



Media Release

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Colombo:

'Capital Market Masters', the inter-capital market school club quiz competition for cluster 02, successfully concluded in Anuradhapura.

- The winning Provincial school team was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/-
- J/Kokuvil Hindu College from the Northern Province emerged as the overall cluster 02 winner as well as the Northern Province winner.
- Royal Central College Polonnaruwa and Ku/Maliyadeva Balika Vidyalaya secured Provincial titles in the North Central Province and Northwestern Province, respectively.

'Capital Market Masters', the inter-capital market school quiz cluster 02 competition of stage 01, organised by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (SEC) and the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the Presidential Secretariat, was successfully completed in Anuradhapura recently. Over 200 individuals attended the event, where schools representing established Capital Market Clubs in North Province, North Central Province, and Northwestern Province, competed.

J/Kokuvil Hindu College from the Northern Province emerged as the overall cluster 02 winner as well as the Northern Province winner. Royal Central College Polonnaruwa and Ku/Maliyadeva Balika Vidyalaya secured Provincial titles in the North Central Province and Northwestern Province, respectively.

Addressing the students at the event, Senior Manager, External Relations at the SEC, Ms. Sheena Goonaratna stated, "We believe that an informed investor is an empowered investor—one who can navigate the complexities of financial markets, identify opportunities, and effectively mitigate risks. As the regulator of the securities market, the SEC is mandated to ensure that investors are well-informed and protected in this dynamic environment."

She further said, "Financial literacy is a vital life skill, and it is crucial to teach school children about the importance of savings, investments, and the role and benefits of the capital market. Educating children about the capital market from a young age will equip them with the skills and

knowledge to invest wisely throughout their lives, increase their confidence in financial concepts, and enhance their decision-making abilities.”

A group of organisations have come together as sponsors to make the Capital Market Masters quiz competition a reality.

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With the conclusion of the 2nd provincial competition, attention now turns to Cluster 03, where the best and brightest of schools in the Central province will gather to compete for the title of Capital Market Masters.

Photographs



Royal Central College Polonnaruwa, Provincial winner of the North Central Province



Ku/ Maliyadeva Balika Vidyalaya, Provincial winner of the Northwestern Province



J/ Kokuvil Hindu College, Provincial winner of the Northern Province

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