

Lanka IOC Organises Free Health Screening Camp for Residents of Akurana, Kandy District.

COLOMBO, MARCH. 12, 2016: Lanka IOC PLC, acknowledging its responsibility towards the society conducted several Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives under its theme 'WE CARE' with several noble programs. In addition to a series of welfare programs including assistance for elders' homes, renovation of healthcare centre, donation of ambulances, wheelchairs and English education for underprivileged children, Lanka IOC also organised free health camps at different locations all over the Country.

In the recent past, Lanka IOC organised health camps at Katugasthota, Ratnapura, Negombo, Dematagoda, Badulla, Vavuniya and has now organised yet another "Free Health Screening Camp" at the Lanka IOC Fuel station M/S S.H.L Abdul Carder & Son, Matale Road, Akurana, Kandy District. The programme began with a religious ceremony with a vow to ensure health screening and treatment for maximum number of people in the country and was inaugurated by Minister M. H. A. Haleem who is the Minister for Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs,

Minister Haleem praised Lanka IOC for the initiatives taken through the 'WE CARE' projects facilitated by the Company. This initiative received a remarkable response and appreciation from all those who patronized the 'Free Health Screening Camp'. A total of 949 people were screened at the event, in which 626 opted for an eye check-up and 323 underwent general health check-up. Amongst those who availed themselves for the check-up, 552 were recommended for bifocal spectacles whilst 69 were recommended for cataract surgeries – all treatments are provided free of charge by Lanka IOC. In the last one year more than 3500 people have undergone such health check-ups in various camps organised by Lanka IOC.

This medical camp solicited the experience of a team of 14 medical experts from "HelpAge Sri Lanka" including 05 doctors, a nurse, a pharmacist, 02 optometrists and support staff to provide a professional service to the patients. For ensuring proper diagnosis, sophisticated medical equipments were used to screen patients for diabetes, blood pressure, vision and other diseases. Wherever critical illness was diagnosed, the patients were referred to hospitals for further investigation and treatment.

"MD Lanka IOC; Mr. Shyam Bohra conveyed that the Company, as a corporate policy, places emphasis on social responsibility and giving back to society. Our public welfare projects target the deprived and deserving, regardless of any demographic differences. During the current financial year, through the 'WE CARE' initiative, we sponsored free health care to underserved rural families in the vicinity of Lanka IOC fuel stations."

One more free medical camp is scheduled in March 2016, followed by a series of such health camps in the next financial Year.