

Highest honour for exporters

Thirty nine prominent exporters of Sri Lanka received Presidential Awards at a grand Award Ceremony held at the President's Secretariat on Tuesday. Awards were presented by President Mahinda Rajapakse. Akbar Brothers Ltd was crowned Sri Lankan Exporter of the Year 2006. Seylan Aquatics Pvt Ltd, Euro Scan Exporters Quick Tea Pvt Ltd were among those who won special awards respectively for Best Small and Medium Scale

Enterprise, Best Sri Lankan Brand Exporter and the Exporter to the highest number of destinations in 2006. There were 15 awards for non traditional products and services which went to Akbar Brothers, Consolidated Business Systems, Ravi Industries, Ceylon Biscuits, Link Natural Products, Aquamarine International, Daya Apparel, Blue Diamond Jewellery Worldwide, D.Samson Industries, Seylan

Exporters, Art Decoration International, Vechenson Pvt Ltd, Dankotuwu Porcelain, Orient Electric Systems and Asia Bike Industrial Ltd. Award for the Service Provider's to the Export Sector was bagged by Star Packaging Pvt Ltd for Supply of Printed Corrugated Cartons. Another eighteen merit awards were bagged by non traditional products and services

Chairman of Euro Scan Exporters Pvt Ltd and the winner of Best Sri Lankan Brand Exporter Award 2006, Anslam Perera addressing the gathering on 'Quality Exports Through Good Corporate Governance' stated the inculcation of discipline in society with a sense of respect for the comfort of fellow citizens, is an essential element for a harmonious business environment. Stressing on the inadequate literary levels he said inhibition of good discipline in a society with honesty and feeling for others is essential for a stable and progressive economy.



Chairman, Ceylon Biscuits Ltd, Mineke Prasanth Wickramasinghe receiving the award from Prime Minister Ratsasiri Wickramanayaka.



Chairman, Blue Diamonds Jewellery Worldwide Ltd, Dr. Lalith Kotelawala receiving his award from Prime Minister Ratsasiri Wickramanayaka.



Consolidated Business Systems Ltd, Shanthi Wijesinghe



Ravi Industries Ltd, R.R.I. Fonseka



MD, Seylan Aquatics, Chrisantha Alexander



Managing Director, Euro-Scan Exporters Ltd, Anslam B. Perera receiving the award from Prime Minister Ratsasiri Wickramanayaka.



Director, Quick Tea (Pvt) Ltd, Tyeab Akbarally



D. Samson Industries Pvt Ltd, U.U.I. De Silva



Akbar Brothers Ltd, MD Hatim Akbarally



Seylan Exporters Pvt Ltd, MD Sandra Wanduragala receiving the award from Prime Minister Ratsasiri Wickramanayaka.



Chairman, Akbar Brothers Ltd, Abbas Akbarally



Chairman, Aquamarines International Pvt Ltd, N.A.M. Pathirana

Special Award Winners

- Sri Lankan Exporter of the Year - 2006
Akbar Brothers Ltd
- Best Small & Medium Scale Enterprise (SMI) - 2006
Seylan Aquatics Pvt Ltd
- Best Sri Lankan Brand Exporter - 2006
Euro-Scan Exporters Pvt Ltd
- The Exporter to the Highest Number of Destinations - 2006
Quick Tea Pvt Ltd

Non-Traditional Products and Services - Award Winners

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| Tea In Value Added Form | Akbar Brothers Ltd. |
| Agricultural Products | Consolidated Business Systems Ltd |
| Coconut & Coconut Based Products | Real Industries Ltd |
| Food and Beverages | Ceylon Biscuits Ltd |
| Health and Health/Personal Care Products | Link Natural Products Pvt Ltd |
| Fish, Fishery & Aquarium Products | Aquamarines International Pvt Ltd |
| Apparel | Daya Apparel Export Pvt Ltd |
| Diamonds, Gems & Jewellery | Blue Diamonds Jewellery Worldwide Ltd |
| Footwear | D. Samson Industries Pvt Ltd |
| Furniture & Household Textile Products | Seylan Exporters Pvt Ltd |
| Giftware and Handicrafts | Art Decoration International Pvt Ltd |
| Health Based Products | Wellness Pvt Ltd |
| Value added Mineral & Mineral Based Products | Dankotuwu Porcelain |
| Electric & Electronics Products | Orient Electric Systems Pvt Ltd |
| Engineering Products | Asiabike Industrial Limited |

Service Providers to the Export Sector - Award Winners

- Supply of Printed Corrugated Cartons - Star Packaging Pvt Ltd

Non-Traditional Products and Services - Certificate of Merit Winners

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| Tea In Value Added Form | Quick Tea Pvt Ltd |
| Agricultural Products | Imperial Tea Exports Pvt Ltd |
| | K.J.S. Chandimona Ltd |
| | Wetnaka Plantations PLC |
| | Isihara Spice Exports |
| | Adampallegalle & Sons Ltd |
| Coconut & Coconut Based Products | Bio Extracts Pvt Ltd |
| Health and Health/Personal Care Products | Seylan Aquatics Pvt Ltd |
| Fish, Fishery & Aquarium Products | D.M. Industries Ltd |
| Apparel | Super Fine International Garments Pvt Ltd |
| | Multichami Exports Pvt Ltd |
| Chemical and Allied Products | Lanka Wallite PLC |
| Value added Mineral & Mineral Based Products | K.J.K. Lanka Pvt Ltd |
| Electric & Electronics Products | Prithware Capsons PLC |
| Printing & Packaging | Graphpac Pvt Ltd |
| Ship Repairing | Colombo Engineering Enterprises |
| Other Products (Apparel Accessories) | Naturals Exports International Pvt Ltd |

Service Providers to the Export Sector - Certificate of Merit Winners

- Industrial Garment Washing - Prayers Washing Plant Pvt Ltd

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