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The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka in keeping with its role as one of the country's largest tertiary education providers successfully spearheaded a series of seminars under its "Sisunena" programme in its continuing endeavor to enlighten and expand the knowledge of students in the commerce stream.

The seminar series delivered by a panel of experts washeld across various parts of the country covering the south, north, east and even the commercial capital of Colombo targetingGCE Advance Level students in the commerce stream.

The seminar delved in detail on the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards that are applicable for the G C E Advanced Level examination and also the A/L Accounting Model Paper prepared by the Institute.



Due to the topical subjects covered in the seminars, the demand for these seminars is constantly increasing and the Institute has taken steps to cover most schools located in every province across the countrythis year.

The most recent "Sisunena" seminar was held in Ratnapura Districtin collaboration with the Zonal Department of Education, Ratnapuraon 23rd February 2012at SumanaBalikaVidyalaya, Ratnapurawith an impressive participation of over 500Advanced Level students on Leases, Decisions on Investments, Marginal Costing, and Capital Investment Appraisal Techniques.

The lecture was delivered by renowned lecturer proficient in the subject, namely Mr. Saman Bandara, Chartered Accountant, Senior Lecturer of the University of Kelaniya.

Through the "Sisunena seminar series, students are not only given the necessary psychological boost necessary to face the examinations with confidence but the seminars are also a platform to these students encouraging and edifying them to choose their line of profession wisely.

Mr. Wasantha Kumara, Additional Director of the Zonal Education Department, Ratnapuraemphasized in his speech to the students that at a time when the world was facing various forms of crises from global financial meltdowns to many other issues, chartered accountants were still in high demand both locally and globally and this was one profession which commands an impressive level of prestige the world over.

He further emphasized that students who follow chartered accountancy at the CA Sri Lanka had the advantage of being knowledgably equipped both practically and theoretically, apart from the general knowledge gained which is required to

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survive in today's competitive business context.

"Chartered Accountants who are members at the CA Sri Lanka also now have the option of obtaining membership from the prestigious Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (ICAEW) following a memorandum signed between CA Sri Lanka and ICAEW," Mr. Saman Bandara added.

He added that through the education gained at the Institute, reaching the highest echelon in the corporate world was not an impossibility as an impressive number of chartered accountants today hold high-end positions in the corporate world in the likes of CEO, CFO, Finance Director and Director, Managers and many other senior level positions in the management level.

Mr. Bandaraconcluded by saying that students should not waste their precious years in confusion but should instead consider a career path in the most sought after profession in the world today, which guarantees a job placement in any part of the world.

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