National Ceremony of "World Ozone Day 2019" in Sri Lanka

National ceremony of the "World Ozone Day – 2019" was organized by the Ozone Unit of Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment on 16.09.2019 at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute to mark the 32ny anniversary of the Montreal Protocol. The event was held under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka Maithreepala Sirisena as the chief guest and with the participation of several other distinguished personals including Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma State Minister of Mahaweli Development and Environment, Hon. M.J.M. Musammil, Governor of the Western Province, Mr. Udaya Seveviratna, Secretary to HE the President, Secretaries to other Ministries, heads of government departments, and statutory authorities.

Prof. K.K.C.K. Perera, Vice Chancellor to the University of Moratuwa delivered a speech at the event on the protection of ozone layer and the future of the Refrigeration and Air Conditioning sector.

A first day cover was issued by the Post Master General at the event to mark the 30th anniversary of Sri Lanka joining both the Vienna Convention and Montreal Protocol.

In parallel to the event, an exhibition of posters was conducted with ones selected by a panel of experts in an island wide competition organized by the Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment. HE the President offered awards for the winning teams at the event

Further, the award of appreciation received by Sri Lanka Customs at the Network meeting held in Mongolia last month was officially handed over to the Director, SL Customs by HE the President at the ceremony.

The event was adorned by the cultural activities performed by Sri Lanka Army.

Some of the photos captured at the event are attached herewith.

Fig 1 : Welcome address by Mr. Anura Dissanayake, Secretary to the Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment



Fig 2. HE the President watching the poster competition



Fig 3 : First day cover issued by the Post Master General to mark the 30th anniverary of Sri Lanka joining Vienna Convention and Montreal Protocol



Fig 4: Official hand over of the Award to Sri Lanka Customs



Fig 5: Lecture by Prof. K.K.C.K. Perera, Vice Chancellor to UOM



Fig 6: Price Giving for the winners of poster competition



Fig 7 : Cultural activity performed by Sri Lanka Army



Fig 8 : Gathering





