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Anthropology

The Lost Dynasty : Uncovering Sri Lanka's Secret Past / Nishantha Gunawardena
Farmington : Traces of Eden Foundation, c2007
251 p : ill. ; 22 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
978-0-9769972-1-4
0-9769972-1-5
\$ 39.95

[An immense rectangular rock rises up some 200 meters abruptly on the dry zone plains between Anuradhapura and Kandy. The name of this marvel, Sigiriya or Lion Rock, comes from the lion staircase leading to the palace complex on the summit. The lion was once seen from the north as a gigantic bright colored figure towering against the granite cliff inspiring awe. The northern entrance was through the open mouth of the lion. All that remains now are the two colossal paws indicating the sheer enormity of the figure. The Sigiriya rock is surrounded by gardens with their brilliantly arrayed vegetation, pathways, and water foundations. Two crocodile infested moats and three ramparts protect the citadel. The water garden, moats, and ramparts, all based on an echo plan duplicating the layout and design on either side, display the grandeur and complexity of urban-planning of ancient Sri Lanka.]

Sinhala Inscriptions in the Colombo national museum / Edited by Sirimal Ranawella
Colombo : A publication of the department of national museums, c2005
xxxvi, 127 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Includes index.
Spolia Zeylanica : Bulletin of the National Museums of Sri Lanka : No. 42
955-578-020-X
ISSN : 1391-7803
\$ 15.00

[From Preface : There are 38 sinhala inscriptions belonging to various periods of our history preserved in the stone room of the Colombo National Museum. Some of those records have already been edited and published in various journals by the present writer as well as by several other scholars, such as H.W. Codrington, H.C.P. Bell, D. M. de Z. Wickremasinghe and S. Paranavitana. Yet there are a good number of them standing there waiting publication. The present writer brought this to the notice of the present Director of the National Museums, Dr. (Mrs.) Nanda Wickramasinghe, and she promptly made arrangements to issue the next volume of the Spolia Zeylanica, that is volume 42,

containing all the published as well as unpublished Sinhala inscriptions, which are in the Stone Room of the Colombo National Museum.]

 Polonnaruva Civilization / H.T. Basnayake, Uda Hettige
 Colombo : Godage International Book Publishers, c2007
 ix, 260 p. ; ill. ; 22 cm.
 Includes bibliography and index.
 955-20-7475-4
 \$ 24.00

[From Preface : This book is a result carried out to investigate all the aspects of Polonnaruva Period. Though there are several publications of Polonnaruva yet there is no single work which covers all the aspects of the Polonnaruva civilization. this period is very important in the history of the island for it represents remarkable landmark in the political and cultural pattern of the island. The traditions and conventions existed and followed during the Anuradhapura period began to disappear and unfunctionable.]

 Bibliography on Palm Leaf Manuscripts in Sri Lanka / Compiled by Documentation Services Division
 Sri Lanka : National Library and Documentation Centre, c2007
 x, 77 p. ; 28 cm.
 Includes index.
 978-955-8383-42-1
 \$ 15.00

Architecture

Bawa and Beyond : Readings Sri Lanka's Modern Architecture / Tariq Jazeel
 Colombo : International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2007
 32 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
 ICES Lecture / Discussion Series
 \$ 5.00

 The Architect 50 : 1957-2007 commemorative volume of The Sri Lanka Institute of Architects
 Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 xv, 327 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
 978-955-658-089-1
 \$ 80.00

[The book contains references to several institutions and when the same institution is mentioned at several places I have resorted to the use of abbreviations. These are given in a separate list of abbreviations. It is to be noted that any reference to the institute of Architects prior to 1976 is given as CIA (Ceylon Institute of Architects) and after 1976 as SLIA (Sri Lanka Institute of Architects)

The book covers the period after 1957 in great detail but refers to a time span of nearly 30 centuries during which time the country was called by several names: Lamka, Taprobane, Serendib, Ceylon etc. But I have used Sri Lanka throughout.]

Art

Ridivihara : The Flowering of Kandyan Art / SinhaRaja Tammita – Delgoda
 Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2006
 xxvii, 175 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
 Includes bibliography and index.
 955-113-72-X
 1. Buddhism – Sacred Places
 \$ 70.00

[This work traces the art and history of the temple from the 2nd Century BC to 1815 AC. Over the centuries the vihare has become a veritable treasure trove of Sinhala art, painting, architecture, sculpture, ivory carving and metalwork. The greater part of what remains belongs to the late medieval era in Sri Lanka's history, known today as the Kandyan period (1592-1815). It is the product of a brilliant period in Sri Lanka's recent past, a flowering of art religion and culture which took place during the reign of King Kirti Sri Rajasinha (1747-1782). This renaissance was pioneered by two great monks, the Sangharaja , Saranakara and his close disciple and deputy, the High Priest of Ridi Vihare, the Venerable Siddartha Buddharakkita, who was to become the first Mahanayake of Malware. From this time onwards, Ridi Vihare has been of the great temples of the Kandyan Kingdom and over the course of the last two hundred and fifty years three of its High Priests have become the supreme heads or Mahanayakes of the Malwatte Nikaya, one of the two great monastic orders of Kandy. Its current High Priest has just become the new Mahanayake of Malwatte, the chief of the order.]

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Images of Celestial Bodies in Sri Lanka Art / Chandra Wikramagamage
 Colombo : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 80 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
 Includes bibliography and references.
 978-955-30-0484-0
 1. Painting – Sri Lanka
 \$ 32.00

[From Preface : Celestial bodies have been conceptually personified as anthropomorphic and semi anthropomorphic deities. These deities have been divided into three classed namely Planetary Deities, Deities of Signs and Constellations. Sri Lankan Buddhists used these deities to adorn the image houses of Kandyan Period (18th Century) and continued up to this century. Sculptures of these deities with some others have been used in Bali rituals, a folk healing system in Sri Lanka. Present study deals with both types of the images of folk deities.]

 Senaka / Harsha Bhatkhal
 Colombo : Vijitha Yapa Publications and Popular Prakashan Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, c2008
 x, 177 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
 978-955-1266-93-6 (Vijitha Yapa Publications)
 978-81-7991-252-2 (Popular Prakashan)
 \$ 80.00

[From Foreword :
 The contemporary art of Sri Lanka reflects the influence of art traditions of India and Europe. These art traditions are noticeable in the works of the artists belonging to the '43 Group. These is quality and freshness in their paintings due to the exposure to these art traditions. These artists displayed spontaneity in expression and integrated idion

seen as a departure from the style of their predecessors. Senaka Senanayake belongs to a younger generation of artists widely acknowledged as possessing a keen sense of line, colour, and composition. His imaginative skill has helped him to take a new direction, breaking into new grounds of creativity.]

Economics & Development Studies

Privatization in Sri Lanka : The Concept and Current issues / Rajiv Herath Meewakkala and MM.J.W. Herath

Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake Pvt. Ltd., c2007

99 p. ; 21 cm.

978-955-658-063-1

1. Privatization – Sri Lanka

\$ 12.00

Indigenous knowledge systems and sustainability : An appraisal towards resource development / T. Vasantha Kumaran...(et al.)

Colombo : Kumaran Book House, c2007

125 p. ; 21 cm.

978-955-659-077-3

\$ 15.00

[This book deals with various facets and dimensions of indigenous knowledge systems along with two case studies done in India. The chapter on Indegenous knowledge systems give the definition of the concepts and its various characteristics drawn from literature pertaining to the subject. Indigenous knowledge in the western system and the nature of transmission of indigenous knowledge are some of the other aspects dealt within this book. The case studies give a deep understanding of bio-diversity, food security and rain water harvesting in selected areas of India in the context of indigenous knowledge systems. The book also discuss the process of mobilizing vulnerable communities in Sri Lanka using participatory framework of development. One of the significant features of this book is its focus on the principles and application of Participatory Rural appraisal in resource management and sustainable development which is useful for students engaged in relevant field activities.]

Rural – Urban Linkages in regional development : The experiences of North Central Sri Lanka / R.M.K. Ratnayake

Kotte : R.M.K. Ratnayake, c2007

141 p. ; 21 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

978-955-50519-0-3

1. Regional Development – Sri Lanka

2. Economic development – Sri Lanka

3. Rural Economics

4. Urban Economics

5. Urbanization

\$ 15.00

[Contents :

1. Introduction

2. Theoretical perspectives on Regional development and rural-urban linkages

3. The North central Province

4. Regional development and the role of Urban centres

5. Land Tenure, Land use and Labour
6. Linkages between Urban centres and their Hinterlands
7. Conclusion.]

 Beyond twenty Million : Projecting the population of Sri Lanka 2001-2081 / W. Indralal De Silva

Colombo : Institute of Policy Studies, 2007

v, 52 p. ; 30 cm.

Research Studies : Demographic transition and Pension Series No. 6, March 2007

978-955-8708-49-1

1. Population – Sri Lanka

\$ 18.00

 Sri Lanka state of the economy 2007

Colombo : Institute of Policy Studies, c2007

v. ; 25 cm

978-955-8708-52-1

1. Economy- Sri Lanka

\$ 40.00

Environment

The Sinharaja Guidebook : For Eco-Tourists / S. Vigallon

Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2007

72 p.: ill.; 22 cm.

Includes Plates

978-955-658-114-0

\$ 24.00

[Information on the amazing variety of plants and animals harbored within this World Heritage Site.

Facts about the rich human culture that has been a part of the forest's history for generations.

Details about conservation issues currently facing the Sinharaja Reserve and what is being done to ensure its survival.]

 An illustrated guide to the Butterflies of Sri Lanka / Rajika Gamage

Baddegama : Rajika Niroshan Gamage, 2007

264 p.: ill.; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

\$ 39.50

[An Illustrated Guide to the Butterflies of Sri Lanka by Mr.Rajika Gamage describes the total number of butterflies of the Island with their colorful drawings, common names, scientific names, families, distribution and host plants including 74 complete life cycles showing their eggs, Larva, pupa stages and related flora through informative manner. Therefore, anybody who is interested on butterflies and their behavior, this work could be very helpful as a field guide book.]

Birds of Sri Lanka : A Pictorial Guide and Checklist / Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne

Colombo : Jetwing Eco Holidays, 2007

64 p.: ill.; 30 cm.
955-1079-07-8
\$ 19.50

[Sri Lanka has 444 species of resident and migrant bird species recorded on the island. The country has one of the richest densities of bird species per square kilometer in the world. This checklist reflects the latest taxonomic thinking and will be an essential reference list to anyone interested in birds of the Asian region. Birders in need of a tick list for a trip list or for maintaining their Sri Lankan life list will also find the checklist essential.

The checklist is liberally illustrated with photographs of 281 species of birds. Therefore it also doubles up as a simple pictorial guide which will appeal to beginners and school children.

The checklist has been prepared by Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne one of Sri Lanka's best known birders, who has many years of experience in the field. The checklist combines usefulness with a strong visual appeal and will be an important addition to the library of birdwatchers.]

The Sri Lankan Elephant : Its Evolution, Ecology and Conservation / Mangala de Silva and Padma K. de Silva
Colombo : WHT Publications (Private) Limited, c2007
xiv, 278 p.: ill.; 28 cm.
978-955-9114-39-0
\$ 45.00

[Despite its central role in the culture of Sri Lanka, where it doubles as an icon of biodiversity conservation, scientific knowledge of the island's elephants remains sparse and scattered in the scientific literature. While it is widely recognized that elephants are dwindling in number, their conservation has hitherto been motivated more by public sympathy for the plight of these magnificent giants than by scientifically designed conservation interventions. In The Sri Lankan elephant: its evolution, ecology and conservation, Mangala and Padma de Silva present a cogent argument that the survival of this keystone species can be assured only through an understanding of its evolution, history, ecology and behaviour. The text presents a synthesis of scientific information on the Asian elephant, analyses the threats faced by its Sri Lankan population and proposes conservation options. The elephant is seen in the perspective of both its landscape and the socio-economic context of Sri Lanka. The Sri Lankan elephant is essential reading for everyone interested in biodiversity conservation in the island, and especially the fate of its fast-disappearing elephants.]

History

Memoirs of a Cabinet Secretary : Who served six Prime Ministers / Bernard Percival Peiris
Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2007
276 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
Includes index.
978-955-573-628-2
\$ 18.00

[This volume presents the fascinating and insightful facets of the life of a remarkable "colonial mandarin", a cultured gentleman. The author was one who with a commendable sense of professionalism zealously guarded the keys to the cabinet office

of the first six prime ministers of Ceylon (as it was then known). With great subtlety these hidden personae of key players on the political stage of this period.]

 Senator Tiruchelvam's Legacy : Selected Speeches of and Tributes to Senator Murugeysen Tiruchelvam QC, former Minister of Local Government and Solicitor-General of Ceylon / Edited by Ram Balasubramaniam
 Sri Lanka : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2007
 328 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
 978-955-1266-97-4
 \$ 19.50

 How Schoolbooks destroyed Buddhism in Sri Lanka / L. Jayasooriya
 Colombo. : S.N., 2006
 ix, 57 p. ; 22 cm.
 955-96745-3-6
 \$ 12.50

 International McCarthyism : The case of Rhoda Miller de silva / Judy Waters Pasqualge
 Colombo : Social Scientists' Association, c2008
 vi, 462 p. ; 22 cm.
 Includes bibliography and index.
 978-955-1772-09-3
 \$ 29.95

[Contents :
 Part I – "Outside In"
 Chapter 1 : Deportation
 Chapter 2 : Writing in the Cold War
 Chapter 3 : The Reaction of McCarthyism
 Chapter 4 : The Word of New York
 Chapter 5 : A Citizen of Sri Lanka
 Chapter 6 : An Outsider Comments
 Chapter 7 : Conclusion
 Part II – Selected Writings.]

 The Play is the Thing / Henry Jayasena
 Sri Lanka : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2007
 326 p. ; 22 cm.
 978-955-1266-67-7
 \$ 18.00

Autobiography of a leading Sri Lankan Theatre Personality

 A.M.A. Azeez : A Profile (Commemoration of the 34th Death Anniversary on 24th November, 2007)
 Colombo : Dr. A.M.A. Foundation, c2007
 59 p. ; 22 cm.
 \$ 12.00

[Contents :
 Preface
 Childhood Memories – A daughter remembers
 Kalmunai Era – Contribution to Eastern Development 65 years ago

Remembering A.M.A. Azeez
 Dr. A.M.A. Azeez of Sri Lanka – a Muslim Leader of the 20th Century.]

My Life / R.I.T. Alles
 Sri Lanka : S.N., 2007
 258 p. ; 22 cm.
 \$ 30.00

Autobiography of a leading Sri Lankan Educator

"...then you 'll remember me" / Cherise Pereira
 Pannipitiya : Stanford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 143 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
 978-955-658-105-8
 \$ 9.00

[This account is not written as a direct commentary on life in a Ceylonese Burgher household from the late '30s onwards, but one can read in it of the relatively carefree days that many Sri Lankan Burgers, both those still here, as well as those domiciled back then.]

The Buddha and Emperor Aurelius and Other Essays / M.B. Mathmaluwe
 Colombo : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 viii, 328 p. ; 22 cm.
 978-955-30-0199-3
 \$ 18.00

The 32 essays presented in this collection have all been published in the country's newspapers over a long period of time, as Feature articles. Some of them shed new light on conventional or, even perennially controversial themes

Rienzie T. Wijetilleke : The banker the man the legend / Gaston de Rosayro
 Colombo : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2007
 xxi, 182 p. ; 25 cm.
 978-955-1266-92-9
 \$ 35.00

The Hermes Adventure / Rex Morgan
 Manly : The Runciman Press, c1985
 288 p : ill. ; 22 cm.
 0-85890-015-7
 \$ 25.00

[The book tells a story more exciting and more moving than fiction and is filled with photographs spanning the life of the ship and the recent expedition and, of course, reproduces for the first time in book, form, all seven of Charles Morgan's unique photos of the sinking taking place.]

Making the connection : SLT and 150 years of Telecommunications in Sri Lanka
 Colombo : Sri Lanka Telecom Limited, c2007
 160 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
 Includes bibliography and index.
 978-955-9394-01-3

\$ 75.00

[Sri Lanka's premier telecommunication provider keeps evolving and re-defining itself to keep abreast of the constant and rapid changes in the industry and ensure the Sri Lankans benefit from the cutting-edge technologies developed worldwide. Sri Lanka Telecom provides the primary infrastructure for the nation's urban and rural communication networks, giving more people access to telephony, email and Internet services, enabling business at the 'speed of thought' and strengthening international connectivity to link us to the rest of the world.]

Law

Matrimonial Property and Gender Inequality : A study of Thesawalamai / Kamala Nagendra

Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt)Ltd., 2007

492 p. ; 21 cm.

978-955-658-070-9

\$ 29.50

[Essentially, this book is a study of matrimonial property viewed from the perspective of gender equality in relation to one of the legal systems prevailing in Sri Lanka, namely Thesawalamai. Yet the themes explored and the conclusions that the writer comes to results in the work becoming far more universal in nature. The writer Mrs.Kamala Nagendra must be commended for this in-depth analysis of matrimonial property in Thesawalamai in a historical and comparative perspective, Clearly, this book is a valuable contribution to Sri Lankan legal literature.]

--The Protection of Culture, Cultural Heritage and Cultural Property / A.R.B. Amerasinghe

Colombo : The National Trust-Sri Lanka, and Sarvodaya Vishva Lekha Publishers, Ratmalana, 2006

300 p. ; 21 cm.

955-599-472-2

\$ 30.00

[Contents:

Preface

Foreword by Dr.Roland Silva

I The Protection of Culture, Cultural Heritage and Cultural Property-Keynote Address by Dr. A.R.B. Amerasinghe at the Annual General Meeting of the International Council of Monuments and Sites Sri Lanka, on 2 November 2005 (Revised March 2006)

II. The Antiquities Ordinance (as amended and consolidated)

III. The Eppawela Case-The complete Judgment of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka.]

Development, Social Citizenship and Human Rights: Rethinking the Political Core of an Emancipatory Project in Africa / Michael Neocosmos

Colombo : International Centre for Ethnic Studies, 2007

61 p. ; 22 cm.

ICES Occasional Paper Series

\$ 5.00

To Hang or Not to Hang? : The Trial of Pauline de Croos / Tyrone Fernando

Colombo : Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2007

70 p. ; ill. ; 21 cm.

978-955-1266-80-6

\$ 9.00

[This is the fascinating story of one of the most sensational trials ever in Sri Lanka. At dawn on 8th February 1965, an eleven year old boy was found dead at the bottom of a church well in Ratmalana. Amidst public clamour to avenge the boy's death, Pauline de Croos, a 20 year old convent-educated girl was arrested for murder. Her trial took 10 days in 1968. The Chief Justice who presided at the trial had to caution the Jury to protect themselves against prejudice. There was also evidence of an affair between the girl and the victim's father which turned out to be irrelevant, and the Chief Justice had to warn the Jury that she was "not being tried for that conduct". She was found guilty of the murder of the boy by a 6 to 1 verdict of the Jury and was sentenced to death. In Appeal however, one Judge had "no doubt that prejudice would have intermingled with reasoning."]

 In the Pursuit of Democracy in Post-Colonial Sri Lanka: Local Human Rights approaches to Transitional Justice

New York : The International Center for Transitional Justice (ICT), 2006

102 p. ; 19 cm.

955-99796-0-4

\$ 8.00

[This report does not aim to be a comprehensive synthesis of all such civil society efforts, but it discusses some key initiatives that have been undertaken by a diverse array of groups utilizing a range of different methodologies and inspired by different goals and visions of the past and future. This extended essay looks at four initiatives, the work of Kalape Api, the Citizen's commission on Border villages, the Women's Peace Mission, and the National Vision document. It looks at what these initiatives attempted to achieve, the challenges that they encountered and what their experiences say about the conditions within which human rights work in Sri Lanka is conducted.

We believe that the issues highlighted in this essay will be critical in thinking about future transitional justice initiatives in the country.]

 Our Common Heritage? : Farmers' Rights to Plant Genetic Resources in Sri Lanka

Colombo : Law and Society Trust (LST), 2007

viii, 69 p. ; 20 cm.

955-1302-09-5

\$ 8.00

[Table of Contents:

Law and Policies in Sri Lanka relating to Protection of Plant Genetic

Resources / Ruana Rajapakse

Protecting Farmer's Rights: Historical, Contemporary and International Perspectives /

G.L Anandalal Nanayakkara

Issues faced by Sri Lanka in relation to plant genetic resources and rights of farmers /

Samantha Gunasekara

 Company Law in Sri Lanka / Arittha R.Wikramanayake

Colombo : Arittha R.Wikramanayake, c2007

389 p. ; 22 cm.

978-955-99828-1-4

\$ 95.00

Linguistics

A Dictionary of Sri Lankan English / Michael Meyler
 Sri Lanka : Michael Meyler, 2007
 xxxv, 294 p. ; 25 cm.
 978-955-50542-0-1
 \$ 29.50

[This dictionary contains approximately 2,500 examples of words and expressions which are characteristic of the English spoken in Sri Lanka. It will be of particular interest to Sri Lankan students and teachers of English, to foreigners living in Sri Lanka, and to anyone with an interest in the many international varieties of the English language. Every example is compared with "Standard" British English, backed up with a pronunciation guide, examples of usage, quotes from published books, illustrations, and further notes. There is also an introduction outlining the main features of Sri Lankan English.]

Literature

The Serendib spirit / Gaston de Rosayro
 Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, c2007
 124 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-573-684-8
 \$ 9.00

Collection of articles on what it is to be Sri Lankan

The Mystique of Sigiriya : whispers of the mirror wall / W.J.M. Lokubandara
 Colombo, Sri Lanka : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 172 p. : ill. ; 25 cm
 978-955-30-0610-3
 \$ 25.00

All in all Mr. W.J.M. Lokubandara's translations of Sigiri Poetry, and his critical comments on them display the focused scholarship, literary sensitivity and poetic imagination that one has come to associate with the writer.

The rolled back beach : stories from the tsunami / Simon Harris and Neluka Silva
 Colombo, Sri Lanka : Inscript (Pvt) Ltd., c2008
 98 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-8943-05-2
 \$ 9.00

Three star K and other plays / Seneka Abeyratne
 Sri Lanka : Seneka Abeyratne, c2008
 338 p. ; 21 cm
 978-955-50200-1-5
 \$ 12.50

'Winner of the 2006 Gratiaen Prize'

Dragons in the Wilderness / Jean Arasanayagam

Colombo, Sri Lanka : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 368 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-30-0144-3
 \$ 19.50

[Contents:

Part One 1890's : the beginners
 Part Two : a woman's Map
 Part Three : the convent
 Part Four : The Duet, 1938
 Part Five : The London Diaries, 1938
 Part Six : The return voyage 1938-1939
 Part Seven: the expedition, 1982
 Part Eight : the continental saga]

 A Selection of modern Sri Lankan poetry in English / Edited by Rajiva Wijesinha
 Kurunegala : International Book House (Pvt) Ltd., c2006
 xiii, 236 p. ; 22 cm
 955-8975-33-8
 \$ 9.00

 A Selection of modern Sri Lankan Short Stories in English / Edited by Rajiva Wijesinha
 and Dinali Fernando
 Kurunegala : International Book House (Pvt) Ltd., c2005
 271 p. ; 22 cm
 955-8975-32-X
 \$ 9.00

[A selection of modern Sri Lankan Short Stories in English is an expanded version of the
 Selection of Sri Lankan Short Stories in English published in 1992 by the English
 Association of Sri Lanka.]

 The Fairy dance / Brandon Ingram
 Sri Lanka : Bay Owl Press, c2007
 140 p. ; 21 cm
 978-955-1723-01-9
 \$ 12.00

[The fairy dance explores the lives of these children in an attempt to expose a shocking
 reality that is so conveniently forgotten. A story of pure fiction, based on real facts that
 thin the dimensions between worlds and open doors that would honestly rather be shut.]

 The hour : when the moon weeps / Liyanage Amarakeerthi; Translated by Kumari
 Goonesekere
 Sri Lanka : Vijaya Yapa Publications, c2007
 xii, 124 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-1266-95-0
 \$ 12.00

'A Gratiaen Trust Award Winner 2006 – Best Translation'

 Tranquil footsteps : the story of a herd of elephants in the Uda Walawe National park in Sri Lanka / Srilal Miththapala
 Pannipitiya : Stamford Lake (Pvt) Ltd., c2008
 145 p. ; 21 cm
 978-955-1131-87-8
 1. English fiction
 \$ 12.00

[Tanquil Footsteps is a novel about nature and wild life, with the elephant as it's central theme. It is the story of an elephant family living in the Uda Walawe National Park, told through the eyes of the female matriarch elephant. It vividly traces the life experiences of the herd, through it's colourful, and sometimes 'humanistic', elephant characters. The book encompasses a wealth of information about elephants, wildlife, and the Uda Walawe National park of Sri Lanka, in general. The author's deep rooted interest and love for wildlife and elephants is abundantly manifested through the matriarch;s story of her life.]

 Nothing grows under the Banyan Tree and other stories : daily news Anthology of Short Stories 2007 / Edited by Malani Govinnage
 Colombo : The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd., 2007
 174 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-9034-59-9
 \$ 12.00

 Martin Wickramasinghe : Selected short stories / Translated by Ranga Wickramasinghe Rajagiriya, Sri Lanka : Sarasa (Pvt) Limited., c2007
 128 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-8415-93-1
 \$ 9.00

 Muvadevdavata : the story of the King Makhadeva / Translation by Vini Vitharana
 Colombo : Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., c2007
 xiv, 162 p. ; 22 cm
 Includes Bibliography
 955-20-9783-5
 \$ 24.00

 Rainbows in Braille : a collection of short stories / Elmo Jayawardena
 Sri Lanka : Elmo Jayawardena, c2007
 168 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-50650-0-9
 \$ 12.00

 Trapped and Other tales / Premala de Mel
 Sri Lanka : Vijitha Yapa Publications, c2007
 316 p. ; 22 cm
 978-955-1266-96-7
 \$ 14.00

Maps

Sri Lanka Road Atlas
 Nugegoda : Sarasavi Publishers, 2007
 v, 59 p.: ill.; 30 cm.
 Includes Maps and Index.
 978-955-573-620-6
 \$ 19.50

[This is an atlas of travel information of Sri Lanka organized in sections listed in the contents page. Also a comprehensive index (pages 47 to 59) of the place names, feature names and street names are shown in the Road map and Colombo city and suburbs map (pages 1 to 40). Layout of Road map pages is given in page iii. Overlaps of maps about 25 mm (minimum) are kept in between margins of adjoining pages for convenient reference while traveling.

As far as possible, only standard abbreviations have been used. For additional abbreviations see page 35. Bold types are used to draw attention to something of special interest of importance. Mostly natural features are shown in italics.]

Official Publications

Census of Public and semi-government sector employment 2006 : Preliminary Report
 Sri Lanka : Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Planning, 2007
 vii, 52 p. ; 30 cm
 978-955-577-583-0
 \$ 15.00

Report of the Sri Lanka labour force survey : special survey 2005- August
 Sri Lanka : Department of Census and Statistics, 2006
 50 p. ; 30 cm
 955-577-546-X
 \$ 10.00

Food balance sheet 2002-2006 (Revised Series)
 Sri Lanka : Department of Census and Statistics, 2007
 26 p. ; 30 cm
 978-955-577-611-0
 \$ 10.00

External trade statistics Sri Lanka 2007 (January-June)
 Sri Lanka : Statistics Division, Department of Sri Lanka Customs, 2007
 xxxiii, 554 p. ; 30 cm
 \$ 90.00

Census of Population and Housing-2001 – Sri Lanka : Ampara District report
 Sri Lanka : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005
 ix, 615 p. ; 30 cm
 955-577-538-9
 \$ 75.00

Census of Population and Housing-2001 – Sri Lanka : Nuwara Eliya District report
 Sri Lanka : Department of Census and Statistics, 2005
 ix, 701 p. ; 30 cm
 955-577-539-7
 \$ 75.00

Statistical compendium Eastern Province
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This preliminary publication for Ampara district has been compiled from the reports obtained from the District based on summaries prepared by enumerators and supervisors. A Final detailed information will be disseminated after the computer processing of questionnaires.

This preliminary release gives some basic information for Ampara district, such as population by divisional secretary's division, urban/rural population, sex, age (under 18 years and 18 years and over) and ethnicity. Data on displaced persons due to conflict or tsunami are also included. Some important information which is useful for regional level planning purposes are given by Grama Niladhari Divisions. This enumeration is based on the usual residents of households in the district. These figures should be regarded as provisional.]

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The chapters of this volume will show how difficult it has been to look for cures for Sri Lanka's ills. Many of these issues are dealt here-some have separate chapters devoted to them-along with the complex question of religion and the state where the divisions are as much, if not more, among the Sinhalese as they are among the Sinhalese and others.]

Nonviolent Coexistence : Moving communities beyond fear, suspicion and the weapons of war / Edited by Kumar Rupesinghe and Gayathir Fernando

Colombo : The Foundation for Co-Existence (FCE), 2007

xlix, 305 p.: ill.; 23 cm.

978-955-1358-14-3

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[“This book was inspired by the work of the Foundation for Co-Existence (FCE), which has, over the last five years, worked in the war-torn areas of the Eastern Province of Sri Lanka, Where Muslim, Tamils and Sinhalese have lived for generations in relative harmony and coexistence. The war disrupted all this and today these communities live in

fear and distrust. The FCE has through its field operations, with a staff of over 150, sought to mediate, resolve disputes and promote coexistence between these communities. This work we came to the realization that they require inspiration and courage in the face of massive disruption of communal life brought about by the war. This book is intended to serve as an inspiration and guide to these communities and to all those who are striving to build a people's movement in the midst of violence and intimidation."]

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The great son of the Sakya Clan of Northern India, Gothama the Buddha, using his most superior wisdom (Yatha Bhutha Nana Dassana), found the answers to these questions and explained them to the world. This is introduced as Buddha-Dhamma.]

 Amavatura : A Flood of Nectar / Gurulugomi; Translated into English by Udaya Prasanta Meddegama
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