



Breaking NEWS

SEF Launches New Logo

After successful parliament incorporation and in line with the vision and mission of SEF, a new logo was designed.



Serendib Educational Foundation

2010 Applications

This year we received an increased number of applications (1457) unlike previous years mainly due to the wider coverage in the media as well as awareness amongst the Sri Lankan Muslims about the foundation.

SEF Scholarship Awards, Career Guidance and Interview of 2011 Recipients

Insha Allah the SEF Scholarship Awards, Career Guidance and Interview of 2011 Recipients will be held on Sunday 1st August at MICH, Lily Avenue, Colombo 6 with various prospective donors and prominent Sri Lanka Muslims being invited to grace the occasion.

SEF Field Executives Get Together

Serendib Educational Foundation held its First Field Executives get together on the 20th June. There were 24 Field Executives who participated from 22 different areas covering the whole island. SEF is keen to evaluate and monitor the recipients to justify whether the scholarship assistance is going to the deserving individuals.

SEF envisages that the role of the Field Executives in achieving this is vital. The Field Executives also have a major responsibility in keeping close relationships with the recipients by meeting them regularly to monitor progress in their studies.



The following brothers represented the respective areas :

- Br. M.M.M. Riyasi
- Ash Sheik J.D. Careemdeen (Teacher)
- Br. A.A.M. Nizam
- Br. S.A.M. Sabreen (Teacher)
- Br. A.M.M. Razik (Teacher)
- Br. M.R.M. Munas
- Br. A.L.A. Hassen (Public Health Inspector)
- Br. I.M. Jameel (Deputy Principal)
- Br. M.M.H.M. Ibrahim (Teacher)
- Ash Sheik S.A.M. Rizvi (Teacher)
- Br. A.L.A. Nizar (Teacher)
- Br. I.M. Rizwan (Deputy Principal)
- Br. M.F.M. Nafeer
- Br. M. Habeebullah (Teacher)
- Ash Sheik M.A.L.M. Fasulul Faris (Teacher)
- Ash Sheik U.L.M. Salahudeen (Teacher)
- Br. A. Jamaldeen (Lecturer, SEUSL)
- Br. M.A.M. Salih (Sri Lanka Telecom)
- Ash Sheik M.I.M. Shihabdeen (Teacher)
- Br. A.M.M. Mohideen (Accountant)
- Br. I.M. Roomil (Tax Officer)
in charge of Field Executives
- Br. M.M. Fasly (Teacher)
- Br. M.H.B.M. Hassen (Youth Service Officer)
- Ash Sheik M.L.A. Wajid (Teacher)
- Beruwela
- Nuwera Eliya
- Matara
- Kalawewa
- Anuradhapura
- Warakapola
- Polonnaruwa
- Deltota
- Kattankudy
- Kurunegala
- Kekunugolla
- Mutur
- Ratnapura
- Ninthavur
- Puttalam
- Sammanthurai
- Ninthavur
- Addalaichenai
- Nikawaretiya
- Dharga Town
- Maruthamunai
- Kinniya
- Pottuwil
- Eravur

The program was held under the chairmanship of Br. Rizah Ismail (Vice President, SEF). Ash Sheik Najman (Asst. Secretary, SEF) delivered the welcome address and briefed about the SEF and its long term goals after incorporation in the Sri Lanka Parliament.

Br. Jemseed addressed about the role and expectations from the Field Executives. He very clearly pointed out to the participants what SEF expects from them. The Field Executives enthusiastically participated and discussed actively and expressed valuable suggestions and recommendations for SEF's future activities. They also expressed the difficulties they are facing in the field. However, the Board members agreed to meet on a regular basis to share the experiences of the Field Executives.

SEF Ex presidents Br. Mohammed and Br. Wazeer also participated in this event. SEF Board members sincerely thank the Field Executives, Past Presidents and other members for sparing their valuable time and actively participating.

May Allah SWT reward all and guide us in his right path, Aameen.





Religious corner

EVERY MUSLIM MUST GIVE IN CHARITY

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said: "Every Muslim has to give in charity." The people then asked: "(But what) if someone has nothing to give, what should he do?" The Prophet replied: "He should work with his hands and benefit himself and also give in charity (from what he earns)." The people further asked: "If he cannot find even that?" He replied: "He should help the needy who appeal for help." Then the people asked: "If he cannot do (even) that?" The Prophet said finally: "Then he should perform good deeds and keep away from evil deeds, and that will be regarded as charitable deeds." - Sahih Al-Bukhari, Volume 2, Hadith 524

SPEND IN CHARITY

"Spend (in charity) out of the sustenance that We have bestowed on you before that time when death will come to someone, and he shall say: "O my Lord! If only you would grant me reprieve for a little while, then I would give in charity, and be among the righteous." - The Holy Quran, 63:10

CHARITY IS A PURIFIER

A man once said to the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him): "I have plenty of property, a large family, a great deal of money, and I am a gracious host to my guests. Tell me how to conduct my life and how to spend (my money)." The Prophet replied: "Give (regular charity) out of your property, for truly it is a purifier, and be kind to your relatives and acknowledge the rights of the poor, neighbors and (those in need who seek your help)." - Fiqh-us-Sunnah, Volume 3, Number 3

ON LOOKING AFTER ORPHANS

It is related by Sahl ibn Saad (R.A.) that Rasullullah Muhammad (PBUH) said "Whoever supports an orphan from among his own or any other family, he will be as close to me in Heaven as these fingers are close to each other." Sahl (R.A.) says that Rasullullah (PBUH) made a motion of his index and middle fingers (while he said this) and there was only a little space between the two.

Forthcoming Events

Shortlisting of candidates for interview	2nd July 2010
Notification of candidates for interview	15th July 2010
Awards, Career Guidance/Interview of 2011 Recipients	1st August 2010
Ramadhan Appeal	15th August 2010
Award letter to selected candidates	30th November 2010
GCE 'O & 'A/L' Seminars	Not yet decided

Conclusion

We are confident that our proven strategy, the dedication of the Exco and the support of our members will continue to drive us to our goal of helping our community in Educational and Social advancement.

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(3 Years)	- SL Rs. 72,000	(US\$ 630)
(2 Years)	- SL Rs. 48,000	(US\$ 420)

AND THE LAST WORD IS ALL PRAISE BE TO ALLAH , LORD OF ALL THE WORLDS

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