

Japura Scholarship Launching Ceremony and Public Speech

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Unique way to provide financial assistance to talented youth.
Being introduced in Australia by Japura Alumni Australia Inc., the Alumni Association of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka.

A Second Event to Follow in September



**Japura Scholarship
Fundraising Dinner with Ajith
Nivard Cabraal, Governor of
the Central Bank of Sri Lanka**

**Friday, September 9th 2011
7:00pm Hungarian Community
Centre, Wantirna South
More details to follow**

Public speech on "The Value of Helping Talented Youth"

by internationally renowned scholar ,
Professor Prema-chandra Athukorala,
Professor of Economics, Arndt-Corden
Department of Economics, Australian
National University



Date: Sunday, June 26th 2011

Start: 3:30pm and Finish: 6:00pm

**Where: Lecture Theatre 12 (Building X), Deakin University,
221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood VIC 3125**

Dress: Semi formal

Entry: Free event by registration only. Please book the strictly limited seats by emailing your name and contact details to japuraalumni@hotmail.com. Japura Alumni Australia Inc. plans to invite representatives of the Sri Lankan Government and University community to this launching ceremony.

What is 'Japura Scholarship Fund' of Japura Alumni Australia Inc?

Japura Alumni Australia Inc. is proud to take a leading role by launching this unique scholarship fund. This fund provides opportunity for generous donors to financially assist undergraduates of Sri Jayewardenepura University. Japura Scholarship Fund will help our future generations to achieve their best potential in their own careers and in their contributions to the wider community.

What makes Japura Scholarship Fund unique?

You only have to contribute once. Your donation is placed on an interest-earning fixed deposit. This interest income will be paid to deserving, carefully-selected undergraduates as scholarships for years to come. Your contribution (the principal) will remain in-tact for ever generating interest income. Your contribution will be viewed, acknowledged, and appreciated for generations by your family, friends and the general public. You can monitor how your money is helping the scholarship recipients to pursue their academic, professional and technical aspirations. Scholarship recipients will periodically update their personal progress in Japura website.

You do not have to donate periodically. There is no on-going financial commitment. You just have to donate once. At today's interest rates, a donation of \$2,500 will generate a scholarship in your name, giving a financial assistance of Rs25, 000 every year to a needy and deserving student who will be selected every year. Arrangements have already been made with the Bank of Ceylon to deposit all donations into a Sri Lankan rupee life time fixed deposit and pay the interest of Rs25, 000 every year in 10 instalments to a nominated scholarship recipient.

How can I contribute to a scholarship?

You have three options to become a valuable partner of Japura scholarship fund. You can join a group of 100 donors making individual donations of \$25 each or a group of 10 donors making individual donations of \$250 each. You even have the opportunity of donating \$2,500 giving it a name of your choice and participating in the process of selecting the scholarship recipient every year.

How do I make donation?

Make your donation money directly into Japura Alumni Australia Inc.'s bank account with

ANZ bank of Australia

BSB 013-471 A/C 4776-46618.

Alternatively, you have the choice of paying by credit card on our website www.japuraalumni.com. Please note the online payment option has a credit card surcharge payable along with the donation

How are scholarship recipients selected?

- Japura Scholarship Committee collects applications every year from undergraduates with the help of The University of Sri Jayewardenepura.
- Five members of the Scholarship committee will assess each application based on published selection criteria and will award points. Applicants with highest points will be awarded that year's available scholarships. Japura Alumni Australia Inc. as sure that only the most deserving applicants will be chosen using an unbiased and transparent selection process.
- Each scholarship is valid only for one year. New applications are required to be submitted every year for each scholarship by undergraduates, including those who have received scholarships in previous years.

If I donate, how is my money protected and used effectively?

- Robust systems and processes are in place to manage collection of donations, placement of investments and distribution of investment returns to scholarship recipients.
- We have chosen Sri Lanka's leading government owned bank, The Bank of Ceylon, to hold the scholarship funds. A big 4 chartered accounting firm will audit scholarship fund annually.

Can I donate before the official launching?

Yes! In fact, we highly encourage people to donate as soon as possible for this great cause. Please get behind it now and help us help the future generations of Sri Lanka.

Scholarship Committee:

Amal Ramyanath
Donald Perera
Hilary Silva
Jayamini Kariyawasam
Jayantha Hewamanna
Lal Gamage
Millon Landers
Prabash Galagedara
Dr. Ramanie Samarathunge
Samson Ekanayaka
Sujith Cooray
Susith Balapitiya
Waruna Savinda