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Videos Featuring Inspiring Female Graduates

As part of the Gender Action Plan (GAP) of the Science and Technology Human Resource Development (STHRD) Project, a set of videos have been prepared with the aim of featuring inspiring female graduates. Female students are traditionally under-represented in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) stream both internationally and in Sri Lanka, and the STHRD Project aims to increase the number of female students taking up technology and engineering programmes and persuade them to seek careers in non-traditional sectors.

The purpose of developing the videos is to create a platform to showcase the views of female students enrolled in non-traditional areas within the STEM stream at an undergraduate level. The videos produced elaborate on why the students have chosen to follow education in the respective subject stream, what they have learnt, how the learning content is/will be useful, and what challenges they may have experienced and how they have overcame the challenges. The videos all conclude with asking the selected students how they expect to engage in a career in their selected area of expertise with an emphasis on being female.

The interviews presented here showcase the views of female undergraduate students enrolled in non-traditional areas of study at the Technology Faculties at the Universities of Rajarata, Sabaragamuwa, Kelaniya and the Engineering Faculty at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura.

you are kindly requested to upload the videos enclosed on the University websites, University Facebook pages. The Zonal Education Department is requested to share the video content at

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secondary schools with technology streams when conducting outreach activities to encourage higher enrollment in STEM subject streams. The videos are shared with the National Institute of Education, as the apex advisory body responsible for the development of general education in Sri Lanka in the interest of ensuring wide circulation among prospective students.

Accordingly, you can download the videos from the links below.

- 1. https://sthrd.gov.lk/gap/interviews-with-students
- 2. https://sthrd.gov.lk/gap/videos-interviews-with-students

Thank you

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