness newsletter as the President of the Lions Club of Kolonnawa. Serving as the mother club to such an energetic and forward-thinking group of Leos is both an honor and a source of great pride.

The Lions Club of Kolonnawa has always believed that true service begins with compassion and teamwork. As part of Lions Clubs International, our mission is to create meaningful change in the lives of others while inspiring the next generation to lead with purpose and integrity.

The Leo Club of Kolonnawa has continuously proven that young people can make a lasting difference when guided by the values of Lionism. Their dedication, creativity, and

enthusiasm remind us that leadership is not defined by age, but by action and heart.

As Leos, you are preparing for a greater journey — one that builds your leadership, confidence, and sense of service. As you move toward a new year, this experience will continue to shape not only your character, but also your future as leaders, professionals, and eventual Lions who will carry the movement forward.

The bond between Lions, Leo Lions, and Leos is one of mentorship, friendship, and shared service. Together, we form a family that learns, grows, and serves side by side — continuing the proud legacy of Lionism through every project and every act of kindness, now and in the years to come.



| Lion Deepani Gallage

President 2025/2026

Lions Club of Kolonnawa

Q&A

FROM LEO TO LION A JOURNEY OF PURPOSE AND LEGACY

Edited and condensed by Leo Sanidi Rovinya

**“LEADERSHIP
DOESN'T RETIRE
IT EVOLVES.”**

16 YEARS OF LEO SERVICE 2006–2017

1 Global Honor:
Leo of the World

4 Major Leadership Roles:
From Club President to Cabinet
Secretary

Countless Lives Touched:
Proof that true leadership never
ends

2006/2007 –
Club President
Leo Club of Kolonnawa

2009/2010 –
District President
Leo 306 C1

2010/2011 –
Named Leo of the World

2017/2018 –
Charter President
Lions Club of Gothatuwa

2022/2023 –
District Chairman for Leos

2024/2025 –
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

2025/2026 –
Cabinet Secretary
Lions District 306 D6

Today, we look at a remarkable Leo who turned his passion for service into a lifelong legacy. From a small club in Kolonnawa to representing Sri Lankan Leos on the global stage, **PDP PCP Lion Dhanushka Sandanayaka MAF** has redefined what it means to lead with purpose. We sat down with him to talk about his journey from his early Leo days to his leadership in Lions District 306 D6.

Sanidi Rovinya: Where did it all begin for you?

Lion Dhanushka Sandanayake: It all started with the Leo Club of Kolonnawa. Back then, I just wanted to make a difference. In 2006/2007, I became Club President, and that experience shaped everything that followed. It taught me that leadership is really about empowering others.

SR: What motivated you to keep serving after your Leo years?

DS: Service becomes part of who you are. During my 16 years as a Leo, I held various roles in Leo District 306 C1 and Leo Multiple District 306, culminating in my term as District President (2009/2010). Even after my Leo journey, I knew I wasn't done — the purpose had just evolved.

SR: You've received some impressive recognitions along the way. Which stand out most?

DS: I've always valued recognition as a reflection of collective effort. Being named Best Council Officer and Most Popular Leo of the Year (2008/2009) were special. But the most defining moment was in 2010/2011, when I was honored as Leo of the World by Lions Clubs International that was a proud moment not just for me, but for all Sri Lankan Leos.

LEGACY

SR: How was your transition from Leo to Lion?

DS: In 2017, I chartered the Lions Club of Gothatuwa New Century Leo, the first Leo-Lions Club in District 306 C1. It was about creating continuity showing that Leoism doesn't end; it transforms. That club became a bridge for many past Leos to continue serving through Lions.

SR: What roles have you taken on within Lions since then?

DS: I've had the privilege to serve as District Chairman for Leos (2022/2023), Deputy Cabinet Secretary (2024/2025), and now as Cabinet Secretary of District 306 D6 (2025/2026). Each role has deepened my belief that leadership is service, not status.

SR: Tell us a bit about your professional side — how does it connect to your service?

DS: I'm the CEO and Director of Dhanushka Engineering Co. (Pvt) Ltd, specializing in petroleum storage solutions. My background in Business Information Technology and MBA from Staffordshire University (UK) helps me bring structure and innovation into everything I do — whether it's running a company or leading a service initiative.

SR: Finally, what message would you give to today's Leos?

DS: Never see Leoism as a phase — see it as a foundation. Every project, every meeting, every challenge builds who you are. Leadership doesn't retire; it evolves. Once a Leo, always a Leo.


PDP Lion Dhanushka Sandanayaka MJF MAF

Cabinet Secretary, Lions District 306 D6
CEO, Dhanushka Engineering Co. (Pvt) Ltd
"Leadership is service, not status."

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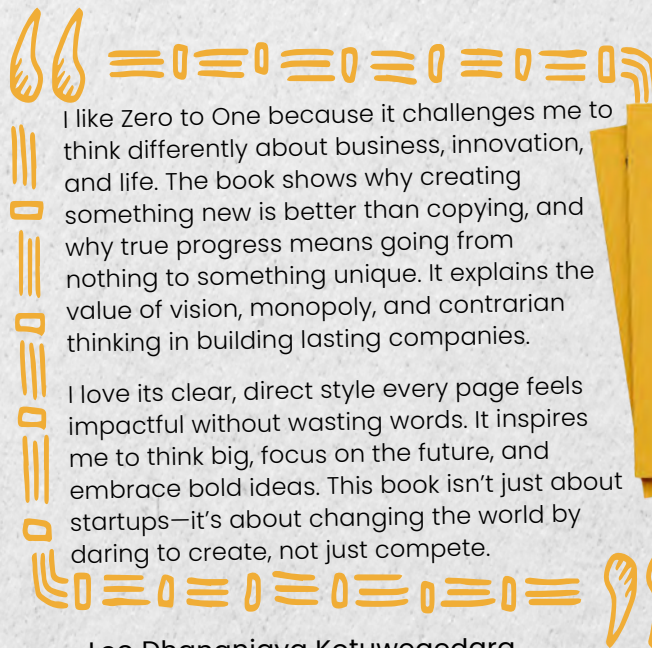
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A project close to our hearts.

In celebration of World Literacy Day, we shared our favorite books and the stories that inspired us the most.

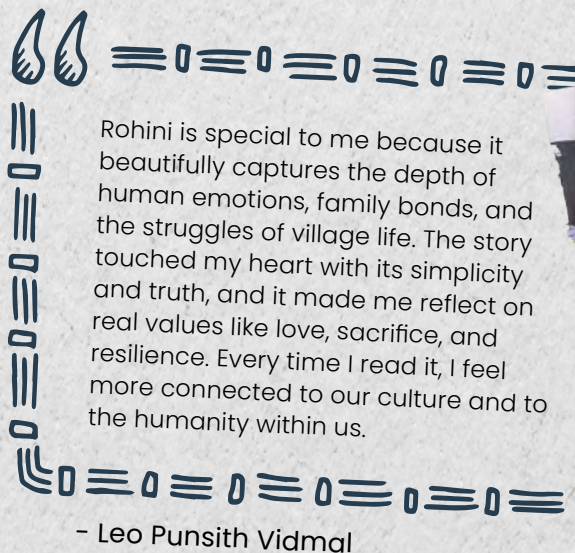
Through Piduma, we wanted to remind everyone that reading isn't just about pages and words it's about growth, imagination, and discovering who we are.



I like Zero to One because it challenges me to think differently about business, innovation, and life. The book shows why creating something new is better than copying, and why true progress means going from nothing to something unique. It explains the value of vision, monopoly, and contrarian thinking in building lasting companies.

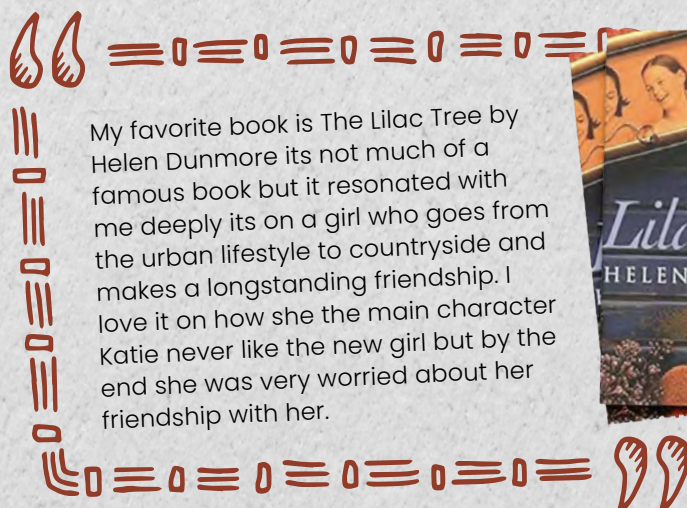
I love its clear, direct style every page feels impactful without wasting words. It inspires me to think big, focus on the future, and embrace bold ideas. This book isn't just about startups—it's about changing the world by daring to create, not just compete.

- Leo Dhananjaya Kotuwegebara



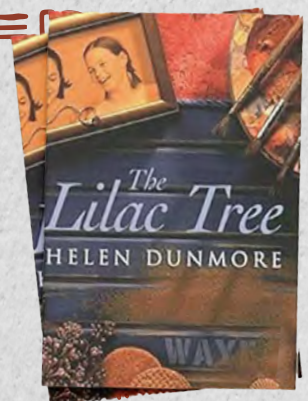
Rohini is special to me because it beautifully captures the depth of human emotions, family bonds, and the struggles of village life. The story touched my heart with its simplicity and truth, and it made me reflect on real values like love, sacrifice, and resilience. Every time I read it, I feel more connected to our culture and to the humanity within us.

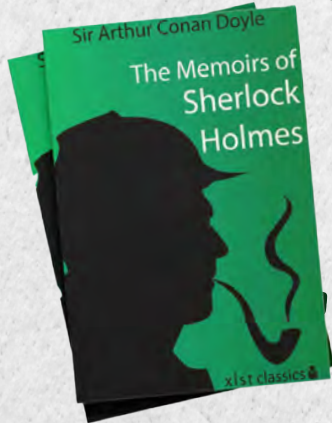
- Leo Punsith Vidmal



My favorite book is The Lilac Tree by Helen Dunmore its not much of a famous book but it resonated with me deeply its on a girl who goes from the urban lifestyle to countryside and makes a longstanding friendship. I love it on how she the main character Katie never like the new girl but by the end she was very worried about her friendship with her.

- Mariyam Shafeek





My favorite book series is Sherlock Holmes because I enjoy the clever mysteries, Sherlock's brilliance, and the suspenseful stories.

- Mariyam Shafeek



Harry Potter will always be special to me. I just love this story the magic, the friendships, and the courage it teaches stay with you long after the last page

- Leo Ojitha Gamage

The Princess Diaries 1 by Meg Cabot - This is the very first novel I ever read, which makes it unforgettable. The story of Mia discovering her true identity as a princess inspired me to see reading as an adventure full of surprises. I love how it mixes humor, everyday struggles and the idea that we all have hidden strengths waiting to shine. It opened the door to my love for novels and will always remain close to my heart.



- Leo Prabashi Liyanage

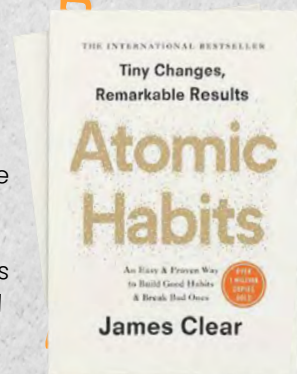


This book is special to me because it demonstrates the value of kindness, generosity, and patience. Through A Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens examines the potential for transformation. Personally, Scrooge transforms from a cruel and depressed person to a giving and compassionate one. His choice to change demonstrates to the reader that people are capable of acting more empathetically towards one another.



- Leo Rusith de costa

The book Atomic Habits by James Clear explains how small daily actions can create big changes over time. It teaches that success comes from improving just a little each day, focusing on building systems instead of chasing goals. Clear introduces the four laws of behavior change: make habits obvious, attractive, easy, and satisfying. He also emphasizes that lasting change happens when habits become part of your identity and when you shape your environment to support them. In short, small habits, done consistently, can transform your life.



- Leo Prabashi Liyanage



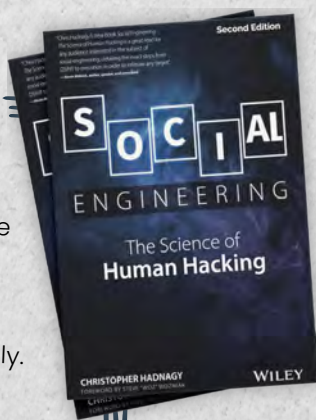
I used to love reading it over and over in my childhood, and it still feels very special to me.

- Leo Subhani Embuldeniya



This is a touching and eye-opening story told from a horse's perspective. I loved how it showed kindness, cruelty, and the bond between humans and animals through simple, heartfelt storytelling.

- Leo Sanidi Rovinya



An insightful book that reveals how psychology and manipulation shape cybersecurity. It changed how I view human behavior, trust, and persuasion — blending real-world stories with practical lessons perfectly.

- Leo Dylen Wolff



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A Morning of Light and Purpose

When I stepped into **Samudradevi Balika Vidyalaya, Ambathale** that morning, the air was alive — the sound of chairs being moved, laughter spilling through the hall, and a quiet anticipation that something meaningful was about to unfold.

Project Arunodaya, jointly organized by the **Lions Club of Kolonnawa** and the **Leo Club of Kolonnawa**, was more than just a school program. It was a journey of discovery — a chance to awaken confidence, purpose, and leadership within the young students who filled the hall that day.

"HAVE A CLEAR TARGET, MAKE YOUR PLAN, STICK WITH IT, AND FINISH WHAT YOU START. SUCCESS IS NOT ONLY ABOUT BEGINNING THE JOURNEY IT'S ABOUT SEEING IT THROUGH WITH DETERMINATION."

Her message was a powerful reminder that every achievement begins with a vision. She encouraged the students to believe in themselves, stay disciplined even when challenges arise, and never lose sight of their goals. With focus and perseverance, dreams can always be turned into reality.

"EVERY LEADER HAS A DIFFERENT JOURNEY AND A DIFFERENT STRENGTH. LEADERSHIP IS NOT ABOUT COPYING OTHERS IT'S ABOUT DISCOVERING YOUR OWN PATH."

He inspired the students to see leadership not as a title, but as a personal journey. By embracing their individuality, building confidence in their own style, and respecting the uniqueness of others, each student was reminded that they have the potential to lead in their own way and make a difference.

RASHMI NIMESHA GUNAWARDANA
MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER AND SINGER

LION SAMITH MAPALAGAMA FDI PMJF MAF JP
LIONS DISTRICT CABINET TREASURER



Over 200 students, from Grades 8 to 13, took their seats with wide eyes and shy smiles. What began as curiosity soon turned into excitement as the sessions began – each one bringing its own kind of light.

Between sessions, we – the Leos – moved among the students, helping, chatting, listening. Their questions were simple yet sincere. “Do you ever get scared before you speak in front of people?” one asked. I smiled and told her the truth: always. But courage isn’t about being unafraid – it’s about showing up anyway.

By the end of the day, the hall didn’t just feel full – it felt changed. Something had shifted.

Arunodaya, meaning “the dawn,” truly lived up to its name. It was the beginning of something bright – for the students who learned, and for us who served.



That morning reminded us of what makes this movement so strong. The **Lions Club** is the backbone providing strength, structure, and direction. The Leos are the muscles bringing energy, drive, and motion.

And the **projects we do together** they are the skin the world sees: the living proof of what unity, compassion, and purpose can create.

Narrated through the voice of :

| Leo Sneha Induwara

FRIGHTMARE 2.0

WHAT IF WE DID SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT?

Some projects begin with meetings and minutes. Frightmare Fest began with masks, makeup, and the simple question.

On the 1st of November, as the sun dipped and the Club House in Battaramulla slowly transformed, we stepped into a night that felt unfamiliar in the best possible way. Frightmare Fest 2.0 wasn't the kind of event Sri Lanka is used to celebrating — and that was exactly what made it special.

Organized by the Leo Organizer headed by the Leo Club of Colombo Centennial, together with the Leo Club of Kolonnawa and other Leo clubs of Leo District D6, Frightmare Fest was a joint Leo project that blended fundraising and fellowship into one unforgettable evening.

It wasn't just about being spooky for the sake of it. It was about bringing Leos together, raising funds for future service projects, and reminding ourselves that service can also be fun, creative, and a little terrifying.



From the morning itself, the energy felt different. There was an excitement in the air — not rushed, not pressured — just that quiet buzz of knowing something unusual was coming together. By evening, that buzz had turned into glowing eyes, eerie costumes, laughter echoing down corridors, and Leos greeting each other as monsters, villains, and characters you'd never expect to see at a Leo event.

What struck me most was how naturally everyone leaned into it. Costumes weren't an afterthought — they were the heart of the night. Familiar faces became unrecognizable. Conversations started with laughter, confusion, and the occasional jump scare. It didn't feel staged or forced. It felt free.

The turnout was just right — a cozy full house. Not crowded, not empty. Enough people to fill the space with energy, music, and movement, but still intimate enough that you could recognize faces, share moments, and feel connected. It was one of those nights where you didn't feel lost in a crowd — you felt part of it.

Beyond the spooky lights and creative chaos, Frightmare Fest served a deeper purpose. It strengthened bonds across clubs in the district, opened space for collaboration, and helped build a foundation for future projects through fundraising. More than that, it showed us that Leo fellowship doesn't have to look the same every time. It can evolve. It can experiment. It can surprise.

Narrated through the voice of :
Leo Kavindu Gayan







FRIGHTMARE 2.0

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PROJEKT KONFIDENTIAL

WHEN SOCIAL MEDIA BECOMES THE TRUTH:

How Ads, Jobs, and Algorithms Are Pulling Sri Lankans Into Scams

Today, social media is no longer just a place to connect with friends or share family photos. For many Sri Lankans, it has quietly **become something far more powerful — a source of news, a source of education, and, for some, the primary source of truth.** Parents scroll through Facebook to understand what is happening in the country.

Grandparents watch **TikTok videos** believing they are learning something useful. Young adults rely on **Instagram reels** and WhatsApp forwards to make decisions about work, money, and opportunity.

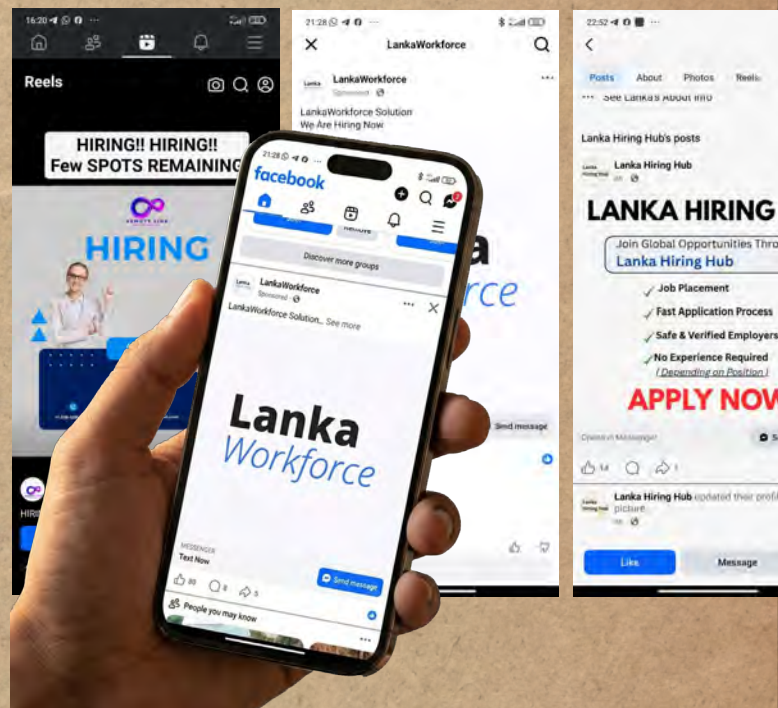
But this raises a dangerous question. **How reliable is social media anymore?**

In the present day, the platforms people trust the most are also the easiest places to manipulate. AI-generated videos, fake testimonials, synthetic voices, and scripted “success stories” are flooding timelines at an unprecedented rate. Content that looks convincing spreads faster than content that is accurate. Algorithms do not reward truth — they reward engagement. And scammers understand this better than anyone else.

What we are witnessing is not accidental. **It is a structural failure of how information now moves.**

The Advertisement Problem No One Talks About

Scroll for five minutes on Facebook, Instagram, or TikTok and you will see them:



high-paying jobs, work-from-home offers, **“simple tasks,”** foreign opportunities, investment groups, crypto assistants, online coordinators, customer support roles, data entry jobs, and recruitment ads promising quick income with minimal effort.

Some of these advertisements lead directly to scams.

Others lead to something far more disturbing.

In many cases, these are not fake jobs **they are real jobs inside scam operations,**

This distinction matters.



Fake Jobs vs. Scam Jobs: Understanding the Difference

A fake job advertisement is designed to steal from you. **A scam job advertisement is designed to recruit you.**

In the first case, you are the victim. In the second, you are being turned into part of the system.

Many Sri Lankans apply for what appears to be a legitimate role: online assistant, payment handler, recruitment coordinator, chat support, or account manager. The process looks normal. There may be interviews conducted over WhatsApp or Telegram. You may be asked to submit documents. You may even be trained.

But once onboarded, **the reality becomes clear.**

You are not doing legitimate work.
You are helping a scam function.

When “Work” Becomes Financial Crime

One of the most common roles advertised through social media today involves handling payments.

The instructions often sound harmless:

- “Open a new bank account”
- “Receive funds from customers”
- “Transfer the money to another account”
- “Keep a small commission for yourself”

Sometimes the commission is 5%. Sometimes 10%. Sometimes more.

This is not a job. **This is money laundering.**

Even if you never speak to a victim.

Even if you never write a scam message. **Even if you believe you are “just helping.”**

By receiving, moving, or redistributing funds obtained through deception, you become a financial mule. And under the law, intent does not always protect you. Many people only realize this after their accounts are frozen, questioned, or flagged — long after the recruiters have disappeared.

Social media ads are increasingly being used to recruit people into these roles precisely because they target trust, desperation, and financial pressure.

Why These Ads Spread So Easily

Platforms like Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok are not neutral spaces. They are driven by engagement systems that reward:

- Emotional content
- Urgency
- Promise of relief or escape
- Financial hope

Scam advertisements exploit this perfectly. They use language designed to trigger urgency (“limited slots”), comfort (“no experience needed”), and aspiration (“earn from home”).

They are visually polished. They use AI-generated presenters, stolen brand logos, and fake comments showing “**people getting paid.**”

Once one person engages. **the algorithm pushes it further.**

This is why these ads seem to appear everywhere at once.

This is why older users, especially parents and grandparents, are disproportionately affected.

This is why social media has become one of the most powerful scam distribution channels in Sri Lanka today.

The Illusion of Legitimacy

One of the most dangerous aspects of scam recruitment is how normal it feels.

There are Telegram groups with thousands of members.

There are daily payouts during early stages.

There are “managers” who respond politely and professionally. **There are training materials, schedules, and rules.**

All of this creates an illusion of legitimacy. **But legitimacy is not measured by organization.**

It is measured by transparency, accountability, and lawful purpose.

Scams can look professional.

Criminal networks can look like companies.

And social media has become their most effective hiring platform.



The Cost Nobody Sees

When these systems collapse — and they always do — **the damage spreads outward. Victims lose money.**

Recruited workers lose bank access.

Families deal with investigations they never expected.

Communities lose trust in legitimate online opportunities.

And the platforms move on to the next trend.

This is not just a personal problem. It is a societal one.

Asking the Hard Question

Social media is shaping how people learn, work, invest, and trust.

But when truth and deception are rewarded equally **or deception is rewarded more we have to ask:**

How reliable is social media as a source of knowledge today?

And more importantly:

What happens when an entire generation **learns to trust algorithms instead of verification?**

Why Awareness Is No Longer Optional

This is not about fear. **This is about literacy.**

Understanding how scam advertisements work, how recruitment pipelines operate, and how easily people are pulled into criminal systems is no longer optional knowledge. It is basic digital survival.

If a job sounds too easy, it deserves scrutiny.

If money moves without clarity, **it demands questions.**

If social media presents certainty, it should be challenged.

Because in today's digital environment, what looks like opportunity can quietly be a trap.

And by the time you realize the difference, you may already be inside it.



Narrated through the voice of :
| Leo Dylen Wolff

Awareness is protection. And protection is built together.





Deep dive into -

LEO CLUB OF KOLONNAWA



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 YEARS & CONTINUING THE LEGACY

Establishment:

1998

Guided By:

Late Lion Dhanapala Athukorala

Parent Lions Club:

Lions Club of Kolonnawa

Charter President:

Leo Devendra Godawattha

District Leadership:

Produced 6 District Presidents & 1 District Vice President

Projects Completed:

300+ impactful service projects

Club Type:

Omega

The Leo Club of Kolonnawa, founded in **1998** by the late **Lion Dhanapala Athukorala** of the **Lions Club of Kolonnawa**, has grown into one of the most distinguished Leo clubs in Sri Lanka. With more than two decades of dedicated service, the club has become a pillar of youth leadership, community impact, and fellowship within **Leo District 306 D6**.

From its formative years under the leadership of **Leo Devendra Godawattha**, the club established a culture of excellence that continues to inspire new generations of Leos. Over the years, it has built an impressive legacy, completing more than **1,000 impactful projects** and nurturing leaders who have gone on to serve as **six District Presidents** and a **District Vice President**.

At the heart of the club lies its motto, **"A Family Like No Other."**

This philosophy reflects the inclusive environment it fosters, where young people from diverse backgrounds unite to learn, grow, and serve.

The Leo Club of Kolonnawa is not only a service organization but also a platform where youth are empowered to discover their potential and develop the skills needed to become tomorrow's leaders.

Today, the club stands as a beacon of hope and inspiration, continuing to build on its **proud legacy**. With every project and initiative, it reaffirms its commitment to shaping a brighter future through leadership, service, and unity.

CHRONICLES OF D6



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It is truly an honor to serve as the President of the Leo Club of Kolonnawa, a club that carries more than two decades of service, leadership, and fellowship. To be entrusted with guiding a family that has built such a powerful legacy is both humbling and inspiring.

Leoism is more than just service projects; it is a movement that shapes who we are and who we can become.

It brings together opportunities to serve our communities, to develop our leadership, and to form bonds that last a lifetime. Every project we undertake, every initiative we lead, and every challenge we overcome is a chance to learn, to grow, and to create meaningful impact.

As we move forward, let us embrace these opportunities with open hearts and determined minds. Our strength lies not only in what we achieve individually, but in what we accomplish together as one Leo family.

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LEO DYLEN WOLFF

CLUB PRESIDENT 2025-2026
LEO CLUB OF KOLONNAWA
LEO DISTRICT 306 D6



Deep dive into -

LEO CLUB OF Battaramulla Synergy



11 YEARS &
CONTINUING THE
LEGACY

Establishment:
2014

Guided By:
PMDP Lion Tuan Roshan Latiff

Parent Lions Club:
Lions Club of Battaramulla Inner Circle

Charter President:
Leo Mandakini Kariyawasam

Early Recognition:
Most Outstanding New Leo Club – District & Multiple | Most Outstanding New Leo in Sri Lanka

District Leadership:
Produced 2 District Presidents & 1 Multiple District Secretary

Club Type:
Omega

Founded in **2014** under the sponsorship of the **Lions Club of Battaramulla Inner Circle** and the visionary leadership of **PMDP Lion Tuan Roshan Latiff**, the Leo Club of Battaramulla Synergy has grown into a powerhouse of service and leadership within Leo District 306 D6. Guided by its **Chartered President, Leo Mandakini Kariyawasam**, the club made an exceptional entrance into the Leo Movement, being recognized as the Most Outstanding New Leo Club in both the district and the multiple district, while also producing the **Most Outstanding New Leo in Sri Lanka** during its very first year.

Over the past decade, the club has completed more than 200 impactful projects spanning education, infrastructure, women empowerment, hunger relief, and environmental conservation. Signature initiatives such as Ho Gana Pokuna, Bliss, sath piyum and Project Pearl stand as testaments to the club's dedication to meaningful and sustainable service.

Built on a foundation of unity, diversity, and teamwork, Battaramulla Synergy truly embodies its name transforming collective energy into positive change.

The club proudly celebrates a legacy of excellence, producing **two District Presidents, one Multiple District Secretary**, and earning numerous awards and recognitions at both district and multiple levels.

Today, as it continues to evolve, the Leo Club of Battaramulla Synergy remains committed to empowering youth and striving to be better each year—lighting the path toward a brighter, more compassionate future.

CHRONICLES OF D6



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It is a true honor to serve as the President of the Leo Club of Battaramulla Synergy a club built on passion, perseverance, and an unshakable commitment to serve with purpose. Over the past decade, Synergy has become more than a name; it has become a spirit that unites diverse minds and hearts toward one goal creating lasting, meaningful change.

To lead such a club is both humbling and inspiring. Every project we undertake, every challenge we face, and every life we touch reflects the strength of our unity and the depth of our compassion.

We are not driven by recognition, but by the belief that true leadership lies in service in lifting others, empowering voices, and building a community that grows together.

This year, my vision is to strengthen that legacy to ensure that every member finds not only a platform to serve but also a space to discover their potential. Together, let us continue to rise, inspire, and lead with purpose keeping the Synergy spirit alive in everything we do.

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LEO THARUN ALVITIGALA

CLUB PRESIDENT 2025-2026
LEO CLUB OF BATTARAMULLA SYNERGY
LEO DISTRICT 306 D6



Deep dive into -

LEO CLUB OF KIU



07 YEARS & CONTINUING THE LEGACY

Establishment:

October 30, 2018

Guided By:

Late Lion Sarath Wijechandra MJF MAF JP

Parent Lions Club:

Lions Club of Koswatta

Charter President:

Leo Chamal Kariyawasam

District Leadership:

Several District and Multiple Council Officers emerged from the club

Projects Completed:

300+ impactful service projects

Club Type:

Omega (University-based)

Leo Club of KIU was officially established on **October 30, 2018** as a dynamic, university-based club and were proudly sponsored by the **Lions Club of Koswatta**. From our very first steps, we were blessed with guidance from the **late Lion Sarath Wijechandra MJF MAF JP**. We launched under the leadership of our Chartered Club President, **Leo Chamal Kariyawasam**, during the term of then-District President **Leo Lion Thilina Wijayamuni de Soyza**.

Since our founding, the Leo Club of KIU has dedicated itself to serving the community, proving that youth are powerful agents of change.

Our Leos have successfully completed more than **300 impactful service projects**,

making a significant difference in the lives of many. These projects reflect our commitment to diverse causes, spanning from vital environmental conservation and community health initiatives to educational support for underprivileged students. Every project is planned with the goal of creating a positive and lasting impact.

As an **omega university-based club**, we focus on nurturing future leaders. The club provides a platform for our members to discover their potential, develop practical skills, and gain invaluable Leadership, Experience, and Opportunity. We are committed to upholding the core values of Leoism and look forward to continuing our journey of service, fellowship, and growth within our district, always seeking new ways to serve society.

CHRONICLES OF D6



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It is with immense pride and humility that I address you on behalf of the Leo Club of KIU. Our club's journey, anchored by the spirit of "Together for a Better World," is one defined by action, passion, and an unwavering commitment to service.

This year, we have embraced the philosophy that every small act, across many different service projects, contributes to a monumental change. We haven't focused on a single initiative but rather on diverse efforts; from educational support to community health and environmental stewardship. This comprehensive approach ensures our impact is broad and truly touches the lives of those who need it most.

My vision for the Leo Club of KIU is simple; to continue building a vibrant platform where every member can discover their potential, sharpen their leadership skills, and turn their compassion into tangible results.

Our strength lies in our unity
and our shared purpose to serve
our community.

To all Leos, I encourage you to keep the flame of service burning brightly. Let us continue to serve with integrity, dedication, and genuine empathy. Because in the end, the most important rule is to simply Do Leo by Heart.

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LEO NISHANI RASHMIKA

CLUB PRESIDENT 2025-2026
LEO CLUB OF KIU
LEO DISTRICT 306 D6



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