

Abans sponsors ANCL Aloka Pooja in Mihintale

The ANCL organised the Posen Aloka Pooja at Mihintale for the fifth consecutive year from June 17 to 19, in collaboration with the Ceylon Electricity Board. The Aloka Pooja was sponsored for the fourth consecutive year by Abans Limited. Thousands of pilgrims from all parts of the country converged on Mihintale during these three days to participate in religious observances at the place where Sri Lanka received Buddhism more than 2,500 years ago. Several other events took place in and around Mihintale during the three-day period. The Government intends to establish a Mihintale Preservation Fund to improve facilities in the 400-acre sacred area and bring it up to the standard of a national heritage site.



The Sacred Relics being placed for the Mihindu procession



A section of the Maha Sangha at the ANCL Aloka Pooja



Minister Duminda Dissanayake, ANCL and CEB officials participate in religious observances on the first day of the Aloka Pooja



Minister Duminda Dissanayake, ANCL and CEB officials switch on the illuminations on the first day of the Aloka Pooja

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