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Dear Readers,

On behalf of PMI CC, I wish you, our readers, a Happy and prosperous 2011.

As a new year dawns; it is customary in our small corner of the world to greet the year with everything from an over-flowing pot of milk on a hearth, to mountains of delectable food considered auspicious in nature. The beginning of anything is always exciting; and this year PMICC have pledged to bring forth to its member community many opportunities, from conferences and seminars and member forums, to CSR activities. There are plans to involve school leavers in leadership drives to help grow the next generation of strategic planners. As always, we invite you to help make a difference in the way PMI CC operates and lend your valuable experience to the growth of the chapter.

PMI CC commenced the year with a traditional breakfast at their offices and plans for a strategy meeting to outline what 2011 will bring forth; the strategy planning session took place on the 19th of January where several key ideas and plans were launched. The volunteer leaders have each undertaken the daunting tasks of carrying out these plans with strict timelines. Member forums have already commenced for the year and plans are under way for another successful, albeit larger annual PM conference.

Several key leaders from 'Region 11' have applauded the successful year PMI CC had in 2010 and have pledged their support from advice to volunteers for this year; it is in our best interest to grab this opportunity and share their knowledge while imparting ours and growing the discipline of project management across the nation and region.

Members, as this New Year dawns, lets join hands to make a difference in the country, in ourselves and in our profession.

Thank you,
Editor

PMI Member Forums 2011:

The PMI member forums are a monthly event focusing on knowledge sharing, networking, team bonding and awareness building about the potential, the scope and the dire need of experienced and certified project managers in the post-war re-construction phase in Sri Lanka.

These member forums are also an opportunity for those already certified to accumulate their PDU's and those with simply an interest to gain more insight to the value of a career in this field.

January 2011

Budget Effects on new Projects in Sri Lanka.

By: Rohantha Atukorale

Head of National Portfolio Development for Sri Lanka and the Maldives United Nations Operations (UNOPS)

Upcoming forums:

*** Please visit our website or call the chapter office for confirmation of the dates since we are sometimes compelled to change the dates, venue and time due to last minute changes from our worthy speakers.*

February 2011

Date : Thursday, 24th February, 2011

KINDLY NOTE THE FEBRUARY MEMBER FORUM WILL DOUBLE AS THE PMICC AGM ALSO.

March 2011

Date : Thursday, 24th March, 2011

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NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM PMI CC PRESIDENT

On behalf of Board of Directors, Office bearers and PMI office, I wish all Colombo Chapter members and their families a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year with all the Best wishes for the year 2011.

While I thank all the members for their participation and valuable contribution to PMI Colombo Chapter, for Chapter success, here is just a glance at what made last year another great year for all of us.

It was indeed a great year for all PMI Colombo Chapter Members, and our country as we have achieved many Milestones in our sixth year of operation, reaching a membership increase of almost 100% during the last year. This was a tremendous achievement for a small chapter in this region and PMI Global Team, Regional Mentor and all Other chapter Presidents congratulated us, on being one of the fastest growing Chapters in this region. We thank all the new members who joined during 2010 and also all existing members who remain with us; the success of this chapter is dependent up on you.

Another Great achievement was, the first SAARC Regional and Sri Lankan Project Management Conference which was held with great success and offered great value to all participants.

This also created a huge momentum with all business and social sectors, as Project management is a key profession in the Government, Private and NGO sectors. The conference also opened up many opportunities to PMI Colombo Chapter to work with other Organization closely to take the Social, Professional, academic values of Project Management.

Another Great success that PMI Colombo achieved, was that all planned and committed results in all areas to PMI USA were met as a Chartered Chapter in all applicable areas.

I thank all officer bearers, VPs and Board of Directors for their Volunteer commitment despite the limited time and resources. Well done all Volunteer leaders and thank you too.

I personally thank our Region 11 Mentor, Mr Ramam, who was behind me at all times to support all our activities. I trust, we will have another great year ahead with all your support.

Participation is the key ingredient for PMI Colombo chapter to reach the next level by the end of 2011, as one of the best Chapters in this region.

With the coming year PMI Colombo Chapter, welcomes new and young officer bearers and committee members to take more responsibilities, as we need to execute the planned activities with high value propositions to all communities and all sectors, specially Higher education, Social organizations, Government and Youth Awareness.

We plan to work together with Professional, academic bodies and private sector to create Island wide PM Education values, Credentials and also active participation for special projects with the Colombo Chapter.

E-communication is our main channel to reach our members, all communities and for all activities as we have achieved all three products; by way of E-newsletter, E-magazine and also Interactive Web presence in 2010.

Well done, and thanks to our Communication & Technology support team, especially Web master, Editor and the entire supporting team.

Once again, Wishing all the best to our members while inviting you to be an active participant of a great successful team to perform planned activities, to take PMI Colombo Chapter to the highest level, where we offer the best value to all members and communities.

2011 will indeed be a great year for us all!

Hugo Wisidagama

President –PMI Colombo Chapter

On behalf of Board of Directors and PMI Colombo Office.

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New Year Celebrations at PMI CC office - Rajagiriya.



PMI CC – Strategy Planning Session 2011 – Fingara Club, Boralesgamuwa



The Strategy planning session conducted at the Fingara Club on the 19th of January, wrought a new change in the structure, with several individuals taking up the challenge of volunteering for several of the VP and Director positions that were vacant. The session culminated in plans laid down for the year with emphasis on making a change in the PM profession and the initiation of leadership programs for youth.

Plans were also laid to serve the member community further with educational programs and avenues for project management exposure and individual recognition by way of writing articles, coming as speakers and participating in the seminars.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP DAY – 3rd February

Thursday, February 3rd is international student leadership day; a day when we place emphasis on cultivating the minds and hearts of the leaders of tomorrow. PMI CC are proud to inform of the steps that we are taking in forming the next generation of leaders in Sri Lanka.

Please see the Daily Mirror newspapers on February 3rd for details to join hands with PMI CC and pave the way for our younger generation.

Given below is a brief on what PMI CC plans to achieve with these programs.

This day aims at creating interest and awareness on Leadership to the students in the age group of 12 – 22 years.

1. To create interest to Students for practicing Leadership.
2. To bring in awareness to Students on the value of Leadership.
3. To think and plan for future direction of children, and students without mixing up with the past and present issues.
4. To recognize and reward the future leaders in the age group of 12 -22 years.
5. To promote Student Citizenship Culture.
6. To educate the students on their role to take their nation into the league of developed and beyond developed Nation.

PMI Pearl City Chapter, Hyderabad, India; plan for International Student Leadership Day!!!

Gyan Lahari – Student Leadership Conference & International Student Leadership Day celebrations

PMI-PCC has planned an event on 3rd February 2011 at Shilpakala Vedika, Madhapur, Hyderabad, India to coincide with this day.

Student Leadership Competency Building (SLCB) & International Student Leadership Day (ISLD) are the complementing strategic initiatives of the chapter aimed at building Project Management & Leadership Competencies amongst the students of 12-22 years of age to enable them Industry Ready and Nation Ready by the time they complete their academics.

During this year the Leadership Development Program has been initiated across 25 institutes in the state of Andhra Pradesh and we intend to implement across many institutions during the next academic year. As part of this event we are expecting around 2000 participants comprising of students, teachers, parents, corporate leaders, academicians, bureaucrats and so on to exchange their views, brain storm and be part of these celebrations.

For more details on the Chief guests and speakers at the conference and other details of the conference please visit the PMI PCC chapter here - <http://www.pmi-pcc.org/Gyanlahari11.aspx>

PMI CC members from 2010

PMI CC welcome and officially acknowledge the support provided to the chapter by all the members who joined us in 2010.

	Name	Date Joined
1	Mrs. Wickrama Arachchige Niluka Amali Wickramasinghe	2-Jan-10
2	Mr. Devaharan Premkumar	9-Jan-10
3	Mr. Charaka Wathsala Jayasena	17-Jan-10
4	Mr. Sharon Michael Jayawardana	18-Jan-10
5	Mr. Liyanage Duminda Nath Jayasundera	19-Jan-10
6	Mr. Sandun Dhanushka Attygalla, PMP	25-Jan-10
7	Mr. Suren Perera	25-Jan-10
8	Mr. Dhinuk Ashley Wijesinha	30-Jan-10
9	Mr. Nilantha Sanjeewa Bruno Perera	3-Feb-10
10	Mr. Jagath Prasanna Kalutantri	12-Feb-10
11	Mr. Jeewantha Wickramasinghe	12-Feb-10
12	Mr. Vijayakumar Thavendran	15-Feb-10
13	Ms. Jesintha Maheswaran	20-Feb-10
14	Mr. Abdul Wadood M Riza	26-Feb-10
15	Mr. Shanthilal Fernando	10-Mar-10
16	Ms. ERANGI SEUWANDI PEIRIS	17-Mar-10
17	Mr. Aravinda Gunarath Arthanayake	20-Mar-10
18	Mr. Nadarajah Selvanathan	20-Mar-10
19	Ms. Vinodhini Srikrishnarajah	23-Mar-10
20	Ms. Kaushalya Dilhani Nawagamuwa	29-Mar-10
21	Mr. Hasitha Chandimal Wijetunge	31-Mar-10
22	Mr. Piyal Nandana Dissanayakelage	3-Apr-10
23	Ms. krishanthi L Lokuge	5-Apr-10
24	Mr. Kankanamge Nadeera Prasanga	5-Apr-10
25	Mr. Ram Shashi Kumar Balasundram	8-Apr-10
26	Mr. Avantha De Silva,	8-Apr-10
27	Mr. Nilupa Chathuranga Kiringoda	12-Apr-10
28	Mr. Hilmy Farook Fauzaan	17-Apr-10
29	Mr. Nirmal Lasantha Stambo	17-Apr-10
30	Mr. Dinuke Clement Samantha de Coonghe	20-Apr-10
31	Mr. Kristombu Baduge Rangana Dilan	20-Apr-10
32	Ms. Irusha Samadhi Jayasinghe	21-Apr-10
33	Ms. Thushani Surandi Fernando	24-Apr-10
34	Mr. Joe Watson Xavier	25-Apr-10

	Name	Date Joined
35	Ms. Shalini Antionette Goonesekera	26-Apr-10
36	Mrs. Minuka Thivanthi Weeratunge	27-Apr-10
37	Mr. Ranil Palinda Seneviratne	30-Apr-10
38	Mr. Kasun Pradeep Senevirathna	19-May-10
39	Mr. Thilanga Jayarathne	30-May-10
40	Mr. Rasika Chandana Edirisinghe	2-Jun-10
41	Mr. Fazar Zuhair Lafir	11-Jun-10
42	Ms. Radhika Mahisha Wijegunawardana	12-Jun-10
43	Mr. Rasika Samarakoon	15-Jun-10
44	Mr. Sarjeevram Ravikumar	17-Jun-10
45	Mr. Koushalya Udara Dheemath Jayasena	22-Jun-10
46	Mrs. Dinusha Senani Jayawardena	23-Jun-10
47	Mr. Mohan Dharmappriya	30-Jun-10
48	Mr. Shanaka Jude de Silva	2-Jul-10
49	Mr. Suresh Niroshan Fernando	2-Jul-10
50	Ms. Kethaki Perera	3-Jul-10
51	Mr. Shanaka Devinda Nagasinghe	7-Jul-10
52	Ms. Sachitra Surangi Botenne, PMP	8-Jul-10
53	Mr. Chamila Hasanka Udumullage Hewawasam,	8-Jul-10
54	Mr. Nilanka Lakmal Ipitawala	8-Jul-10
55	Mr. Isuru Sampath	8-Jul-10
56	Mr. Saroj Ranasinghe	16-Jul-10
57	Mr. Chinthaka Chandrabanu Palliyahguru	18-Jul-10
58	Mr. Jayaraj Sayanthan	19-Jul-10
59	Mr. Harsha Lecamwasam Amarasiri Goonewardana	22-Jul-10
60	Mr. Sajith Rajapakse	22-Jul-10
61	Ms. induwarani Siriwardane	23-Jul-10
62	Mr. Chamin Joseph Bolonne	25-Jul-10
63	Ms. Susanna La Faber	26-Jul-10
64	Mrs. Kodithuwakku Kankanamge Hemalee Priyanka	29-Jul-10
65	Mr. Madhura Nalaka Perera	31-Jul-10
66	Ms. Dilani Samaratunge	5-Aug-10
67	Mr. Pavan K Kanagala	12-Aug-10
68	Mr. Shehan Adel Lena	23-Aug-10
69	Mr. Susitha Udayana Samaraweera	27-Aug-10
70	Mr. Yohan Prabath Hewagama	31-Aug-10
71	Mr. Rannulu Lakshitha DeZoysa	11-Sep-10
72	Mrs. Darshani Dissanayake	11-Sep-10
73	Ms. Fathimath Sareera Ali Shareef	14-Sep-10

	Name	Date Joined
74	Mr. Nowzarth Yasin Bawa	20-Sep-10
75	Mr. CHANDANA ANURUDDHA SAMARAWEERA	24-Sep-10
76	Mr. Prasad Waduge	26-Sep-10
77	Mr. Hewawasan Haggallage Chulani Dharmapriya Rathnayake	28-Sep-10
78	Mr. Sivanesarasasingham Paranitharan	3-Oct-10
79	Dr. Chandrasegarar Soloman	3-Oct-10
80	Mr. Dimuthu Indunil	6-Oct-10
81	Mr. Berny Perera	6-Oct-10
82	Mr. AHAMED RUSHDI AZEEZ	8-Oct-10
83	Mr. Sandaruwan Bambarasinghe, PMP	8-Oct-10
84	Mr. Ramesh Chitrasiri	8-Oct-10
85	Ravin Tirtius de Mel	8-Oct-10
86	Mr. Uditha Dharmakeerthi	8-Oct-10
87	Amitha Nilmini Gomis	8-Oct-10
88	Mr. Uditha Sadun Gunewardene	8-Oct-10
89	Mr. Dharshana I Illamperuma	8-Oct-10
90	Mr. Mohamed Ibrahim Muhammad Amjad	8-Oct-10
91	Mr. ASOKA INDRASIRI PIYADIGAMA	8-Oct-10
92	Mr. Prashantha Aroshan Seresinhe	8-Oct-10
93	Mr. Chandra Sri Thilakerathna	8-Oct-10
94	Ms. Anita Jayani Thrimawithana	8-Oct-10
95	Mr. MUHAMMED RIZAN JIFFREY	13-Oct-10
96	Mr. Nirmal Pieris	13-Oct-10
97	Mr. Lakshan Francis Fernando	19-Oct-10
98	Mr. Deshan Lakshitha Kalpage	19-Oct-10
99	Ms. MABULAGE JITHANI SANJANA DAYANANDA,	24-Oct-10
100	Mr. Prageeth Dilshan Mahanthege	26-Oct-10
101	Mr. Anuradha Sanjeewa P.W. Warusawithana	26-Oct-10
102	Mr. SURANJITH RATNAYAKE	28-Oct-10
103	Mr. Shantha Aruna Warnakulasuriya	29-Oct-10
104	Mr. Tamir Junaid	22-Nov-10
105	Mr. Gihan Samarasinghe	22-Nov-10
106	Mr. Kumara Badhuge, PMP	6-Dec-10
107	Mr. Maria Cecil Inparajan	14-Dec-10
108	Mr. KURUPPU ARACHCHIGE MERVYN SHEDDRICK RODRIGO	14-Dec-10
109	Mr. Jayarajah – Jeyakanthan	27-Dec-10

PMI CC Members – January 2011

PMI CC welcomes the following members who joined the chapter in January 2011

	Name	Date Joined
1	Mr. Sivendiran Sethuram	4-Jan-11
2	Ms. Anuki Dharshani Gunawardene	5-Jan-11
3	Mr. Kusela Samanjith Wickramasinha	6-Jan-11
4	Mr. Tejas V. Sura	13-Jan-11
5	Mr. Dushan Indika Jayasinghe	15-Jan-11
6	Mr. Prabath Samindra Wickramaratne	15-Jan-11
7	Mr. Maddumage Susitha Roshan Fernando	16-Jan-11
8	Miss Nishana Samarawickrama	16-Jan-11
9	Mr. THAYANITHY SKANTHAROOPA	16-Jan-11
10	Mr. Mohamed Shafraz Cassim	19-Jan-11
11	Mr. Shakir Anas	24-Jan-11
12	Mr. Saminda De Silva	25-Jan-11
13	Mr. Arulkumar Franklyn, Ebenezer Jebamani	25-Jan-11
14	Mr. Sanjaya Kasthuri Arachchi	25-Jan-11

UP COMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS FROM PMI CC

CAPM AND PMP COURSES TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE CHAPTER WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN DUE COURSE.

NEXT PMP EXAMS ARE SCHEDULED FOR

13TH MARCH, 2011

APPLICATION CLOSING ON – 7TH FEBRUARY, 2011

12TH JUNE, 2011

APPLICATIONS CLOSING ON – 9TH MAY, 2011

4TH, SEPTEMBER, 2011

APPLICATIONS CLOSING ON – 9TH AUGUST, 2011

4TH DECEMBER, 2011

APPLICATIONS CLOSING ON – 31ST OCTOBER, 2011

Writers and Editors!!!

As the PMI CC expands in 2011, the need for better communication to the community at large is vital.

PMI CC are looking towards its members to take on this challenge to assist in the editorial team for 2011.

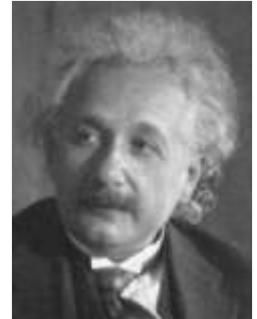
Besides the personal satisfaction of seeing your high-quality work in print and disseminated to the member community, this volunteer post also has the means to provide you with the necessary PDUs

Interested parties, please contact the editor at editor@pmicolombo.org or call the PMI CC offices and leave your contact details.

Memorable Quotes!

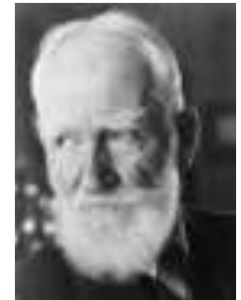
I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.

[Albert Einstein](#), 03/14/1879 - 04/18/1955
Nobel Prize Laureate (Physics)



When a thing is funny, search it carefully for a hidden truth.

[George Bernard Shaw](#)



History will be kind to me for I intend to write it.

[Winston Churchill](#)



PMI CC calls upon ALL members in the PM profession to come forth as speakers for the member forums.

Interested parties please email the following particulars to Director, Events (shanthilal@pmicolombo.org)

- *A brief resume on experience, stating the industry and company and specific area of expertise.*
- *Proposed topic of discussion and why it will be valuable to our members*
- *At least 3 available dates*
NOTE: this is yet another way for you to gather your PDU's.