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- 158 members conferred with the prestigious FCA designation -

Olst October 2018: The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka (CA Sri Lanka) conferred the distinguished Associate Chartered Accountants (ACA) designation to 327 new Chartered Accountants, enabling them to take over the reins of the business world, and steer it successfully with their unique and perceptive skills.

The 327 new Chartered Accountants received their membership at the annual convocation of the Institute on 01st October 2018, which was held under the patronage of Mr. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce, who was the chief guest, while Mr. Ranel Wijesinha, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka, was the guest of honour.

During the convocation, 158 existing members of the institute, were conferred with the prestigious Fellow Chartered Accountant (FCA) status, elevating them to the highest stratum in their professional careers.

Issuing a congratulatory message, Minister Rishad Bathiudeen said that Sri Lankan Chartered Accountants are reputed both at a local and international level, and as members of CA Sri Lanka, the integrity they demonstrate is widely known. II commend the Institute for propagating the importance of this qualification in every part of Sri Lanka, thereby affording the opportunity to the youth in the country, both rural and urban, to realise their professional dreams, while commanding local and international recognition and respect.

Speaking at the convocation, President of CA Sri Lanka Mr. Jagath Perera said that the Institute takes great pride in producing world class Chartered Accountants, who are known as a brand of unique and versatile professionals with the ability to successfully steer businesses both nationally and internationally.

 $\square$  Whether you are a member just entering the accountancy profession or an experienced member, you are expected to deliver a service of distinction, which you need to ensure is up to date and is in line with the latest standards and regulations. To continuously progress in your professional role, you also need to update your skills and knowledge to remain relevant. Because, it is with knowledge, skills and experience will you have the ability to convert challenges into opportunities and continue to be an integral part of not just the organisation, but also the profession, all while serving your country. $\square$  he said.

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Chairman of the Member Relations Committee Mr. Sanjaya Bandara said that Chartered Accountants bear a great responsibility towards its profession and nation. Therefore I call on our new members to bear this in mind when performing their professional duties. A he said.

Mr. Bandara said that he was certain the new members will play an important role in helping propagate the importance of the accounting profession. He also urged the new fellow members to continue playing an influential role, all while safeguarding CA Sri Lanka] s impeccable standing in the finance world.

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Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka Mr. Ranel Wijesinha conferring the FCA designation

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Secretary to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce Mr. Ranjit Asoka conferring the ACA designation to a new Cha

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Minister of Industry and Commerce Mr. Rishad Bathiudeen conferring the ACA designation to a new Chartered Accourt

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CA Sri Lanka President Mr. Jagath Perera conferring the ACA designation to a new Chartered Accountant.

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Chief Guest - Mr. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce addressing the event.