

Silver Jubilee Celebrations - Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Jaffna

Awareness Walk and Tree Planting Event to mark the Silver jubilee Celebration of Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Jaffna.

The Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS) at the University of Jaffna was established in 1999 as the fifth faculty of the University, under the provisions of the Faculty of Graduate Studies Ordinance No. 3 of 1987. The year 2025 marks the Silver Jubilee of the Faculty, celebrating 25 years of dedicated service in offering postgraduate programmes and research degrees across a wide range of disciplines. Coinciding with the University of Jaffna's 50th anniversary, the Faculty of Graduate Studies proudly commemorates this milestone with its own Silver Jubilee.



To honour this significant occasion, the Faculty and the Alumni Association have organized a series of celebratory events, culminating in a grand Silver Jubilee celebration on the 16th of June at the Kailasapathy Auditorium of the University of Jaffna.



A variety of programs have been planned to mark the Silver Jubilee, including an inter-faculty debate competition, a research conference, and the release of a commemorative souvenir. These events have been coordinated by the Faculty of Graduate Studies in collaboration with the Alumni Association.



As a prelude to the main celebration, an Awareness Walk and Tree Planting event were held on the 25th of May 2025 in the vicinity of the University. These events were conducted under the leadership of the Dean of the Faculty, Senior Professor T. Velnampy. The tree planting ceremony commenced at 7:00 a.m. with the planting of the first tree by the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Sri Satkunarajah, in front of the University's Parameswara Temple.



The Awareness Walk began at the Faculty and proceeded through the main premises of the University of Jaffna, covering Ramanathan Road, Brown Road, the Regional Centre of the Sri Lanka Open University, and the Faculty of Medicine, before returning to the Faculty. Tree planting activities were carried out at key locations including the University's main campus, the premises of the Open University Regional Centre, and the Faculty of Medicine.



Hundreds of participants took part in these events, which saw the enthusiastic involvement of Prof.Sri Satkunarajah Vice-Chancellor, Senior Professor T. Velnampy Dean/Faculty of Graduate Studies, Deans of other Faculties, Professors, Executive Committee of Alumni Association, university officers, and members of the alumni. The celebrations reflected the collective spirit of the University community in honouring this important milestone.



The Silver Jubilee celebrations will conclude with a grand dinner on the 16th of June.