

PROPOSED EVENTS CALENDAR 2019

No.	Project Name	Project Date	Project Promoter/organizer	Description of the Event
01	Duruthu Perahera 2019	17 th to 19 th January 2018	Sri Kelaniya Raja Maha Viharaya, Kelaniya, Sri Lanka	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Duruthu Perahera is one of the most culturally glorious celebrated by devotees annually during the month of January.● This event is primarily focused on showcasing the unique culture and heritage of Sri Lanka.● This event will consist of three processions which will happen at night on three consecutive days.● Many tourists and locals arrive to watch the parade since it is held in a suburb of Colombo.● The Perahera is broadcasted via local and international media.

02	Ironman 70.3 Colombo 2019	24 th February 2019	Pro-Am Serendib (Pvt) Ltd 0777397072 0772121266 info@proamserendib.com www.proamlk.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The IRONMAN 70.3 Colombo - which is a qualifying round for triathletes to participate in the IRONMAN World Championship 2018 in France. The event is scheduled to be held on 24th February 2019 with a 1.9km sea swim, 90km bike ride and a 21.2km run – all to be completed by a triathlete within a 7-hour period. In addition, 2 other events – IRONKIDS (to be held the day before) and TEAM events will be held. ● The IRONMAN ® Triathlon Series of events is the largest participation sports platform in the world. Recognized for excellence through distinguished events, world-class athletes and quality products. IRONMAN has a history of over 37 years. It is the #1 User based sports brand in the world (<i>Global Triathlon Website</i>) with 260 events across 44 countries. ● The largest mass participation Sports
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				<p>Tourism event ever witnessed in Sri Lanka with the arrival of over 600 International athletes and a total of 2368 (with Family & Friends) arriving for the event from 63 countries.</p>
03	Navam Perahera 2019	19 th and 18 th of February 2019	<p>Tel:0112327084, 0112435169 gt@gangaramaya.com www.gangaramaya.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navam Maha Perahera happens to be the most colorful and prestigious Buddhist cultural pageant held in Sri Lanka. Navam Maha Perahera is celebrated once in a year. Navam Maha Perahera is one of the most important religious and cultural events in Sri Lanka. • Millions of people witness this Navam Maha Perahera event every year including an estimated 10,000 tourists who land in Colombo during Navam Maha Perahera event. • The highlight of this festival is the colorful elephant pageant when the streets of Colombo transform under the weight of 100 decorated elephants. The Gangaramaya Temple, located at Hunupitiya by

				<p>picturesque Beira Lake is the venue of Navam Maha Perahera festival where all the action takes place. The inaugural parade is attended by over 1000 performers and school children who wave colorful flags on the way.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Giving a befitting company to the procession, there is percussion bands, conch shell blowers, stilt-walkers, flutists and drummers who fill the air with sound and music.
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04	Reid Amazons- 2 nd Edition	23 rd to 31 st March 2019	Tel: 0114706400 No.130/ Highlevel Road/ Colombo 06. Email:cdctrv@connai ssance.lk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Raid Amazons is a multi-sport adventure event exclusive for daring adventurous females which has become a hallmark international event in tourism destinations. ● A large number of teams in smaller groups take part in massive adventure challenge such as Orienteering, Mountain Biking, canoeing, Riding, Running, Archery, Treasure Hunting etc in the competition to test the survival of the fittest. ● 2nd edition of Raid Amazons will take part from the 23rd to 31st March 2019 in the Passikudah, Thoppigala & Kalkudah areas.
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05	Navy Cup 2019 Jet Sky Championship	06th and 7th April 2019	Sri Lanka Navy Headquarters Anura Danapala 0777265438 anuradanapala@gmail.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● This is a major water sports event in the sports calendar of SLN, which is also opened to the general public and will certainly attract many competitors and water sports enthusiasts, as well as focus the attention of foreign tourists to the city of Colombo.● In addition to Jet Ski racing, other internationally popular Water sports such as Rowing, Canoeing, Water Skiing, Thundercat racing and Dragon boats may also be included at this year's championship which will bring more glamour to the event and an added attraction to competitors as well.● These events have also given SLN a unique opportunity to showcase its prowess, expertise and skill in this arena backed by extensive resources and the deep commitment towards upholding and promoting water sports in Sri Lanka
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further, this will also be an enticing factor to attract foreign participation and undoubtedly a golden opportunity to promote this picturesque venue as an international race track for water sports.
06	World Surfing League 2019	final week of June 2019	<p>Mr. Steve Robertson Tel: 61407706874 srobertson@worldsurfleague.com</p> <p>Mr. Hiran Ukwatte Tel: 0776584400</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The World Surf League would welcome a high-level professional surf event at Arugam Bay in Sri Lanka 2019. • This event promoting professional surfers as world class athletes • Celebrating the history, elite athletes, diverse fans and dedicated partners who together embody professional surfing.

07	The Amateur Golf World Cup	Cancelled	<p>LeClub Golf International Bruno LELIEUR 123, Rue du Chateau 92100 Boulogne – Billancourt blelieur@leclub-golf.com Tel.: +34 660 481 827</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● .Created in 2014 by LeClub Golf, The Amateur Golf World Cup aims to be one of the most important Amateur Tournament of the World. ● LeClub Golf is a subsidiary of the UGOLF Group, the European leader in Golf Course Management with 54 Golf in management in France and Spain. ● The 2019 Final is organized in close collaboration with Crystal Holidays with the aim of producing the most significant impact on golf tourism as a focus of tourism development in Sri Lanka ● 20-24 Countries to Be in International Finals at Shangri-La Hambantota September 16-21, 2019 ● France, Belgium, Ireland, Portugal, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Poland, Czech Republic, Reunion, French Polynesia, Morocco, Pakistan, Japan, United States, New Caledonia,
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				<p>India and of course a team from Sri Lanka.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In total nearly 120 people attending the event and nearly a million golf players will be impacted by the event since the start of the national qualifications.
08	Wadduwa Poson Maha Perahera 2019	09th June to 2nd July	<p>Sri Samudrarama Viharaya</p> <p>Contact Details - K.D. Chanrapala 0382232564, 0382235816</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This festival will give an opportunity to highlight the culture to the tourists and it will enhance the economic and the social development of the locals. ● High quality publicity on Sri Lanka culture and heritage ● Develop religious and research tourism using vibrant cultural diversity of Sri Lanka.

09	West Asia Baseball Cup	1st to 6th July 2019	SLABSA Contact Details - *0771813729/ 0777344303 * priyantha@srilankabaseball.lk *No.22, Austin Place, Colombo 08.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The West Asia Baseball Cup in 2019 which is planned to held at Japan Friendship Baseball Stadium with participation of 275 international participants. • The West Asia Baseball Cup in 2019 is the first ever largest international baseball competition in Asia.
10	Kandy Perahera	5th to 14th August 2019	Sri Dalada Maligawa Telephone- 0812232816 Email: info@sridaladamaligawa.lk www.sridaladamaligawa.lk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kandy Esala Perahera is one of the oldest cultural and religious festivals in the world which is taking place annually in Kandy. • Kandy Esala Perahera is one of the main tourist attracting events of the year attracting over 200,000 tourists every year as the city of Kandy is a recognized World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

11	Adventure Racing Championship	Cancelled	Mr.Craig Bycroft Tele: 061419427244 craig@arworldseries.com www/arworldseries.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Adventure Racing World Championship (ARWC) is a landmark global adventure race since the year 2001. Each year world's best endurance athletes participated the event which held in different countries with adventure landscape, with their friends, families and international Media.• Sri Lanka is selected to be held the ARWC – 2019 considering the world class adventure landscape in the country.• Approximately 500 participants will participate the event around from 30 countries.• The event concludes total 600km of race over a period of two weeks including trekking, mountain biking, pending, roping, navigation etc.
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12	Christmas Fest 2019	20th to 22nd December 2019	<p>SLTPB and tourism institutions under the Ministry of Tourism Development, Wildlife and Christian Religious Affairs</p> <p>Tel:0112426800 Email:info@srilanka.travel www.srilanka.travel</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SLTPB together with other tourism institutions under the Ministry of Tourism Development, Wildlife and Christian Religious Affairs will be organizing the 'Christmas Fest'. • With the month of December being the peak month for tourist arrivals and festivities, the idea behind this is to portray celebrating the food, culture, shopping, and entertainment at one venue. • Christmas Fest became one of the signature events that was held in a glamorous and grand scale during the past three years, with the participation of outpouring numbers of both local and foreign fun enthusiast. • Due to the winter season, most foreign tourist visit Sri Lanka to celebrate the festive season of Christmas where they would engage in various activities of the Christmas Fest will be available for tourists and
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				locals to enjoy days leading up to Christmas
13	Matilda - The Musical 2019	Postponed	<p>Cinnamon Hotels & Resorts</p> <p>Contact Details - *Dileep Mudadeniya *dileep@cinnamonhotels.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Matilda - The Musical Event 2019 would be the first international scale theatre production. ● The artists for this Matilda event are from United Kingdom and focused audience will be practicing from Sri Lanka, India, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Maldives. ● Matilda - The Musical is the multi award - winning musical from the Royal Shakespeare Company, inspired by the beloved book by the incomparable Roald Dahl. ● Winner of over 85 international awards, including 16 for best musical, Matilda continues to delight audiences in London, and is touring the UK and Ireland throughout 2018-19

14	CITES	Postponed	<p>Dr. Sevvandy Jayakody</p> <p>citieslk2019@mbs.gov.lk</p> <p>0112679651</p> <p>Official web page - https://citescop18.gov.lk/</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CITES (The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) is an international agreement between governments. Its aim is to ensure that international trade in specimens of wild animals and plants does not threaten their survival. ● It will be hosted from 23rd to 3rd June 2019 at BMICH with the participation of 183 countries representing 4500 delegates all over the globe. ● As this is an event under United Nations, there will be international NGO and many international media supposed to be here for the conference. Therefore, CITES - CoP 18 will be the largest event ever to be held in recent history of Sri Lanka.
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15	The Ultimate Skyfall	Postponed	<p>Multinet (Pvt) Ltd.</p> <p>Contact Details Dinesh Gardiarachchige *https://www.skydive.srilanka.com/ *info@multinet.lk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Multinet (Pvt) Ltd, a leader in the provision of consultancy services spanning a diverse range of sectors is taking the initiative to provide an extraordinary event in skydiving in Sri Lanka. ● The selected location being one of the scenic places in the country, the
16	Sancharaka Udawa 2019	From 21 st to 22 nd June 2019	<p>Sri Lanka Association of Inbound Tour Operators</p> <p>Mr. Nishad Wijethunga Chairman Organizing Committee</p> <p>Tel: +94 11 2421745/6 Fax: +94 11 2449325 E-mail: slaito@chamber.lk Web: www.slaito.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide opportunities for those less exposed tourism related enterprises to create a platform for networking and building vital links with the tour operators and other stakeholders for the entire wider spectrum of the tourism industry. ● Create a platform for people out of the tourism industry to enter by being able to network and build vital links with government departments and local service providers ● Provide opportunities to industry stakeholders

				<p>with minimum exposure, to mainstream tourism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduce new niche products and services to the Tourism Industry
17	Cinnamon Future of Tourism Summit 2019	23 rd September 2019	<p>Cinnamon Hotels & Resorts</p> <p>Dileep Mudadeniya Head of Brand Marketing,</p> <p>Contact – dileep@cinnamonhotel.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tourism, which accounts for a significant percentage of the country's gross domestic product, has suffered as tourists from around the world cancelled hotel and flight booking fearing the current situation ● Cinnamon Future of Tourism Summit will be the platform to be a part of the strategy to discuss an effective recovery plan and position this event as the key recovery thought leadership initiative for the industry.
18	Celebrate Colombo	From 3 rd August to 10 th August 2019	<p>Colombo Fashion Week</p> <p>Fazeena Rajabdeen Email: fazeena@colombofashionweek.com T:P: 077 – 2373366</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Celebrate Colombo, which has the potential to become a key tourism product that attracts and engages global media and travelers, by using Sri Lanka's creative industries as the 'experience' hook.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It is planned to showcase Colombo as a vibrant and creative city, thus increasing the experience that the city offers to its travelers. ● Change the international perception and image of Sri Lanka and its capital Colombo as being safe enough to host a week long creative festival
19	Sri Lanka International Open Scrabble Championship 2019	From 13 th -15 th September, 2019	<p>Scrabble Federation of Sri Lanka</p> <p>41/1, Senanayake Avenue, Nawala, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Tel: 0112805937</p> <p>Mr. K. Mahendran - president - 011 2805937; 077 927 4433</p> <p>Mrs Priya Fernando - secretary 076 850 7189</p> <p>Sri Lanka Scrabble League</p> <p>Ms. Ruvini Fernando - secretary 072 072 6688</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lanka Scrabble Federation in association with the Sri Lanka Scrabble League, are Planning to host Sri Lanka International open Tournament for the ninth time in the country. ● The tournament will be WESPA accredited and will attract the participation of top rated players from many WESPA member nations such as Pakistan, Thailand, India, Malaysia, UK, Kenya, Nigeria, Australia, the UAE and Qatar where it will be publicized. ● The Tournament will comprise 24 games conducted over 3 days, assuming the

				participation of roughly 100 participants.
20	Golf Staysure Tour (European Senior Tour) Sri Lankan Golf Championship 2019	Not Fixed yet	<p>Staysure Tour</p> <p>Simon Harris Commercial Manager</p> <p>+44 (1344) 840518 sharris@europeantour.com www.europeantour.com</p> <p>David MacLaren Head of the</p> <p>+44 (1344) 840400 dmaclaren@europeantour.com www.europeantour.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Staysure Tour, formerly known as the European Senior Tour, is a men’s professional golf tour for members aged 50 and older. In 2018, the Staysure Tour Schedule will feature a minimum of 18 tournaments across four continents. • This event is the 3rd largest professional golf tour in the world through its membership of the International Federation of Professional Golfers’ Association Tours, is the only recognized European - Asian professional golf tour in European & Asia. • This unique feature positions the Golf European Senior Tour at the pinnacle of professional golf in Europe & Asia organizing its events with official World ranking status. • Sri Lanka could be positioned as a

				destination for recreational activities through sports tourism by attracting and providing opportunities for such activities.
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***Note - Above postponed events dates will be noticed in the near future.**