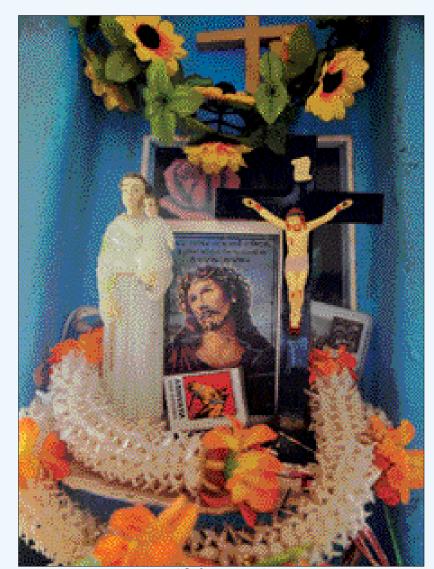
Multi Day Fishing in the rough sea







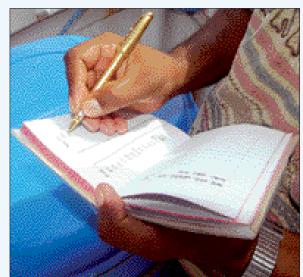
Faith for protection



Heavy yield



Loading and unloading



Income over expenditure-the fuel costs



A Multi- Day craft



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long Multi-Day fishing craft named "Chamika Duwa" (Daughter Chamika-TR-321) went to sea during this off season. Last Sunday it returned to the Negombo fisheries harbour with a catch of between one and a half and two tons of Tuna fish. "Daughter Chamika" was built two years ago at a cost of Sri Lankan Rs. 2.5 million and registered under the number TR-321 which was given by the Fisheries Harbor Ministry. Five Sri Lankan fishermen are employed and they travel more than 100 nautical miles for two weeks in to the deep-sea carrying seven naval meters long 250 large hooks to catch Tuna fish. Good or bad weather, they go out to sea with their faith in God and contribute a significant amount to the national income. The Security Forces are planning to register all fishing craft with a new visible number due to security reasons. This is to safeguard the fisher folk in the Island.

