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(Papers accepted only in English)

(C). Japanese Language, Culture & Education
(Papers accepted in Japanese & English)

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Prof. Ananda Kumara
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President / Vice Chancellor – LNBTI,
Director General of JAGCE.

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Sinhala and Tamil New Year 2026 Celebration at LNBTI

In celebration of the Sinhala and Tamil New Year 2026, the LNBTI family came together in a spirit of unity, joy, and cultural appreciation. This special occasion marked a time for reflection, renewal, and strengthening the bonds among staff members.

With the generous support of LNBTI Management, a simple New Year tea gathering was organized, symbolizing the essence of togetherness and shared celebration. The event served as a meaningful opportunity for staff to pause from their daily routines and welcome the New Year with positivity and goodwill.



Staff members were warmly invited to join the celebration at 9:00 a.m. on 20th April 2026, embracing the occasion in unity, happiness, and good spirit. The gathering reflected the institution's commitment to fostering a harmonious work environment while honoring cherished Sri Lankan traditions.

The celebration concluded with heartfelt wishes extended to all for a happy, peaceful, and prosperous Sinhala and Tamil New Year.

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LNBTI Sakura Surya Festival 2026 – A Celebration of Culture and Togetherness

LNBTI proudly hosted the vibrant “Sakura Surya Festival”, a joyous celebration of the Sinhala and Tamil New Year, bringing together staff and students in a spirit of unity and cultural appreciation.

The event beautifully showcased the rich customs and traditions associated with Avurudu, featuring a range of traditional games, lively activities, and moments of shared joy. Participants enthusiastically engaged in classic Avurudu games, creating an atmosphere filled with laughter, excitement, and community bonding.

This memorable celebration not only honored cultural heritage but also strengthened the sense of togetherness within the LNBTI community.

LNBTI extends its heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated and contributed to making this event a truly special and unforgettable occasion.



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Enhancing Workplace Efficiency through Continuous Professional Development

The second stage of the workshop on improving work efficiency was successfully conducted at LNBTI Main Campus. The session was facilitated by Mr. Ranepura, An Advisory Board Member at LNBTI and Former Secretary of the Ministry of Higher Education, who guided participants through practical strategies aimed at enhancing productivity, time management, and overall effectiveness in the workplace.

The workshop provided staff with valuable insights into optimizing daily tasks, minimizing inefficiencies, and adopting more structured and results-oriented approaches to their responsibilities. Participants were encouraged to critically reflect on their existing work practices and identify areas for improvement, fostering a proactive mindset towards personal and professional growth.

This initiative brought significant value to both staff and LNBTI.

For staff members, it served as a platform to strengthen essential workplace competencies, improve performance, and build confidence in managing responsibilities more efficiently. For LNBTI, such capacity-building programmes contribute to a more productive, motivated, and performance-driven workforce, ultimately enhancing the quality of service delivery and supporting the institute's long-term strategic goals.

Overall, the workshop reinforced the importance of continuous learning and efficiency in achieving excellence at both individual and institutional levels.



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Prof. Ananda Kumara Appointed Director General of JAGCE

Lanka Nippon BizTech Institute (LNBTI) proudly announces that Prof. Ananda Kumara, President/Vice Chancellor of LNBTI, has been appointed Director General of the Japan Association for Global Competency Education (JAGCE) with effect from 1 April 2026.

JAGCE, affiliated with nearly 250 universities, plays a vital role in global human resource development in Japan. Prof. Kumara has contributed extensively to the association over the years, serving in key leadership roles including Executive Director, Vice President, President, and now Chairperson. His work, particularly in international exchange, has created valuable opportunities for collaboration between Japanese students and their peers in Sri Lanka and beyond.

Notably, this is the first time a non-Japanese member has been appointed to such a senior leadership position within JAGCE, marking a significant milestone in its history. Among his many contributions, the successful organization of the 6th National Conference in 2018, which attracted over 400 participants, stands out as a landmark achievement.

Prof. Kumara has consistently encouraged young Japanese students to engage in academic and international exchange activities from an early age, ideally from junior high school or high school. At the 2018 conference, he invited many school student presenters, whose participation attracted considerable attention and appreciation from the audience.

Prof. Kumara remains committed to advancing JAGCE's mission by strengthening international engagement and fostering global competencies among youth. LNBTI warmly congratulates him on this distinguished achievement and wishes him continued success.



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LNBTI Strengthens International Engagement Through Courtesy Visit to the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Tokyo

Lanka Nippon BizTech Institute (LNBTI) is pleased to announce that Senior Advisor Mr. Koga Michio and Vice Chancellor Prof. Ananda Kumara paid a courtesy visit to the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Tokyo on 1 April 2026.

The visit was linked to the recent Sri Lanka Study Tour conducted by students of the Institute of Science Tokyo (IST) in March 2026. As part of this engagement, the students were given the opportunity to visit the Embassy and present a brief report on their study tour experience in Sri Lanka. The occasion provided a meaningful platform for academic reflection, cross-cultural exchange, and constructive dialogue.

The delegation was warmly received by His Excellency Professor Pivithuru Janak Kumarasinghe, Ambassador of Sri Lanka to Japan, Ms. Thilini Gunarathne, Mr. Sadun Sameera, the First Secretaries, and the staff of the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Tokyo. The presentations made by the IST students also highlighted their fruitful interactions with LNBTI students and staff during their visit to Sri Lanka.

LNBTI sincerely appreciates the kind arrangements made by the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Tokyo and is deeply grateful for the warm welcome extended to the delegation. The opportunity to listen to the student presentations and receive valuable observations and advice from Embassy officials made the visit especially significant.



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During the meeting, Prof. Ananda Kumara briefed the Embassy staff on several important recent developments at LNBTI. These included the successful recruitment of LNBTI's first batch of graduates by Japanese IT companies as full-time employees, a major milestone that reflects the institute's mission of preparing Sri Lankan students for global career opportunities. He also highlighted the recent accreditation of LNBTI's Bachelor of Information Technology (BIT) programme, which marks another important achievement in the institute's academic and institutional progress.

The visit further demonstrated the strong and growing relationship between LNBTI and Japan, as well as the institute's continuing engagement with key organizations such as the Embassy of Sri Lanka in Tokyo. These connections are of great importance to LNBTI students, parents, graduates, and other stakeholders, as they reflect the institute's commitment to building trusted partnerships that support academic excellence, international exposure, and professional pathways to Japan.

LNBTI remains committed to further strengthening its partnerships with Japanese institutions and relevant organizations in order to create meaningful opportunities for students and to contribute positively to Sri Lanka-Japan educational and professional cooperation.



Inspiring Futures at the LNBTI Campus Open Day

LNBTI successfully hosted an engaging and inspiring Campus Open Day, welcoming a large number of ambitious students eager to explore opportunities in higher education and the IT industry. The event provided a valuable platform for students, particularly those who have recently completed their O/L and A/L examinations, to gain insights into academic pathways, career prospects, and the dynamic learning environment at LNBTI. Visitors had the opportunity to interact with staff, learn about programmes, and discover how the institute supports students in achieving their goals.

The enthusiasm and forward-thinking mindset of the attendees made the event especially memorable, reflecting a strong desire among young individuals to shape their futures with confidence and purpose.

LNBTI extends its sincere appreciation to everyone who participated in the Open Day and looks forward to supporting the next generation as they embark on their academic and professional journeys.



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The Vice Chancellor's Message

Prof. Ananda Kumara
President/Vice Chancellor, LNBTI
President, Japan Association for Global
Competence Education (JAGCE)

A New Era at LNBTI: From Dream to Reality

Dear Students, Parents, Staff, and Well-Wishers,

LNBTI was established with a clear vision: “Study in Sri Lanka and Work in Japan as an IT Professional.” Today, this vision is steadily becoming a reality through our academic programmes, Japanese language training, professional development activities, and strong links with Japan.

To achieve this goal, students must prepare themselves with commitment, discipline, and determination. A successful career in Japan requires not only academic qualifications, but also strong IT knowledge, Japanese language competence, professional behaviour, cultural understanding, and personal discipline.

Students are encouraged to focus seriously on their studies from the very beginning. In particular, they should aim to achieve the required Japanese language level, including JLPT/NAT N3, while maintaining good academic performance. I strongly advise students, especially those who entered after A/Ls, to pass the JLPT/NAT N3 level by the end of the third year. Achieving this level on time will greatly support students in securing employment opportunities in Japan before graduation. Any delay in reaching this language level may delay future career success.

Students who wish to work in Japan must also understand Japanese workplace culture, where respect, punctuality, teamwork, responsibility, honesty, and harmony are highly valued. Japanese employers expect graduates to demonstrate not only interest, but also proven ability, commitment, and readiness. At LNBTI, we guide our students to develop these qualities and become disciplined, globally employable professionals.

Japan is widely recognized for its high level of public discipline, social responsibility, and trust. Respect for others, care for public property, and responsible behaviour in society are considered normal expectations. Therefore, students who plan to live and work in Japan must prepare themselves to adapt to such an environment.

Professional appearance is also an important part of career readiness. Students are expected to maintain proper grooming, clean attire, neatly trimmed beards or preferably clean-shaven faces, neat hair, and a respectful appearance during lectures, official events, interviews, company visits, and activities involving external guests. These expectations are intended to help students prepare for Japanese and international workplaces while representing themselves, LNBTI, and Sri Lanka in a positive and professional manner.

This journey requires the collective support of students, staff, and parents. Together, by strengthening IT knowledge, improving Japanese language skills, developing professional behaviour, and respecting cultural differences, we can continue to make LNBTI's vision a reality.

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LNBTI ආයතනය ස්ථාපිත කරනු ලැබුවේ පැහැදිලි අරමුණක් සහිතවයි: “ශ්‍රී ලංකාවේ අධ්‍යාපනය ලබා ජපානයේ IT වෘත්තීයයෙකු ලෙස සේවය කිරීම.” අද එම අරමුණ අපගේ අධ්‍යයන වැඩසටහන්, ජපන් භාෂා පුහුණුව, වෘත්තීය සංවර්ධන ක්‍රියාකාරකම් සහ ජපානය සමඟ ඇති ශක්තිමත් සම්බන්ධතා හරහා යථාර්ථයක් බවට පත්වෙමින් පවතී.

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ජපානයේ සේවය කිරීමට අපේක්ෂා කරන ශිෂ්‍යයන්, අනිකුත් අයට දක්වන ගෞරවය, වේලාවට වැඩ කිරීම, කණ්ඩායම් වැඩ, වගකීම, අවංකභාවය සහ සමගීය ඉතා අගය කරන ජපන් වෘත්තීය සංස්කෘතිය ද හොඳින් අවබෝධ කරගත යුතුය. LNBTI හිදී අපි ශිෂ්‍යයන්ට මෙම ගුණාංග වර්ධනය කර ගනිමින්, විනයගරුක සහ ලෝක මට්ටමේ රැකියා සඳහා සුදුසු වෘත්තීයයන් බවට පත්වීමට මඟ පෙන්වන්නෙමු.

වෘත්තීය පෙනුම ද වෘත්තීය සුදානමේ වැදගත් කොටසකි. ශිෂ්‍යයන් දේශන, නිල උත්සව, සම්මුඛ පරීක්ෂණ, සහ බාහිර අමුත්තන් සම්බන්ධ ක්‍රියාකාරකම්වලදී නිසි පෞද්ගලික සනීපාරක්ෂාව, පිරිසිදු ඇඳුම්, පිළිවෙලට තබාගත් කෙස් සහ ගෞරවණීය පෙනුමක් පවත්වා ගැනීමට අපේක්ෂා කෙරේ.

වටිනා ආහරණ පැළඳීම අප සමාජයේ සාමාන්‍ය පුරුද්දක් වුවද, ජපන් වෘත්තීය සංස්කෘතිය තුළ එවැනි ක්‍රියාවලි අගය නොකරන අතර, සරල බව, විනය, පිළිවෙල, සහ වෘත්තීය ගෞරවය ඉහළින් අගය කරනු ලබයි. ඒ අනුව, අධ්‍යයන හා වෘත්තීය පරිසරයන්හි අනිශ්‍ය කැපී පෙනෙන ආහරණ, නොගැලපෙන ඇඳුම්, නොපිළිවෙලට සකස් කළ කෙස්, සහ වෘත්තීය පෙනුමට නොගැලපෙන ආකාරයේ පෞද්ගලික පෙනුම් වලින් වැළකීම සුදුසු වේ. උත්සව වලදී කැපී පෙනෙන ඇඳුම් පැලඳුම් බාධාවක් නොවේ.

මෙම උපදෙස් සිසුන්ගේ පුද්ගලික අත්‍යන්තාව සීමා කිරීම සඳහා නොව, ජපන් සහ ජාත්‍යන්තර වෘත්තීය පරිසරයන් සඳහා ඔවුන් සුදානම් කිරීම සඳහා වන අතර, තමන්ව, LNBTI ආයතනය සහ ශ්‍රී ලංකාව ධනාත්මක ලෙස නියෝජනය කිරීමට උපකාරී වේ.

මෙම ගමන ශිෂ්‍යයන්, කාර්ය මණ්ඩලය සහ දෙමාපියන්ගේ සහයෝගය අවශ්‍ය කරන එකකි. එකට එක්ව, IT දැනුම ශක්තිමත් කිරීම, ජපන් භාෂා හැකියාව වැඩිදියුණු කිරීම, වෘත්තීය හැසිරීම වර්ධනය කිරීම සහ සංස්කෘතික වෙනස්කම් ගෞරව කිරීම තුළින්, LNBTI හි දැක්ම යථාර්ථයක් බවට පත් කිරීමට අපට දිගටම හැකි වේ. ජපානයට ගැලපෙන ලෙස ඔබ දැරුවා ධනාත්මක ලෙස වෙනස් ඉරීමට අප දරණ උත්සාහයට විශේෂයෙන්ම දෙමවුපියන්ගේ සහයෝගය ඉල්ලා සිටිමු.

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Enhancing Teaching Excellence through Student-Centred Blended Learning

A professional development workshop on Student-Centred Learning in a Blended Learning Environment was successfully organized for academic and technical staff, focusing on the design of effective LMS/Moodle courses and the use of online tools in higher education.

The session was conducted by Prof. Hewagamage, Head of Academics - LNBTI, who shared valuable insights into enhancing teaching and learning practices through the meaningful integration of digital platforms. The workshop highlighted innovative strategies to promote student engagement, improve course design, and create more interactive and learner-focused educational experiences.



Participants had the opportunity to explore practical approaches to blended learning, exchange ideas, and reflect on current teaching practices. The session served as an important platform for strengthening institutional capacity in delivering high-quality, technology-enhanced education.

The active participation of staff underscored the institution's commitment to continuous professional development and excellence in teaching and learning.

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LNBTI Showcases Commitment to Innovation at Innovation 2026

LNBTI had the privilege of participating in Innovation 2026, a dynamic event hosted by Wesley College, Colombo, bringing together young innovators, educators, and institutions passionate about advancing creativity and technology in education.

The event provided a meaningful platform for engagement with emerging young innovators, enabling the exchange of ideas and insights on the growing importance of technology-driven learning and innovation. It highlighted the critical role of education in nurturing creativity and preparing students to meet the demands of an evolving, innovation-led world.

Through its participation, LNBTI reaffirmed its commitment to fostering future ready skills and supporting initiatives that bridge academic learning with real world applications. The experience further strengthened the institute's vision of promoting innovation as a key pillar of modern education.

LNBTI extends its sincere appreciation to Wesley College, Colombo, for organizing a well-structured and impactful event that successfully inspired the next generation of innovators.



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