

Annual Report 2018/19



Sinthanai
foundation

About Us

Simthanai Foundation is a charity registered in the United Kingdom and Sri Lanka. Our aim is to bridge the disparity in access to knowledge for those who are underprivileged and build an intellectually wealthy society.

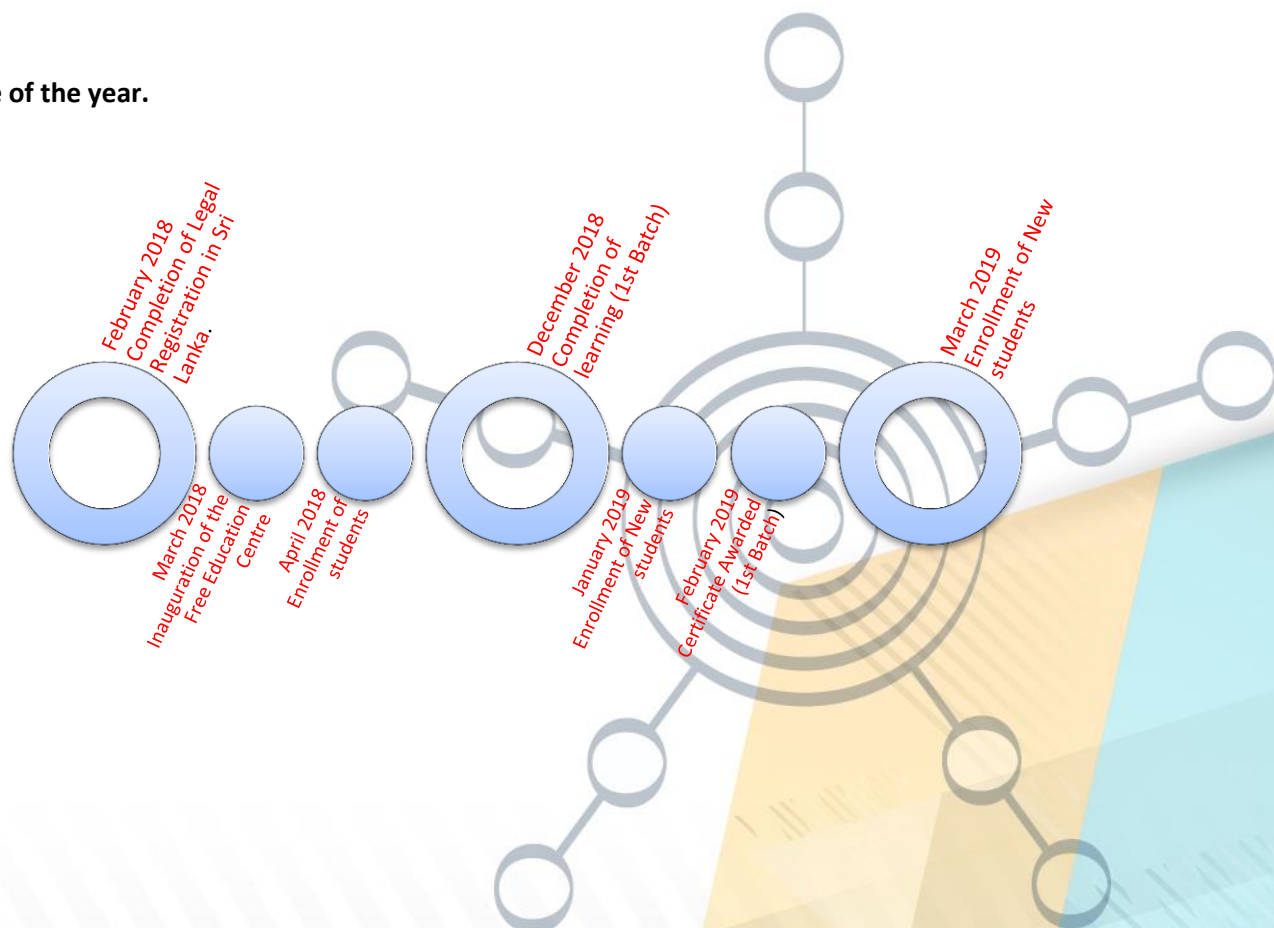
Brief history of the year

Simthanai Foundation which was initially only registered in the United Kingdom as charity gained its legal status as a not for profit organisation in Sri Lanka after being registered under the relevant Act in this financial year.

Following the registration in Sri Lanka, the foundation established its Free Education Centre in Kotagala in the Hill Country region of Sri Lanka and started to serve the people of the plantation community.

The centre started to provide English Language Lessons, Computer Training and General Knowledge Development programmes for free. A varied range of beneficiaries including school children of GCE O/L , GCE A/L grades, school leavers and working communities such as teachers and trainee nurses benefitted from these programmes. Due to the success and the demand of this initiative, an expansion of this programme has been considered and plans are being carried out to execute it in the financial year of 2019/20.

Time line of the year.



Our Programmes at the centre

53 participants joined the following programmes and benefited as a result.

Spoken English Development Programme

- English is vastly used as the official language of the world. Therefore being able to speak in English has become an important skill to lead a life.
- However the people in the rural areas are stuck without exposure to the English speaking world. Even the schools do not focus on the spoken aspect of the language. This is mainly due to lack of resources.
- At *Sinthanai Foundation* we have designed and created an opportunity to develop the spoken English skill. We use various methods, including recognised spoken English programmes, Live interaction with people around the world using modern technology, direct interaction with volunteers, class room based practical sessions and so on.

Computer Literacy

- A computer of some sort has now become an essential aspect of life. Yet there are people in the remote parts of the world who do not have the opportunity to use computers. Hence, further development of their knowledge is also limited.
- At *Sinthanai Foundation* we teach computer skills and provide the facilities to access computers with internet connections for free. This enables the school children to do their research work with regards to their curriculum and the adults to access information to advance their knowledge and further in life and to gain employment.

Financial Statement.

This project of *Sinhamat Foundation* was initiated with a capital investment of SLR 500,000.00 which was fully used to establish the Free Education Centre at Kotagala in Sri Lanka. And the brief financial statement for the year is as follows. We take this opportunity to thank all our donors.

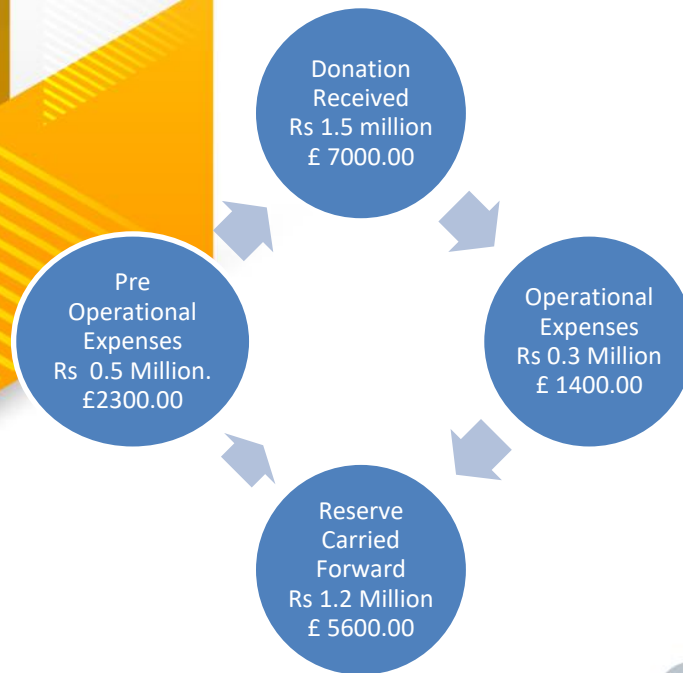


Photo Gallery

Activities at the centre during the year.

