#### **2021** BUSINESS DIALOGUE

# THOUGHTS FROM THE TRAILBLAZERS

#### MR. CHAMINDA WIJESINGHE SENIOR LECTURER HEAD-DEPARTMENT OF DATA SCIENCE

I am glad that I was with NSBM Green University from its very beginning and am more than proud to be experiencing its success today. I believe that NSBM created a new culture in the higher education landscape in Sri Lanka giving hope and confidence to the youth and their parents about a brighter future.

A University will exist for centuries on this earth, be cherished by many people for its existence and contribute towards the creation of knowledgeable individuals. However, a journey so great begins with many challenges and hurdles to overcome. Within the last five years, NSBM has demonstrated that the impossible is possible if you have enough perseverance and determination to focus on your targets and goals. We are constantly thriving to create new knowledge and opportunities for the development of the country's economy. On this memorable day, I wish NSBM the strength to give birth to thousands of youth who are capable and willing to make others' lives better!





#### MR. MOHAMED SHAFRAZ SENIOR LECTURER HEAD-DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

On the day that NSBM

commemorates its fifth anniversary, I am delighted to pen down this message to share my thoughts as an employee involved in academics and operations since its inception. As a member of the NSBM team, I am so proud and delighted to see the progress and achievements of the institution. If someone asked me the reason for success, I would confidently say that it's solely due to the visionary leadership of NSBM's Vice Chancellor, Prof. E A Weerasinghe. His determination, risk-taking ability, guidance, and ability to foresee the future made NSBM a pioneer of higher education and a role model for others to follow. We are delighted to witness the success of the graduates we produced in the past through the positive feedback received from employers. I am so humbled and privileged to be a part of the NSBM Team and its journey since inception.



#### BRIG. SANATH WICKRAMASINGHE

#### SENIOR LECTURER DEPARTMENT OF OPERATIONS & LOGISTICS

It is my great pleasure to congratulate all the staff of NSBM Green University as we celebrate our 5th anniversary. Along the 5 years at NSBM, I have had the privilege to serve as a Senior Lecturer to lecture in the university's Business, Engineering, and Computing faculties.

NSBM Green University has become a highly recognized hub of the higher education sector as an institute that takes the responsibility of nurturing eligible students who did not have an opportunity to pursue their university education in Sri Lanka. By now, NSBM has become highly recognized for its innovative approaches in education and for producing skilled, passionate, and confident professionals to the industry.

A big thank you to our visionary leader, Vice Chancellor, Prof E.A. Weerasinghe, for creating this magnificent university fully equipped with all necessary facilities. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the academic and non-academic staff and wish the university continued success in the years to come.

### ANNE PATHIRANAGE

#### SENIOR LECTURER DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING & FINANCE

NSBM introduced a "Novel Standard to Basic Measurements"; most importantly, it is a place that nurtured thousands of students in the country. Creating a remarkable turning point, NSBM has added a different flavor to the Sri Lankan higher education system by striving towards challenges, with the pure purpose of upgrading the higher education to a globally recognised level. To serve this purpose, students and other stakeholders are provided

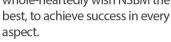
with state-of-the-art facilities to experience the essence of the teaching and learning process, to seek knowledge, and to acquire skills, ensuring the production of masterful personalities than a mere graduate with theoretical knowledge. This journey was not smooth, but it has always been true to the promise of being the next era in the arena of higher education in Sri Lanka. Wishing the best of luck to mother NSBM: the place where I grew and keep growing!



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#### MANOJA WEERASEKARA SENIOR LECTURER HEAD-DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND SYSTEMS SCIENCES

I joined NSBM in the year 2013, and I am proud to say that this is my 8th year at this prestigious institution. I believe NSBM is not just another university or academic institution, but one of the best places for our younger generation to pursue their higher education and secure their dreams. Each of us was challenged throughout this journey, yet motivated to bring the best out of us for the betterment of our students. NSBM's empowering nature helped me grow as an individual by opening up many windows of opportunity and introducing a new network of friends for life. At the 5th anniversary of the NSBM Green University, I whole-heartedly wish NSBM the bast to achieve success in event







#### CHATHURIKA RANAWEERA ASSISTANT REGISTRAR FACULTY OF COMPUTING

NSBM grew; so did I. Taking humble steps from 2012, I have been a part of this big family since its inception. Over the years, not only did NSBM change the lives of thousands of youth, but it also changed the higher education landscape of the entire country. NSBM transformed higher education into an affordable yet high-quality experience.

I have seen countless students and parents walking in through our

gates carrying dreams and ambitions in their heart; it has been an absolute pleasure to have assisted the realization of them. Seeing the fulfillment of our students' dreams 3 or 4 years down the lane is a priceless happiness that no words can express. I have given my best to NSBM so has NSBM. I am proud to be a part of this exemplary journey of NSBM and more than excited for its bright and promising future.

#### NADEE GUNATHILAKA ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

#### FINANCE, RECOVERY, AND COLLECTION

I feel deeply connected to the 5th anniversary of NSBM Green University. Looking back at its history, NSBM Green University has always overcome its challenges and made the best of its opportunities. It is time for all of us to make renewed efforts to propel the University further into the future. Our anniversary is not only about sharing 5 years of accomplishments; it is also about recognizing the tremendous growth of our university and the dedication that has driven us towards success.

I am proud to have been a part of NSBM's journey for the entirety of 5 years, and look forward to being a part of NSBM Green University in the future as well. I wish NSBM Green University every success and may our university continue to lead the way in quality education for many decades to come!



## YASHODHA WETTASINGHE

#### MANAGER HR

"Teamwork makes the dream work"; that's how we achieved the dream of NSBM Green University 5 years ago. Being a member of the NSBM team from its inception, I'm deeply honored and humbled to pen down this note on its 5th anniversary. NSBM has been a shelter for thousands of students and hundreds of staff members over the years and contributed to uplift their lives immensely. We, as employees, are very much fortunate to experience a world-class university working environment while improving ourselves both professionally and personally. I wish NSBM a remarkable journey in the coming years and more strength to serve the nation with pride.





#### DILRUKSHI ABHAYAWARDHANA PROGRAMME MANAGER

It has been an incredible 9 years of working in this environment with enrolling the students in different generations. NSBM students have been blessed to study in this wonderful environment with an international university experience. It is an exciting time for NSBM. Since its inception in 2012, we have been growing our programs by leaps and bounds, achieving our goal of advancing the business, computing, engineering and science disciplines and educating students to become highly skilled professionals. NSBM has become a renowned higher education institute in Sri Lanka in less than a span of 10 years under the visionary leadership of Prof. E. A. Weerasinghe, vice chancellor and founder of NSBM, and we as a nation is very grateful to him for his continuous dedication and leadership.

## SENANI KARUNARATHNE

Ever since its inception, NSBM always strived to provide an opportunity for its students to maximize their potential to add value to the society. For the past 5 years, NSBM has given its students education, experience, cultural awareness, and understanding through integrative study, research, immersive education, and exposure to the world. There's no doubt in my mind that NSBM plays a significant role in educating the young generation in both national and international arenas in the hopes that they may live full and honest lives with dignity, quality, and respect. I wish to extend my best wishes to the NSBM for a continuous journey towards success in the years to come.

