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PREFACE

Tsunami Devastates Libraries in Sri Lanka

The worst ever natural disaster experienced in Sri Lanka on Sunday December 26, 2004 affected the whole country in all aspects of activities. The tragic waves did not spare the libraries in the eastern and southern coast. It also affected the activities of other areas of the country indirectly. The whole nation was affected either directly or indirectly.

As everybody was engaged in providing the basic needs of the people who survived the situation, the need for libraries or rebuilding libraries were not a priority at the beginning. The Sri Lanka National Library and Documentation Services Board (NLDSB) made an early appeal on Tuesday, 28 December 2004, to the international library community making available information on damaged libraries. This received an instant response from UNESCO resulting in a visit of Dr. Susanne Ornager, Advisor, Information and Communication Division for Asia, UNESCO, New Delhi office. As a result of the UNESCO intervention, the Sri Lanka Disaster Management Committee for Library, Information Services and Archives (SL DMC-LISA) attached to the NLDSB was set up at which the SLLA was represented very well.

As the one and only professional organisation in the field of LIS in Sri Lanka the Council of SLLA after visiting the affected libraries decided to develop few libraries as model libraries. The project was publicised and circulated among the membership. It was remarkable how some of the members tried their level best to get funding through different sources using their official and personal connections. As a result SLLA received funding from foreign as well as local sources. The team effort of the Council and the support of the non Council members should be noted with great appreciation. This event proved the capabilities of library professionals are not to be underestimated.

Although the SLLA had to deviate from its normal scheduled activities by involving themselves in the process of developing model libraries, this comes well within its mandate, being the only professional association in the field. In an era where librarians themselves were highly engaged in rebuilding their roles and changing the library's role the tsunami created a new challenge to the professionals. Rather than developing strategies for marketing and negotiating skills, they will be seen as a responsible authoritative figure in the process of redeveloping the community. This would be a good opportunity for the library professionals to make their presence felt by the decisions makers and the planners of the nations. SLLA with the support of its members shall be strong and is determined to make this possible.

INTRODUCTION

Libraries, information and knowledge environment has been and continues to be changed by the development of the communication technologies and the Internet. Since the mid-1990s there have been substantial efforts to develop practical technologies for library services. The development of networked information too has already brought significant changes in information-seeking behavior and library services. This has made possible to extend library services online to remote access points.

Technologically, we are approaching the point at which it will be possible to move our libraries out of their buildings and into the computers of scholars, teachers, and students everywhere.. This is not just the card catalogs, not just some digitized collections, not just leased e-journals, but massive quantities of books, manuscripts, and audiovisual resources that our libraries have painstakingly accumulated over decades, in support of scholarly research and education. Massive digitization for widespread online access can be achieved. Why not do it?

Massive digitization means making resources now available only within the walls of major research libraries, universally accessible. Digital library resources could flow freely across institutions and even across continents. This will reduce time-consuming, expensive trips for research to institutions outside a scholar's own. Resources available to teachers and students for course work of all kinds could be substantially increased.

To fall in line with these developments, we, as responsible professionals need to do our best to enhance our technical knowledge, improving skills and make a start to implement new systems within our own working units.

To support Librarians and information professionals in their futuristic endeavors, the Sri Lanka Library Association for the past several years has been making an effort in providing educational programmes, practical training and providing scholarly advice in these areas of timely interest. In addition, as a professional body the SLLA has been initiative in legally stabilizing the professional status of the professionals.

We gather for the 45th AGM with the deliberation of evaluating our activities and start on new projects and programmes that would improve our professionalism. With the assistance and guidance provided by the SLLA, hope that we can improve our libraries and collections by making use of the latest technology.

This annual report covers the period after the 44th Annual General Meeting held on 25 June 2004 and includes the year ending June 2005. It includes the activities during the period under review.

01. MEMBERSHIP

The active membership of SLLA at the end of May 2005 was 315. Five Corporate members (Associate members) and twenty two non-corporate members were enrolled during this year.

The list of members registered during the period reviewed is given in *Annex 01*.

02. COUNCIL

The Council comprised of the elected members at the 44th AGM and the nominated members as given below:

President	Ms. Deepali Talagala	Vice President	Ms. D.I.D. Andradi
General Secretary	Ms. Gayathri Amarasekera	President Elect	Ms. Dilmani Warnasuriya
Asst. Secretary	Ms. J. Weerathunge	Immediate Past President	Mr. N. U.Yapa
Treasurer	Mr. Anton D. Nallathamby	Education Officer	Ms. R.H.I.S. Ranasinghe
Publication Officer	Mr. J.S.K. Weerawardena	Asst. Education Officer	Ms. Padma Bandaranayake
Information & Public Relations Officer	Mr. L.R. Amarakoon	Nominated members	Mr. C. Kuruppu Ms. N. P. Wanasundera
Representatives - Provincial	Central		Ms. Rita Liyanage
	Eastern		Ms. T. Arulnandhy
	North Central		Mr. Gamini De Silva
	Northern		Ms. S. Sridharan
	Sabaragamuwa		Ms. T. Neighsoorei
	Southern		Ms.U.G.M.P. Kariyawasam
	Western		Mr. M.B.M. Fairouz
Representatives - Groups	Academic		Ms. Ruwini Kodikara
	Government		Mr. K.G.S. Gunathillake
	Public		Ms. L.P. Karunawathi
	Special		Ms. H.D.D.M Amarasinghe
	School		Ms. Pushpa Wanigathunga

The Council held seven meetings during this period.

03. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive committee nominated by the Council comprised of the following members:

President	Ms. Deepali Talagala	Vice Presidents	Ms. D.I.D. Andradi
General Secretary	Ms. Gayathri Amarasekera	President Elect	Ms. Dilmani Warnasuriya
Asst. Secretary	Ms. J. Weerathunge	Immediate Past President	Mr. N. U.Yapa
Treasurer	Mr. Anton D. Nallathamby	Education Officer	Ms. R.H.I.S. Ranasinghe
Publication Officer	Mr. J.S.K. Weerawardena	Asst. Education Officer	Ms. Padma Bandaranayake
Information & Public Relations Officer	Mr. L.R. Amarakoon	Nominated members	Mr. C. Kuruppu Ms. N. P. Wanasundera

The ExCo held seven meetings during this period.

04. COMMITTEES

At the first meeting of the Council several Committees were appointed. Subcommittees were appointed as and when the need arose for different events. The full list of Committees is given in *Annex 02*.

05. SLLA ACTIVITIES

05.01 Education programme

The Education Programme continued smoothly through the year, with the cooperation of the Education Committee and constant communication with the Coordinators of the Centres, and the unstinting support received from the Lecturers and SLLA office staff. Full list of lecturers is given in *Annex 03*.

05.01.01 SLLA Diploma Course

The three-tiered Diploma Course in LIS was successfully carried out as follows:

Centre	Centre Coordinator	Medium	Level	Period
Batticaloa	Ms T Arulnandy	Tamil	Level I	October 2004 through June 2005
		Tamil	Level II Part 1	May 2005 through January 2006
Colombo		Sinhala	Level I	September 2004 through June 2005
		Tamil		
		English	Level II Part 1	May 2005 through January 2006
Sinhala				
Tamil	Level II Part 2	September 2004 through August		
English				
		Sinhala		
		Tamil		

		English		2005 October 2004 through August 2005
Galle	Ms U.G.M.P. Kariyawasam	Sinhala	Level I	September 2004 through June 2005
Jaffna	Ms.T. Sridharan (June-November2004) Ms. K.Chandrasekar (Since December 2004)	Tamil	Level I	September 2004 through June 2005
			Level II Part 1	June 2005 through January 2006
			Level II Part 2	December 2004 through July 2005
Kandy	Mrs. Daya Ratnayake	Sinhala	Level I	September 2004 through June 2005
			Level II Part I	May 2005 through January 2006.

The SLLA would like to thank the following libraries who readily accommodated the Diplis Part 1 students on their two week In-Service Training Programme.

They are:

University of Sri Jayawardenapura Library, University of Colombo Library, Public Library Colombo, National Library & Documentation Services Board and Industrial Technology Institute.

05.01.02 Course on Library Automation

Thirteen (13) students participated in the COLA 2004 course, which commenced in May 2004. Twelve students successfully completed the course and certificates to those who completed COLA 2004 will be awarded at the awards ceremony of the 45th AGM.

COLA 2005 will commence in June 2005.

05.01.03 Distance Education Programme in Male` (DEPLIS)

Repeat examination for DEPLIS Students those who have not completed the examination was held in January 2005. Results were released in May. A total of five students completed the examination.

Out of 41 students who followed the course 30 students successfully completed the course, 05 students passed in three subjects, 04 passed in two subjects while 01 passed only in one subject. The certificates for those who completed the exam were sent to the course coordinator Ms. Azra Ahmed.

05.01.04 Distance Education Programme on DIPLIS – Sri Lanka

The second course of the distance education programme commenced in September 1994. Twenty-Five students participated in the DIPLIS course. Three workshops were held in Colombo.

Resource Persons:

- Mr. N.U. Yapa
- Ms. T.K. Abeygunarathne
- Ms. Soma de Silva
- Ms. S. Jayatilake

05.01.05 Field trips

The Kandy students visited the National Library, National Archives, and National Science Foundation on 11th March 2005.

05.01.06 Examinations

05.01.06.01. DIPLIS Level I August 2004

Centre	Total no. (All 3 media)	No. Passed	Referred
Colombo	114	87	15
Jaffna	42	34	06
Batticaloa	71	48	09
Distance	18	07	03

05.01.06.02. DIPLIS Level I Repeat Examination March 2005

Centre	No. of students sat	No passed
Colombo	27	07
Batticaloa	17	06
Jaffna	08	08

05.01.06.03. DIPLIS Level I Old Syllabus Repeat Examination March 2005

Centre	No. of students sat	No passed
Colombo	05	02
Jaffna	02	00

05.01.06.04. DIPLIS Level II Part 1 Repeat July 2004

Centre	No. of students sat	No passed
Colombo	26	10

05.01.06.05. DIPLIS Level II Part 2 August 2004

Centre	Total no. (All 3 media)	No. Passed	Referred
Colombo	34	25	07

05.01.06.06. DIPLIS Level II Part 2 Repeat August 2004

Centre	No. of students sat	No passed
Colombo	10	03

05.01.06.07. DIPLIS Level II Part 2 August 2004

Results of the above examination was released in February 2005 and summarized below. According to the results it was clearly indicated that the highest percentage of students passed was in the Sinhala medium while the lowest was in the Tamil medium. An analysis of the results is given in *Annex 04*.

Students Passed	
Sinhala & Tamil media	73.5%
Sinhala Medium	74%
Tamil Medium	71.4%

DIPLIS Level II Part 2 Repeat Examination was held in April 2005 and the results are yet to be released.

05.01.07 Lecturers Seminar

A lecturers seminar was organized for all the lecturers teaching at all levels. 30 lecturers attended the seminar. The main objective of the seminar was to develop detailed guides of the modules for lecturers, so that the teaching standards in all Centers could be standardised.

The seminar was very useful for the lecturers as they could share their views among their colleagues. At the end of the seminar it was decided to compile the input provided by all the participants and make it available to all the lecturers. It was also decided to develop a collection of reading materials for students at all the Centers,

05.01.08 Awards

05.01.08.01 Achievement Awards for the year 2004

Diploma in Library & information science Level 1 Awards

Blok Memorial Awards

Batticaloa Centre	☛	Mr. S. Sasikumar
Colombo Centre	☛	(S) Mr. M.G.R.P. Mathotagama (E) Ms. H.V. Perera (T) Mr. M.I. Mohamed Tajil Arifu
Galle Centre	☛	Ms. A.T.R. Shyamali
Jaffna Centre	☛	Ms. S. Mathivathana
Kandy Centre	☛	Ms. U.I. Walagedara
Male'	☛	Ms. Asiyath Abbas
Distance Course	☛	None qualified

A.L.B. Pethiyagoda Award

Kandy Centre	☛	Ms. C.K.S. Yapa
DIPLIS Level II Part 2 Award for best achievement	☛	Mr. G.R.E. Fernando

Clodagh Nethsingha Memorial Award for Best Student of the COLA Course

☛	Ms. H.M.N. Wijerathna
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05.02 Professional development programmes

05.02.01 Seminar on Knowledge Management

SLLA organized a seminar on Knowledge Management and Digital Divide on 27th July 2004 at the Auditorium of Sri Lanka Institute of International Relations, Colombo. There were two presentations by Ms. Sue Henczel, Training and Consortia Manager, CAVAL Collaborative Solutions, Australia, on Knowledge Management and Dr. Abhijith Lahiri, Advisor, NISSAT, India on Digital Divide and Digital Library Development in India. About 30 participants attended the seminar.

05.02.02. Regional Workshop on Web Cataloguing

A Regional Workshop on Web-cataloguing was organized with a UNESCO grant awarded to cover the expenses of the workshop and participants.

The main objective of the Workshop was to demonstrate advanced features of CDS/ISIS and to educate CDS/ISIS trainers how CDS/ISIS and associated software could be utilized to create web catalogues. It is envisaged that the participants would train the local librarians to create web catalogues.

05.02.02.1 Organizing Committee

A Committee comprising of the following persons was appointed by SLLA to organize the Workshop:

Ms. Deepali Talagala
Mr. N.U. Yapa
Ms. Dilmani Warnasuriya
Mr. Anton Nallathamby

05.02.02.2 Participants

No participants were available from Maldives and Bhutan where CDS/ISIS software is not used. Hence geographical coverage was extended to cover two countries where CDS/ISIS was recently introduced by UNESCO. The countries included were: Bangladesh, Nepal, India, Pakistan, Myanmar, Laos and Sri Lanka.

Persons nominated and supported by local national library associations were given prominence in selection of participants. Only two persons from each country were selected, except from the host country Sri Lanka. Participants needed to have experience in cataloguing, data entry; library or office software. Knowledge in CDS/ISIS was essential while working experience in HTML was expected.

05.02.02.3 Facilities:

A round-up air tickets, hotel accommodation, meal expenses and local transport were provided. Copying facilities, Internet and e-mail facilities were also available. Infopack with the UNESCO CD, workshop documents and some other professional materials were distributed.

05.02.02.4 Workshop venue

The Workshop was held at the Sri Lanka Press Institute from 21 - 25 February. Computer centre of the SLPI was used for demonstrations, lectures and hands on practical. A network of 16 computers, multimedia projector, display/ projection screens were available. Restaurant of the SLPI was used to serve meals.

05.02.02.5 Inauguration

Although the workshop started on 21 February, it was ceremonially inaugurated on 22

February at the Galle Face Hotel. About 100 library professionals and officials of LIS organizations attended. Dr Sussane Onager, Regional Adviser For Communication And Information In Asia And The Pacific, UNESCO, New Delhi, was the chief guest. Mrs. D. Talagala, President SLLA, Dr Onager and Mrs. G. Amarasekera, General Secretary SLLA addressed the meeting.

05.02.02.6 Resource Persons

Resource persons were selected to handle different topics given in the programme.

Following were the major areas of specialization:

- Information technology (in general), Library automation (general), windows operating system
- Compilation of databases using WINISIS
- Application of GENISIS software
- Web page design
- Linking the electronic catalogue to create the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC).

Facilitators to assist in practical sessions were also selected, as there were 16 participants.

Following served as resource persons / facilitators:

- Mr. N.U. Yapa
- Ms. Deepali Talagala
- Mr. J.S.K Weerawardena
- Ms. Premila Gamage
- Ms. Priyadarshani Hemakumara

05.02.03 Regional Workshop on Integrating Information Skills into School Curriculum

Ms. Padma Bandaranayake was nominated for the Regional Workshop on Integrated Information Skills into School Curriculum held from 1-5 November 2004 at the Hotel Galadari Colombo. The workshop organised by NILIS and sponsored by IFLA included participants from South and South East Asian Countries and Ms. Bandaranayake represented the SLLA at the above workshop.

05.02.04 UN4IM Training Programme

Two members were nominated for a UNESCO supported Innovative Training Programme - UN4IM held in Bangalore, India from May to December 2005. All expenses towards their participation would be borne by UNESCO. Two months, one in May and the other in December will be spent in India, and the other four months will be spent in Sri Lanka, as a distant programme. Ms. Padma Bandaranayake and Ms. Priyadharshani Hemakumara participated in the first month of the training.

05.02.05. English for Public Librarians

English classes for Public Librarians were organised once a week. Colombo Public library staff was selected as the first batch as suggested by the CPD Committee. Due to poor response from the participants the classes had to be discontinued after three weeks. The Resource person was Ms. Nanda Wanasundera

05.03. Sri Lanka Library Association (Incorporation) (Amendment) Act, No. 7 of 2004
The Committee appointed at the last AGM held five meetings and concluded their suggestions for amending the Sri Lanka Library Association (Incorporation) (Amendment) Act, No. 7 of 2004 which came into effect from 06th February 2004. The

suggested amendments will be sent to all the members for further suggestions and will be taken up for discussion at the AGM.

The list of Chartered Librarians was published in the Daily News on the 30th May, 2005 according to the Act and the Rules of SLLA.

05.04 Service Minute of the Government Librarians

The President, Ms. Talagala was invited by the Ministry of Public Administration for a discussion on the Government Librarians' Service Minute. At this meeting the Director, Integrated Services of Public Administration accepted the suggestions made by SLLA and the National Library & Documentation Services Board to prepare the final version of the service minute.

The public Administration was also informed about the change of name of the DIPLIS Course, so that those who followed the course in the past will not be affected by this change of name.

05.05. Representations at Governing Boards of other Institutes

The President represented SLLA at the following Governing bodies:

- Sri Lanka National Library & Documentation Services Board
- National Institute of Library and Information Science
- Central Province Library Services Board
- Colombo Public Library Management Committee

Treasurer Mr. Nallathamby and Council Member Mr. I R Amarakoon represented SLLA at the Executive Council of the OPA and as a forum member respectively.

The Assistant Education Office, Ms. Bandaranayake represented SLLA at the NILIS Academic Committee.

The President, President elect, Treasurer and Past President represented SLLA at the Sri Lanka Disaster Management Committee for Library and Information Services and Archives (SLDMC for LISA)

05.06 45th Annual General Meeting and Annual Sessions of SLLA

A Committee was appointed to organize the 45th AGM and Annual Sessions of SLLA. Annual Seminar "National Conference on Library and Information Studies" is organized to be held on the 29th June and AGM on the 30th June. The main objective of the annual conference was to provide an ideal forum to the library professionals and information providers to come together and interact on subjects of mutual interest, leading to the professional development of the members of the Association. Full papers will be distributed on a CD.

The Council decided to hold the AGM and NACLIS both on a low key due to the fact that SLLA funds were utilised for the Tsunami project. The Council also decided that when the country is facing a national crisis it was not appropriate to request for sponsorship from vendors.

05.07 Tsunami Project of SLLA

According to statistics available, 52 public libraries, around 177 school libraries and 68 libraries attached to religious institutions were damaged or destroyed completely in the Northern, Eastern and Southern coastal belt of the country by the recent tsunami. As the only professional organization in the field of LIS in the country, the council of the Sri

Lanka Library Association were of the view that the Association should contribute in some measure towards the rebuilding and restoration of some of these libraries. Several members of the Association visited the affected areas, and after some discussion, decided to launch a project to rebuild four damaged libraries as model libraries. The libraries selected were:

- Lakshman Thabrew Memorial Public Library in Balapitiya
- Vidyaloka Vidyalaya School (Science) Library in Galle
- Thambilivul Maha Vidyalaya English Library in Thirukkivil, Ampara
- Batticaloa Public Library (children's library) , Batticaloa

Estimates for rebuilding have been already obtained. Donations of books have been received and also pledged, and equipment requirements are being looked into presently. Assistance was solicited from members, non members and other library associations. The SLLA greatly acknowledges the contributions received and the efforts of the members who initiated in getting donations. These are listed in *Annexe 5*.

5.08 Vision and Mission of SLLA

The Publications and Public Relations Committee of the SLLA submitted a draft Vision and Mission Statement to be adopted by the Council. This was further modified and adopted . It was published in the Newsletter of March 2005.

5.09 Developing Reading Skills of A. L. Students

A one day lecture programme on "How do We use a library and develop reading skills" for Advanced Level students of the National school, R/Jeilani Central College at Balangoda was conducted on 11th May 2005. This was organized to meet their requirements for an assignment on Rebuilding a school library at a national level , and to promote their reading habit using a library. The programme also included a visit to the University Museum, Central Library and the book binding section.

Mrs. T.N. Neighsoorei, the representative for Sabaragamuwa Region coordinated programme. She was also awarded a plaque for consultation services rendered to the Library of Military Academy at Diyatalawa, on 12 -13 February 2005.

5.10 Directory on Special Libraries

The Special Library Group is in the process of preparing a directory of special libraries. A questionnaire will be used to collect data.

5.11 Enhancement of SLLA Resources

SLLA purchased a spiral binder and a paper cutter, to enhance the SLLA office facilities. These will greatly assist in the education programme. A laptop computer to be used during workshops and seminars was also purchased.

06. COLLABORATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

06.01 International Federation of Library Associations

The following members were nominated for IFLA committees as representatives of the SLLA:

Ms. Premila Gamage - IFLA Free Access to Information and Freedom of Expression
Regional Standing Committee on Asia and Oceania (RSCAO)

Ms.Ruvini Kodikara for Science & Technology Committee

Mr.Jagath Weerawardane - Information Technology Committee

06.02 Sponsorship by Norwegian Agency for Development Co-operation (NORAD)

Ms. Premila Gamage who will be presenting a poster on the SLLA Tsunami project at the next IFLA Annual Conference which will be held from 14th -18th August 2005 in Oslo is partially sponsored by the NORAD.

06.03. Empowering Library Associations for effective Management

A Workshop by IFLA's / ALP and the Nepal Library Association

Mr. Nallathamby was invited to present a paper 'Financial management in Library Association' at the above workshop, which was held from 5-8, 2004 in Nepal. Mr. Yapa also attended the workshop as a participant.

One of the resolutions moved at the workshop was setting up a regional federation of library associations in South Asia. After the meeting the representatives from the library associations in Asia met and discussed about a formation of a federation. It was decided to form The Regional Federation on South Asian Library Associations (REFSALA). A planning committee comprising Mr. Bola, Mr. Bandari (Nepal) Dr. Abdussatar (Bangladesh), Mr. Ejaz (Pakistan), Mr. Muttayyah, Ms. Kalpana (India), Mr. Yapa, Nallathamby (Sri Lanka), Prof. Bowden (IFLA) prepared a draft constitution of REFSALA. The first meeting of REFSALA is scheduled to be held in July in Nepal.

06.04 UNESCO/ APIN 2nd Meeting

Ms. Warnasuriya, President Elect attended the above meeting on the invitation from Institute of Scientific and Technical of Information of China (ISTIC) / UNESCO. The meeting was held in China and air fare and accommodation was provided by ISTIC. Dr. Susan Orneger, Advisor for Communications and Information in Asia, UNESCO was the main official at this session. Some of the topics covered included the Information for all Programme, Grants for such projects, and the constitution and working of APIN. Very informative papers on the World Summit on the Information Society was presented by Dr. Yves Courier from UNESCO, and Awareness raising on information literacy by Dr. Shalini Urs from Mysore.

Ms. Warnasuriya had the opportunity to discuss with Dr. Orneger about the Web Cataloguing Workshop, which was held in Sri Lanka.

06.05 Clodagh Nethsinghe Memorial Library - Institute of Chemistry

The SLLA council donated a Library Counter worth of Rs. 30,000.00 to the Clodagh Nethsingha Library of the Institute of Chemistry. The counter will have a label indicating that it was donated by the SLLA. The President was also invited as the Guest of Honour at the opening ceremony of this library.

07. PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

07.01. Newsletter and the Journal

Publications Committee published four Newsletters for the period ending June 2005 and the SLLA Journal "Sri Lanka Library Review" Volume 19.

The distance course modules were printed as reading materials for students.

07.02. SLLA Website

SLLA website hosted at the NSF (<http://www.nsf.ac.lk/slla/>) was continuously updated to include workshop presentations, Newsletters, Tsunami project, content page of the Journal and examination results. SLLA Council is also looking into the possibilities of having its own web server. SLLA may be able to assist in hosting websites of other libraries after establishing its own webserver.

08. FINANCIAL REPORT -2004/2005

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2005

The Sri Lanka Library Association recorded an income of Rs. 135,007/= for the year ended 31st March 2005 when compared with last year shows a ~~significant decrease~~. The major contributing factor for the last years profit was the income from DEPLIS which was around Rs. 2.7 Million.

713,306/=

3.2.

There has been a drop in the income from course fees and Examination fees. This is due to fact that the course fee on Level 2 Part 1 was not received in full during the financial year. Most of the payments were received in April/May 2005. Also the course on Library Automation has not yet commenced and the full fee has not been received in the financial year.

The administration expenses have increased from 1.9 M in the previous year to Rs. 2.7 M in the current year, This is mainly due to the charge of Rs. 300,000/= in the Donations account which was set a side for Tsunami Library rebuilding project. The depreciation charges have also increased in the current year due to additions of Fixed assets.

Fixed assets were purchased to the value of Rs. 806,300/= during financial year. A digital copy printer, 2 computers, Lap Top computer, 22 Nos computer chairs, Paper cutter and a paper binder were the assets purchased.

Rs. 1 Million was invested in fixed deposits during the year under review.

Rs. 851,278/= is available in the Library Re building Fund which includes the contribution of Rs. 300,000/=, made by the Sri Lanka Library Association. This will be used to develop Libraries in the Galle, Batticaloa and Ampara districts.

The Auditors report for the 2004/2005 is given in *Annex 06*.

09. SLLA STAFF

SLLA Staff comprise the following:

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| • Ms. Shanti de Alwis | <i>Administrative Secretary</i> |
| • Ms. Edna Malkanthi de Silva | <i>Accounts Assistant</i> |
| • Ms. Kaushali Morawaka | <i>Office Assistant</i> |
| • Mr. K.U.R. Perera | <i>Office aid</i> |
| • Ms. J.S.Pradeepika de Silva | <i>Library Assistant/ Office Assistant</i> |
| • Ms. R.T.C. Ransinghe | <i>Office Assistant</i> |

Office Assistant Ms. R.T.C. Ransinghe was absorbed into the permanent staff. The Council also revised the salary scales of the permanent staff in accordance with the Government salary increase in January 2004.

10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The council would like to express their appreciation to all the members who gave their co-operation to all the activities conducted by the Association, to the office staff who worked untiringly throughout the year and all the benefactors and sponsors who assisted in the programmes.

11. Our Gratitude

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- International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA)
- Chartered Institute of Library and Information Profession (CILIP)
- UNESCO National Commission, New Delhi
- Japanese Funds in Trust (JFIT)
- Save the Children Foundation
- National Development Bank
- Ms. Sue Henczel, Training and Consortia Manager, CAVAL Collaborative Solutions, Australia
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- Ms. Imalka Senadhira, Read-write Sri Lanka Project
- Ms. Rukmal Harvey - Sri Lankan Association of New England
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- Vice-Chancellor; the Dean Faculty of Management, Registrar, Coordinator - Centre of Computer studies, Library staff and Mr.R.A.G. Bandara of Sabaragamuwa University
- Major Rohan Jayasinghe, Chief Instructor, Combat Training School, Ampara

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- Mr. L.R. Amarakoon for getting the funding from Save the Children Foundation
- Mr. Anton Nallathamby for donations of books from Asia Foundation
- Ms. P. Gamage for publicising among International community and

All those who contributed towards Tsunami project

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EDUCATION PROGRAMME - STATISTICS

Students registered for the DIPLIS Course 2004/2005					
Level I					
	Colombo	Kandy	Galle	Jaffna	Batticaloa
English	24				
Sinhala	30	42	12		
Tamil	12			57	50
Postal Course	25				

Level II Part 1					
	Colombo	Kandy	Galle	Jaffna	Batticaloa
English	09				
Sinhala	31	24			
Tamil	11			20	30

Level II part 2					
	Colombo	Kandy	Galle	Jaffna	Batticaloa
English	06				
Sinhala	34			15	
Tamil	13				

DIPLIS Level II part 2 August 2004 - Examination

Summarized Results

Students Referred		
	Sinhala & Tamil Medium	07
	Sinhala Medium	05
	Tamil Medium	02
Students failed in two subjects		
	Sinhala & Tamil Medium	01
	Sinhala Medium	01
	Tamil Medium	00

Donations received towards the Tsunami Project

Financial support

Save the Children's Fund.	SLRs. 544,000.00
Prof. Russell Bowden	SLRs. 10,000.00
Mrs. R.H.I.S. Ranasinghe	SLRs. 5,000.00
Mrs. D.I.D. Andradi	SLRs. 5,000.00
Mr. Dayarathne - IPS	SLRs. 5,000.00
Foreign participants - Web cataloguing workshop	SLRs. 6,500.00
Ms. J.S.P. de Silva	SLRs. 1,000.00
National Development Bank	SLRs. 25,000.00
Michael Harvey	\$20.00
Rukmal Harvey	\$31.00
Lois Mondy	\$4.00
Pierre R.	\$20.00
Jane Walsh	\$10.00
Jean Dawson	\$15.00
Sarah Ramussun	\$15.00
Ellen Sheehan	\$10.00
Nancy Tracy	\$5.00
Lucielle	\$5.00
Sister Muriel Lemoine	\$100.00
Ken F.	\$25.00
Lorraine Jackson	\$20.00
Susan G.	\$20.00
Amy	\$15.00
Pat	\$20.00
Alice	\$20.00

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Mr. R.M.R. Diyaelagedara
Mr. P.C. Wedasinghe
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Read, Write - Sri Lanka: a program initiated by Imalka Senadhira of Bethesda, MD, USA, to help students, teachers, schools and libraries affected by the tsunami.

Mr. N.U. Yapa: Integrated Library software (PURNA & Thaksila)

**AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

We have examined the Balance sheet of Sri Lanka Library Association as at 31st March 2005 and the related statements of income and Expenditure and Cash flow statement for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with the Sri Lanka Auditing Standards.

- a) We were not provided with any documentary evidences relating to the ownership of the building.

In our opinion except for any adjustment or disclosure which may be required in the Financial Statements due to the matter referred to in the above paragraph (a) so far as appears from our examination and according to the best of our information and explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Association the said Balance sheet and the related income and Expenditure Account and cash flow statement have been properly, drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 31st March 2005, and its Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year then ended.

SJMS ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
Colombo.

27th May 2005

**SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2005**

	Note	2004/2005 Rs.	2003/2004 Rs.
INCOME			
Membership Registration and Subscription Fees		163,950.00	169,061
Course Fees and Examination Fees	3	2,837,972.00	6,327,103
Income on Workshops	4	1,916,282.00	1,724,062
Registration Fees		<u>125,100.00</u>	<u>149,700</u>
		5,043,304.00	8,369,926
Less: Direct Expenses	5	<u>(2,741,373.53)</u>	<u>(2,905,755)</u>
		2,301,930.47	5,464,171
Add: Other Income	6	<u>561,248.37</u>	<u>472,679</u>
		2,863,178.84	5,936,850
Less: Administrative Expenses	7	<u>(2,728,171.20)</u>	<u>(1,966,306)</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure before Taxation		135,007.64	3,970,544
Taxation Expenses		<u>0.00</u>	<u>(4,196)</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure		<u><u>135,007.64</u></u>	<u><u>3,966,348</u></u>

**SRI LANKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2005**

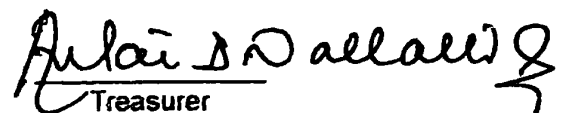
	Note	31.03.2005 Rs.	31.03 2004 Rs.
ASSETS			
Non Current Assets			
Property, Plant & Equipment	8	1,704,096.00	1,308,080
Investments	9	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000</u>
		1,705,096.00	1,309,080
CURRENT ASSETS			
Accounts Receivable	10	431,233.04	119,570
Cash and Bank Balances	11	<u>9,264,049.64</u>	<u>8,883,337</u>
		9,695,282.68	9,002,908
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>11,400,378.68</u></u>	<u><u>10,311,987</u></u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accumulated Fund	12	10,015,848.69	9,880,841
RESERVES			
Building Fund	13	29,850.98	28,585
Library Rebuilding Fund		<u>851,278.23</u>	<u>0</u>
		881,129.21	28,585
DEFERRED LIABILITIES			
Provision for Gratuity	14	<u>412,482.33</u>	<u>318,748</u>
		11,309,460.23	10,228,174
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	15	<u>90,918.45</u>	<u>83,814</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		<u><u>11,400,378.68</u></u>	<u><u>10,311,987</u></u>



President

30/5/05

Date



Treasurer

30/5/05

Date

PUBLICATIONS AND PUBLICITY

It is great pleasure to mention that the ISSN Nos for two publications of the SLLA was obtained from the Sri Lanka Library Services Board as follows-

ISSN 1391 - 2526 - Sri Lanka Library Review
ISSN 1391 - 2534 - SLLA Newsletter

During the period under review, two issues of the SLLA Newsletter (Vol.11. Nos.1-4) was published, and distributed among the SLLA members and Libraries of the Local Government Authorities who celebrated the Library Day on the 08th of November 1996.

A coloured brochure also was released in connection with the "Library Day" which was organised by the SLLA, and celebrated islandwide on the 08th of November 1996.

Action is also being taken to issue "Sri Lanka Library Review Vol.11, Nos. 1-2, March 1997" before the Ar

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