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# Kingfisher Airlines launches daily direct flights from Colombo to Bangalore and Chennai

Kingfisher Airlines, India's first and only Five Star Airline, recently extended its international footprint by launching daily direct flights from Colombo to Bangalore and Colombo to Chennai, a press release said. Guests traveling on this route can now experience Five Star service, thanks to the unique flying experience offered by Kingfisher Airlines.

The flights are very conveniently timed with the Colombo departure at 09:15am and reaching Bangalore at 10:30am and the departing return flight at 03:00pm which reaches Colombo at 04:20pm. Also, from Colombo, there is a daily departure at 05:30pm reaching Chennai at 06:45pm with a return flight at 06:45am that gets into Colombo at 08:05am. With these timings, guests from Colombo can enjoy easy access to India's widest airline network.

The introduction of these flights marks the continuation of the second phase of international route expansion plans of Kingfisher Airlines. Earlier on January 5 2009, Kingfisher Airlines launched daily direct services between Mumbai

and London Heathrow. In the first phase of the roll out of its international route network, Kingfisher Airlines commenced services from Bangalore to London Heathrow.

Commenting on the launch, Mr. Siva Ramachandran - Vice president Global Sales, Kingfisher Airlines Limited said, "We are delighted to welcome Colombo as the latest destination in our global network, and we look forward to extending our hospitality to guests on this new service. The warm relationship between Sri Lanka and India has grown over the years, and we believe the introduction of Kingfisher Airlines' new service will help foster even closer bilateral trade and tourism ties."

The initial response to the launch of these new flights has been extremely encouraging and we look forward to rapidly establishing our presence in the Sri Lankan market."

Ever since its launch in May 2005, Kingfisher Airlines has blazed a trail of innovations and introduced a range of market-firsts that have completely re-



D H S Jayawardena with Mr Siva Ramachandran

defined the whole experience of flying. By elevating its customers to a level of being 'guests' and not just passengers, Kingfisher Airlines has endeared itself to consumers. A growing testimony of this is the numerous awards and recognitions that Kingfisher Airlines has won at domestic as well as International level.

About Kingfisher Airlines: Kingfisher Airlines is India's first and only 5-Star airline and the only one to offer a premium

first class. Besides being the first and only airline in India to offer in-flight entertainment on every seat, Kingfisher offers LIVE TV with 16 channels of live and exciting content.

The airline has received numerous awards for innovation, customer responsiveness and was voted the "Best New Airline of the Year", within months of its launch. Kingfisher Airlines is a part of the UB Group that is one of India's largest conglomerates

with diverse interests and a global presence. The UB Group is also the largest Indian alcoholic beverages (beer and spirits) company and the second largest drinks group in the world.

Kingfisher Airlines covers all segments of air travel from low fares to premium service and offers most flights by any single airline network in India. With a fleet of 87 aircraft, Kingfisher Airlines connects 73 cities and operates 442 flights a day.

## New Services Launched With Effect from January 19, 2009

Origin Type	Destination Fares Starting	Flight No.	Depart	Arrive	Aircraft	
Colombo	Bangalore	IT 0064	09:15	10:30	A320	LKR 21,300 + taxes, fees and surcharges
Bangalore	Colombo	IT 0063	15:00	16:20	A 320	
Colombo	Chennai	IT 0062	17:30	18:45	A320	LKR 14,300 + taxes, fees and surcharges
Chennai	Colombo	IT 0061	06:45	08:05	A320	



## 5th Convocation of the College of Chemical Sciences



The 5th Convocation of the College of Chemical Sciences was held recently at Cinnamon Grand Hotel. Picture shows Prof. Dayantha Wijesekera delivering the Keynote Address at the occasion



Teaching Assistants in Procession at the 5th Convocation of the College of Chemical Sciences, held recently at Cinnamon Grand



## Cargills Supremo felicitates Brand Ambassador Ajantha Mendis

Cargills Supremo recently felicitated its Brand Ambassador Ajantha Mendis for his outstanding performance on the cricketing field having just established a new world record for the fastest 50 wickets in One Day International Cricket, a press release said. Ajantha who has made to the top of the world over as the 'Future of Spin Bowling' achieved this phenomenal feat in just 19 matches. Managing Director of Miller's Distributors (Pvt) Limited Mr. Prince Nelson presented a token of appreciation to Ajantha Mendis in recognition of his sporting prowess.

At this occasion Ajantha Mendis was also presented with a collection of well wishers and signatures from his fans across the island as further tribute to his performances. The collection of signatures coincided with the Cargills Food City 'Doren Dorata' road show held to mark its 25th Anniversary. Accordingly signatures were collected during a 60-day tour which covered more than 360 locations islandwide including the Eastern province. Ajantha picked a lucky fan from the collection of signatures to be gifted with a Cargills Supremo Branded T shirt.

## Huge opportunities for higher studies overseas

Institute of Vocational Studies is the place to approach

The trend of the students who focus their attention on foreign education, escalates day by day. As a result institutions that offer counselling in such matters too proliferate. But it is important that you should select the institute that gives the correct guidance with regard to the relevant matter. Institute of Vocational Studies (Pvt) Ltd., is another ideal institution of that calibre.

Vocational Studies (Pvt) Ltd., has opened avenues for students of our countries to study Medicine, Engineering (Computer Science, Electricity Science, Electronic Studies, Chemistry, Mechanical Science, IT Technology, Business Management, Accountancy, Hotel Management, English Language and Literature, Mass Communication, Social Studies and several other subjects including Diploma Courses and Degrees Post Graduate Courses in countries such as India, China, Malaysia, Singapore and Bangladesh.

The other important factor is that the rates charged are much affordable.

The foreign universities in which you can study are Bangalore University, Rajiv Gandhi University, Affiliated Universities (NTR) such as rank No. 01, PESIT Post Graduate Institute at Karnataka State, India, University of Pennsylvania (USA), affiliated to Indiana University, Claremont University & NRI College, Sambhram Institute of Technology, Science and Technology University, Chithagon, Bangladesh, Zhengzhod Medical University, China, FTMS Global (affiliated with University of East London UK) Auston Institute of Management & Technology (affiliated with Conventry University, UK), ERC Institute etc.

Mrs. Vijitha Mallika Senanayake who is the Managing Directress of Institute of Vocational Studies is too has an MSc. Degree in Lulumba Friendship University, Russia. Therefore she was of the opinion that she can serve the students of our country who wish to study abroad through her experience she had when she was studying.

"Our Institute is bound to see to all the academic activities including boarding facilities of the students until they complete their courses. We are happy to announce that there are hundreds and thousands of doctors, engineers engaged in higher ranks Sri Lanka, who had followed the course in foreign universities and academic institutions due to our correct guidance," Mrs. Senanayake said. "Moreover our main policy is to protect the trust that has been kept by the parents and students of our country for 15 years."

"Also, we are proud to say that our institution has so far sent more than 7000 students for higher studies in foreign universities since its inception. Normally we hold interviews to select students to be sent to foreign universities at BMICH.

Another special fact has to be mentioned. Ours is the only institution in Sri Lanka that sends students to Chithagon University, Bangladesh.

Therefore I kindly remind you not to be duped by bogus institutions that cheat students who are yearning to study in foreign universities.

We are glad to announce that we sent a batch of 115 students to Chithagon University (University of Science & Technology to follow Medicinal Science) on 15th January 2009 (the 9th batch).

"I appreciate and mention with great gratitude the co-operation extended by instructors (teachers), Mahinda Bandaranayake, Tilak Rajakaruna, Amith Pussella, Udayakanthe Kariyawasam, Nihal Deyapriya, Gamini Kularathna and Chandra Jayawardena to US.

Our office was at BMICH from 1993-2000. Now it's shifted to No. 476, Kandy Road, Dalugama, Kelaniya. Our institution has branches in A Pura, Kurunegala, Kandy, Galle, Matara, Ratnapura, Badulla and Bandarawela.



## UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO VACANCIES

The University of Colombo will entertain applications from suitably qualified persons for the following Posts up to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

### PERMANENT POSTS:

#### FACULTY OF ARTS

- Department of Economics
  - Lecturer (Probationary)/Senior Lecturer Grade II/I

#### FACULTY OF MEDICINE

- Department of Microbiology
  - Lecturer (Probationary)/Senior Lecturer Grade II/I
- Department of Pharmacology
  - Scientific Assistant Grade II

- Department of Psychological Medicine
  - Lecturer (Probationary)/Senior Lecturer Grade II/I in Psychiatry

### TEMPORARY POSTS:

#### FACULTY OF ARTS

- Arabic & Islamic Civilization Unit
  - Temporary Lecturer
- Department of Political Science & Public Policy
  - Senior Lecturer Grade II (on contract) Tamil Medium

Application forms and relevant details can be obtained from the Senior Asst. Registrar/Academic Establishments, 'College House', University of Colombo, Colombo 3 either by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope 23x10 cm in size or by personally calling over at the office of the Senior Asst. Registrar/Academic Establishments.

All applications should be sent under registered cover to reach the Senior Asst. Registrar/Academic Establishments, University of Colombo, 94, Cumaratunga Munidasa Mawatha, Colombo 03 on or before 13-03-2009. The post applied for should be indicated on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

Registrar, 94, Cumaratunga Munidasa Mawatha, Colombo 3. 18 February 2009.

## Managerial positions in Technology Advisory

When our people achieve their best, so do our clients. That's why no matter where you are in your career, we commit to helping you achieve your full potential.

We are looking for dynamic individuals, possessing above average technology and business acumen, to advise and guide our clients on the effective utilisation of ICT and IT security, for managerial positions in our Technology & Security Risk Services (TSRS) division. Successful candidates will be placed in suitable managerial positions commensurate with their qualifications and/or experience.

### Candidates must

- Hold an IT related degree or an equivalent professional qualification in IT and/or a Masters Degree in Information Technology
- Possess excellent leadership and client relationship management skills
- Have excellent track records in IT project management

Preference will be given to those holding a finance qualification (CIMA, ICASL or ACCA) or a qualification in Business Management and/or CISA/CISSP qualifications.

If interested, please forward your resume with the names and contact details of two non-related referees to "The Partner TSRS" to reach us at Ernst & Young, 201, De Saram Place, Colombo 10 on or before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2009. Please state "Post of IT Advisory Professional" on the top left corner of the envelope and your resume. Resumes can also be e-mailed to [careers@lk.ey.com](mailto:careers@lk.ey.com). Please state "TSRS - IT" in the subject area.



## Vallibel Finance posts profit growth of 242%

Vallibel Finance remains one of the top names in the financial sphere, recently posting financial results for the nine months ending 31st December 2008, with overall exceptional results in asset growth, revenue, profit, asset quality and productivity. The Company announced a significant Rs.61.4 million profit from operations, an increase of 242% and net interest margin of 9.23% for the period; a commendable success given the highly volatile market conditions that prevailed during the period. The Company continues to keep to its progressive journey of growth, overcoming economic fluctuations. During the concluded 9 months, total assets have risen to Rs.1.4 billion recording a growth of 59%, whilst revenue recorded a growth of 287% compared to last year's corresponding period.