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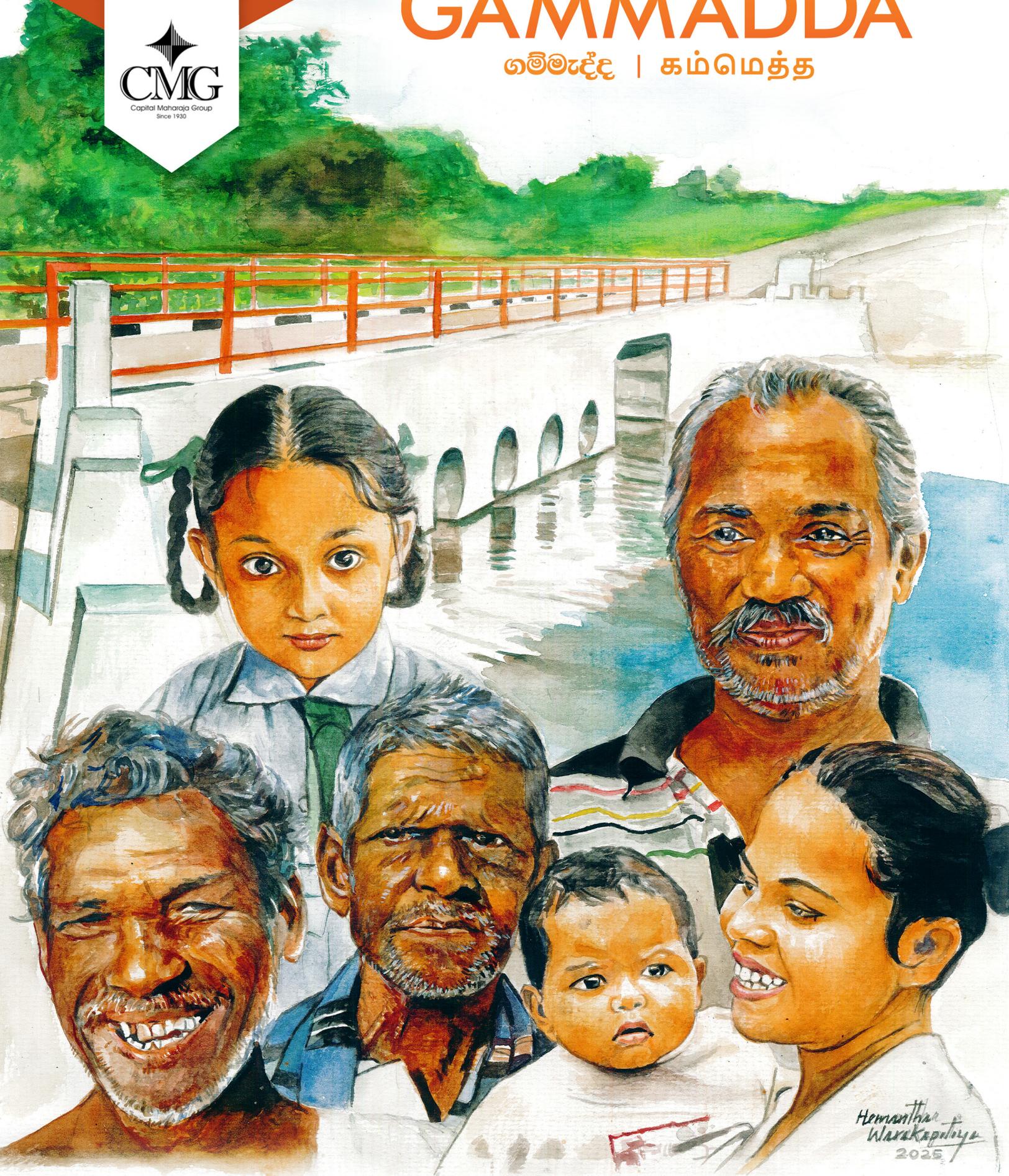
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## Gammadda Bridge: Connecting Lives and Communities

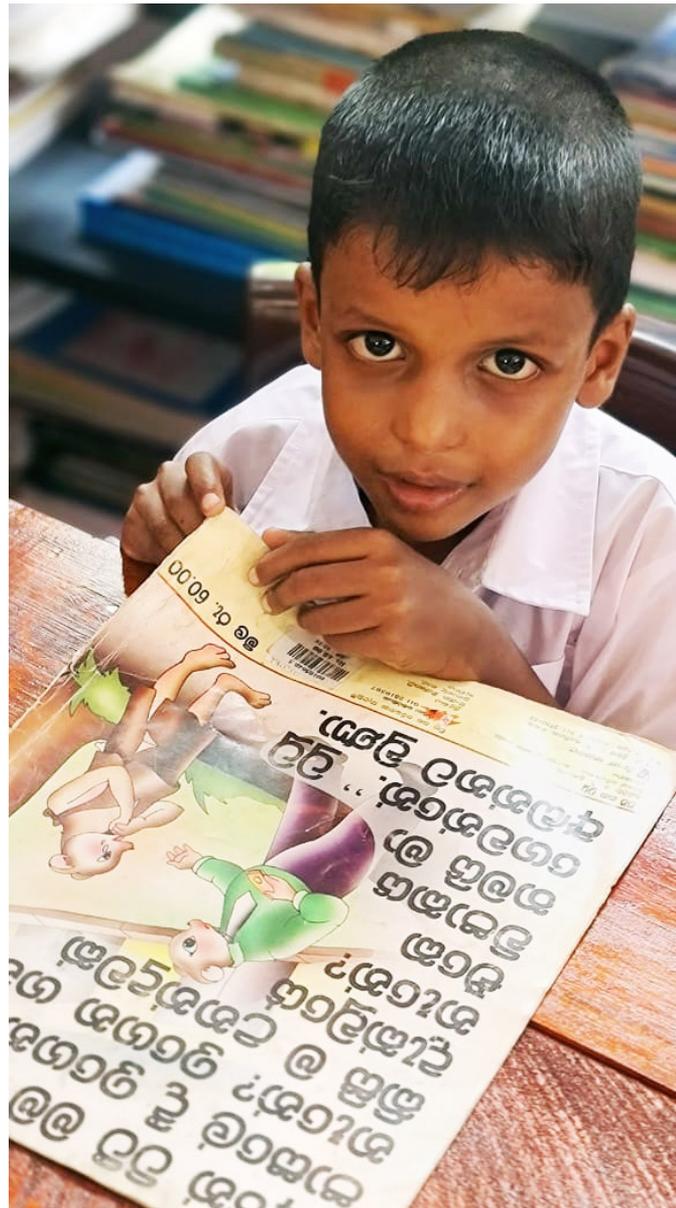
### Project Highlights

- Constructed a bridge connecting three villages, benefiting 600 residents.
- Addressed dangerous stream crossings and improved access to schools and markets.
- Sponsored by Speedmark Transportation Lanka (Pvt) Ltd and inaugurated on November 8, 2024.

**O**n November 8, 2024, Gammadda unveiled a vital bridge across the Oya, linking the villages of Rideemaliyadda, Koleyaya, and Eldeniya in Badulla District. Sponsored by Speedmark Transportation Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, the bridge resolved long-standing challenges for 600 residents, including dangerous crossings during rainy seasons, access to schools, and transportation of farm produce. The project originated from insights gathered during the Gammadda Door-to-Door initiative.







## A Library for Nakiyadeniya Aluthwaththa Sri Gunananda Junior School

On July 5, 2024, Gammadda unveiled a purpose-built library at Nakiyadeniya Aluthwaththa Sri Gunananda Junior School, Galle, fulfilling a dream for its 250 students. Supported by Mr. Vernon Udugampola, founder of the Sylvia Lanka Foundation, the project also benefits over 2,000 students from nearby schools in the Aluthwaththa Education Zone, enhancing access to knowledge and learning resources.

### Project Highlights

- Built a library benefiting 250 students and 2,000 others in the Aluthwaththa Zone.
- Initiated in response to Principal Ven. Mahinda Thero's request.
- Supported by Vernon Udugampola of the Sylvia Lanka Foundation, completed on July 5, 2024.



Galle District





## Helping the Kidney Patients of Anamaduwa Hospital

**G**ammadda renovated the dialysis unit at Anamaduwa Base Hospital, Puttalam, serving over 600 kidney patients. A new building for the water purification plant and essential medical equipment were also provided, benefiting 500 patients daily. Supported by Next Manufacturing Pvt Ltd., the project began with a foundation stone laid on June 19, 2023.

### Project Highlights

- Renovated the dialysis unit and constructed a new building for the hospital's water purification plant.
- Benefited 600 kidney patients and 500 daily patients with additional medical equipment.
- Funded by Next Manufacturing Pvt Ltd, initiated on June 19, 2023.



Puttalam District





## Door To Door: Gammadda Carries Out World Class Survey Across Rural Sri Lanka

In November 2023, Gammadda's 7th Door-to-Door Survey mobilized 150 volunteers across 25 districts to gather data on rural challenges. The survey, supported by the University of Peradeniya, collected data on possible development projects. Using real-time data collection via the Gammadda App, the initiative demonstrated global standards in community needs assessment.

### Project Highlights

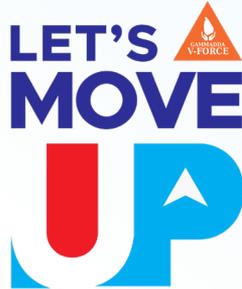
- Teams visited villages across Sri Lanka, uploading data in real-time to the Gammadda App.
- Survey insights were used to prioritize projects and attract donor funding.
- Gammadda gained global recognition for its scientific methodology and efficient execution.







## Gammadda V-Force: Empowering Future Leaders



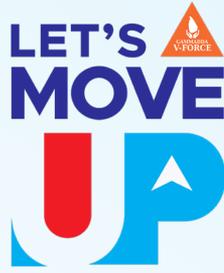
The Gammadda V-Force launched a leadership program on June 24, 2023, at Stein Studios, engaging undergraduates from five major universities. Led by experts like Dulith Herath and Gammadda leaders, the program equipped students with essential leadership skills, empowering them to become changemakers in their communities.

### Project Highlights

- Students from five universities received leadership training in Ratmalana.
- Key speakers included Kapruka Chairman Dulith Herath and Gammadda Movement leaders.
- The program emphasized skills for leadership and community transformation.







# Gammadda V-Force: Honoring the Past, Shaping the Future

On July 24, 2023, the Gammadda V-Force hosted a skills development event in Gedarawewa, Puttalam, marking the 2nd death anniversary of Mr. R. Rajamahendran. Young leaders learned valuable lessons from Gammadda's Chevaan Daniel, continuing the late chairman's legacy of youth empowerment.

## Project Highlights

- The event honored Mr. R. Rajamahendran's contributions to leadership development.
- Local students gained insights from leaders like Chevaan Daniel and Roshan Watawala.
- The program celebrated skills-building and youth empowerment in Nawagathegama.



Puttalam District





## Empowering the Future: Gammadda V-Force 'Let's Move Up' at University of Colombo

From December 5-7, 2023, Gammadda V-Force hosted the 'Let's Move Up' program at the University of Colombo. Attendees, including academic and corporate leaders, emphasized education and collaboration as drivers of community transformation, inspiring students to create meaningful change.

### Project Highlights

- The 3-day program united academia and corporate leaders to inspire student action.
- Esteemed attendees included Prof. Chandana Aluthgamage and Chevaan Daniel.
- The initiative highlighted the power of education and collective upliftment.





## Lifegiving Water for 700 Families of Rathmalwetiya

On April 10, 2024, Gammadda, with support from donors like Dr. Helani Jayasena, installed an RO plant in Rathmalwetiya, Anuradhapura. The project provided clean water to 700 families, alleviating health risks caused by contaminated groundwater.

### Project Highlights

- Addressed water contamination affecting 700 families.
- Funded by donors including Dr. Helani Jayasena, completed on April 10, 2024.
- Reduced chronic kidney disease risks with Navy technical support.





## The Splash of Life - Gammadda Builds R.O. Plant in Palupitiya

On May 19, 2023, Gammadda inaugurated an RO plant in Palupitiya, Matale District, benefiting 250 families. Supported by the Ida Soysa Foundation and the Sri Lanka Navy, the project addressed contaminated groundwater that caused kidney disease and unsafe conditions for Palupitiya Primary School. The day commemorated the 80th birthday of late CMG Chairman R. Rajamahendran, whose legacy inspired Gammadda's mission.



### Project Highlights

- Addressed kidney disease and potable water scarcity affecting 250 families.
- Funded by the Ida Soysa Foundation and executed with Navy support.
- Opened on R. Rajamahendran's 80th birthday, honoring his legacy.

Matale District



# Gammadda Steps In Providing Clean Water for Welgala Vidyalaya

**O**n December 5, 2023, Gammadda laid the foundation for an RO plant in Welgala, Kurunegala District. Supported by CA Sri Lanka and the Navy, the initiative aimed to provide clean drinking water for 360 students and villagers plagued by kidney disease due to unsafe local wells. The project promises a healthier future for the community.



Kurunegala District



### **Project Highlights**

- Villagers and 360 students suffered from contaminated well water.
- Supported by CA Sri Lanka and technical assistance from the Navy.
- Foundation stone laid on December 5, 2023, offering relief to the community.

# An Elephant Fence to Protect the Eriyawa Village School from Wild Elephants



On July 7, 2023, Gammadda unveiled an electric fence to protect Eriyawa village and Mahinda Primary School in Kurunegala from wild elephants. The project, funded by Mr. Ranjan Piyasiri Dantanarayana, ensures safety for 150 children and villagers reliant on farming, mitigating daily dangers posed by elephants.



## Project Highlights

- Addressed human-elephant conflicts endangering lives and livelihoods.
- Electric fence protected Mahinda Primary School's 150 students.
- Completed on July 7, 2023, funded by Mr. Ranjan Piyasiri Dantanarayana.



Kurunegala District



## A New Dawn for Gedarawewa: Safe Drinking Water Secured

On July 25, 2023, Gammadda inaugurated an RO plant in Gedarawewa, Nawagaththegama, funded by Next Manufacturing (Pvt) Ltd. The project, coinciding with the late R. Rajamahendran's second death anniversary, resolved drinking water shortages that caused kidney disease among the 165 families. Technical assistance was provided by the Navy.

### Project Highlights

- Addressed kidney disease and water scarcity for 165 families.
- Funded by Next Manufacturing (Pvt) Ltd and completed on July 25, 2023.
- Inaugurated on R. Rajamahendran's second death anniversary.

Puttlam District





## Gammadda Develops Delapidated Road to Yaya-6 Village

**O**n August 18, 2023, Gammadda renovated the road to Yaya-6 village in Anuradhapura, benefiting 600 farming families and 400 students at Saliyamala Vidyalaya. Funded by the HNB Club, this project complemented previous Gammadda initiatives in the area, including an RO plant and a computer lab for the school.

### Project Highlights

- Renovated road improved access for 600 families and 400 students.
- Funded by the HNB Club and inaugurated on August 18, 2023.
- Part of broader Gammadda efforts in Mahawilachchiya.



Anuradhapura District



# Reviving Seenipura: Clean Water for a Healthier Future

On October 14, 2023, Gammadda unveiled an RO plant in Seenipura, Trincomalee District, aiding 135 families and Bandaranaike Vidyalaya's 250 students. Funded by Sunil Malawana of Speedmark Transportation Lanka and executed with Navy support, the project addressed kidney disease caused by saline groundwater.

## Project Highlights

- Provided clean water to 135 families and 250 students.
- Funded by Sunil Malawana, with technical support from the Navy.
- Addressed saline groundwater contamination and kidney disease.



Trincomalee District



# Gammadda Provides Lifeline During Drought

In September 2023, Gammadda delivered dry rations to drought-affected communities across multiple districts, including Hambantota and Anuradhapura. Supported by public donations, the effort provided crucial aid to farmer communities and upheld Gammadda's legacy of rapid crisis response.

## Project Highlights

- Distributed dry rations to key drought-affected districts.
- Supported by public contributions during a severe national crisis.
- Focused on farmer communities, ensuring essential relief.



Anuradhapura & Hambantota Districts





# Pure Water for Samagipura: A New Beginning

## Project Highlights

- Benefited 500 villagers and a school with 400 children.
- Funded by Mr. Suni Senaweera, inaugurated on August 12, 2023.
- Addressed kidney disease and water scarcity with Navy assistance.

**O**n August 12, 2023, Gammadda inaugurated an RO plant in Samagipura, Monaragala, funded by Mr. Suni Senaweera in memory of K.D. Senaweera. The project provided clean water to over 500 villagers, alleviating kidney disease concerns, with Navy support ensuring its success.



Monaragala District



## Quenching Thirst & Saving Lives at Unapane Village

On July 15, 2023, Gammadda installed an RO plant in Unapane village, Ampara, aiding 202 families suffering from kidney disease due to unsafe water. Funded by the TVR Trust and executed with Navy assistance, the project brought clean water to this farming community.

### Project Highlights

- Provided clean water to 202 families in Padiyatalawa Division.
- Funded by the TVR Trust, completed on July 15, 2023.
- Resolved water contamination issues causing kidney disease.





## Kudabellankadawala's Lifeline: A New RO Plant

### Project Highlights

- Benefited 120 farming families facing water scarcity.
- Funded by an anonymous donor, launched on August 5, 2023.
- Addressed agricultural chemical contamination with Navy support.

**O**n August 5, 2023, Gammadda laid the foundation for an RO plant in Kudabellankadawala, Anuradhapura, addressing water contamination affecting 120 families. Supported by an anonymous donor and Navy technical expertise, the project tackled kidney disease and enhanced water access.



Anuradhapura District



## Fresh Drinking Water Helps Many in Ukulankulama near Mihintale

**O**n March 15, 2024, Gammadda inaugurated an RO plant in Ukulankulama, Anuradhapura, aiding 104 students and 100 Sunday School attendees. Funded by Renuka Amarasekera and supported by the Navy, the project resolved water scarcity caused by contaminated sources.

### Project Highlights

- Benefited school students, Sunday School attendees, and villagers.
- Funded by Renuka Amarasekera, inaugurated on March 15, 2024.
- Resolved kidney disease risks and unsafe water access.

Anuradhapura District



# Clean Water, Brighter Futures for Ihalakumbukwewa

Gammadda brought life-changing relief to Ihalakumbukwewa, Hambantota, with the installation of a Reverse Osmosis (RO) water purification system, addressing decades of water scarcity and kidney disease.

The initiative began with a foundation stone laid on November 23, 2023, and was completed on April 5, 2024. Funded by Mr. Mahendra Amarasooriya and supported by the Sri Lanka Navy, the project now provides clean drinking water to over 800 families. Cricket legend Chaminda Vaas attended the event, inspiring the community and highlighting the significance of this milestone.



### Project Highlights

- Provided clean water to over 800 families, mitigating water scarcity and kidney disease.
- Foundation stone laid on November 23, 2023; project completed on April 5, 2024.
- Funded by Mr. Mahendra Amarasooriya, with technical support from the Sri Lanka Navy.



Hambantota District





### Project Highlights

- Kaleamunakole and Palugaswewa struggled with contaminated water, affecting 300 farming families.
- Gammadda, supported by Piyal Wickramasuriya and Ruman de Silva Jayasinghe, installed an RO water system on January 27, 2024.
- The project, backed by the Sri Lanka Navy, significantly improved these communities' quality of life.

## A New Dawn with Pure Water for Kaleamunakole and Palugaswewa

For years, the farming villages of Kaleamunakole and Palugaswewa in Anuradhapura struggled with contaminated water, impacting 300 families. Gammadda, funded by Piyal Wickramasuriya and Ruman de Silva Jayasinghe, installed an RO water system on January 27, 2024. Supported by the Sri Lanka Navy, this project brought safe water, improving life for these rural communities.



Anuradhapura District



### Project Highlights

- Navinna, with 202 families, faced high kidney disease rates due to contaminated groundwater.
- On January 20, 2024, Gammadda installed an RO water system, funded by the Tennyson and Vinita Rodrigo Trust.
- The project brought clean water and marked a turning point in the village’s health and fight against disease.



## Water that Heals for Navinna, Padiyathalawa

Navinna, Padiyathalawa, with 202 families, suffered from kidney disease due to contaminated water, losing over 20 lives. Gammadda, with support from the Tennyson and Vinita Rodrigo Trust, installed an RO water system on January 20, 2024, providing clean water for the village. An almsgiving ceremony honored the Trust, marking a vital turning point in Navinna’s fight against disease and water scarcity.



Ampara District



# An Independence Day with Clean Water in Beralihela, Hambantota

**B**eralihela Kanishta Vidyalaya, serving 480 students, endured a limited water supply. On February 4, 2024, Gammadda, with donors Shiran Ramsey and Nalini Piyasena, installed a water storage system, celebrated during the 76th Independence Day. This project brought clean water and renewed hope to the Beralihela community, freeing them from water scarcity.



## Project Highlights

- Beralihela Kanishta Vidyalaya’s 480 students had minimal water access, receiving supply only twice a week.
- On February 4, 2024, Gammadda, with donations from Shiran Ramsey and Nalini Piyasena, installed a water storage system.
- Celebrated on the 76th Independence Day, the project brought lasting relief and clean water access to the school.



Hambantota District



# Fresh Drinking Water for Nagavila, Puttalam

**N**agavila, near Puttalam Lagoon, faced severe water scarcity, burdening its 470 families. On February 9, 2024, Gammadda, funded by Next Manufacturing Pvt Ltd, laid the foundation for an RO plant, ensuring safe drinking water. With technical support from the Sri Lanka Navy, this project offered vital health and financial relief, marking a new chapter of hope for Nagavila residents.



## Project Highlights

- Nagavila’s 470 families struggled with severe water scarcity, relying on costly purchased water.
- On February 9, 2024, Gammadda, funded by Next Manufacturing Pvt Ltd, began building an RO plant.
- With help from the Sri Lanka Navy, the project provided clean water, marking a turning point in Nagavila’s health and future.



Puttalam District



### Project Highlights

- Installed a new sanitation system for 450 students, children of tea estate workers.
- Responded to the principal's request and completed the project on February 16, 2024.
- Enhanced hygiene and comfort, improving quality of life for students and teachers.

## Uplifting Quality of Life with Improved Sanitation at Silverkandy Tamil Vidyalayam

On February 16, 2024, Gammadda completed the installation of a new sanitation system at Silverkandy Tamil Vidyalayam, Ragala. Serving 450 students, mostly children of tea estate workers, the project improved hygiene and significantly enhanced daily school experiences, addressing outdated facilities that had long affected the school community. It was funded by Mr. V. Nadesan of Wellawatte.



Nuwara Eliya District





## A Water System Dream Complete for Ketiya North Junior School

On March 1, 2024, Gammadda, with support from the Engineers Association of NERDC, installed a new water distribution system at Ketiya North Junior School, Matara. The project addressed the long-standing issue of broken pipes and storage tanks, ensuring 100 students have safe and continuous access to drinking water.

### Project Highlights

- Addressed dilapidated water supply issues affecting 100 students.
- Funded by the Engineers Association of NERDC, completed on March 1, 2024.
- Ensured continuous, safe access to drinking water.



Matara District

# A Bridge of Hope for Pussalavinna and Sooriyapokuna

In March 2024, Gammadda built a 24-foot bridge for Pussalavinna and Sooriyapokuna, addressing the dangers of a dilapidated wooden bridge. Funded by the TVR Trust, the new bridge safely connects 1,200 villagers, enabling access to schools, work, and healthcare.

## Project Highlights

- Constructed a safe bridge for 1,200 villagers in March 2024.
- Funded by the TVR Trust, replacing a hazardous wooden bridge.
- Ensured safe access to essential services and schools.





## “For the People, by the People” - Gammadda Shines at Sumathi Awards 2023

On February 20, 2024, Gammadda’s remarkable community work was celebrated at the prestigious Sumathi Awards, where Gammadda received the “Special Jury Award.” This recognition highlights Gammadda’s unwavering commitment to serving the Sri Lankan people, a mission that continues to bring relief and hope to communities nationwide.





## The Gift of Pure Water to Weherayaya Kanishta Vidyalaya

On April 6, 2024, Gammadda, funded by Professor Parakum Ovitigala, installed an RO water system for Weherayaya Kanishta Vidyalaya, Monaragala. This project resolved severe water shortages and kidney disease risks, benefiting the school and village.

### Project Highlights

- Installed an RO water system to combat water scarcity.
- Sponsored by Professor Parakum Ovitigala, completed on April 6, 2024.
- Provided a lasting solution for the school and village.



# A Beacon of Hope: Building One Classroom at a Time at Helagama Kanishtha Vidyalaya

**O**n April 6, 2024, Gammadda completed a semi-finished building at Helagama Kanishtha Vidyalaya, Buttala, adding classroom space for 182 students. Funded by the Gammadda General Fund, this project improved learning opportunities and infrastructure.

## Project Highlights

- Enhanced learning with new classrooms for 182 students.
- Funded by the Gammadda General Fund, completed on April 6, 2024.
- Improved infrastructure for current and future students.





## A New Chapter for Nikapotha Maha Vidyalaya

On May 31, 2024, Gammadda, with support from the Airline Pilots' Guild of Sri Lanka, laid the foundation for a water distribution system at Nikapotha Maha Vidyalaya. The project addresses water scarcity for 250 students and their families.



### Project Highlights

- Tackled water scarcity affecting 250 students.
- Supported by the Airline Pilots' Guild, launched on May 31, 2024.
- Includes a 2000-liter tank for reliable water access.



Badulla District





## Gammadda Upgrades Dental Ward at the Teaching Hospital in Peradeniya

### Project Highlights

- The project equipped the ward with critical infrastructure, including medical equipment and sanitary fittings.
- Work addressed building deterioration and replaced old beds, enhancing patient and staff well-being.
- Dignitaries like Chevaan Daniel and university officials inaugurated the facility on May 3, 2023.

**G**ammadda upgraded the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgical Ward at Peradeniya Teaching Hospital with critical equipment and structural repairs. Supported by Next Manufacturing (Pvt) Ltd., the project started on December 10, 2022, and concluded on May 3, 2023. It provided essential resources, including a centralized oxygen system and new beds, transforming patient care.



Kandy District



# Nawagaththegama's New Dawn with Clean Water

On June 28, 2024, Gammadda, supported by Mr. Piyasena Soorige and Ms. Soma P. Baduge, installed an RO water system in Nawagaththegama, Puttalam. The project benefited over 400 families, a local school, and the divisional hospital.

## Project Highlights

- Provided clean water to 400 families, students, and hospital patients.
- Funded by Mr. Piyasena Soorige and Ms. Soma P. Baduge, completed on June 28, 2024.
- Reduced health risks from contaminated water sources.



Puttalam District



## Clean Water for a Healthy Future

**O**n June 15, 2024, Gammadda, with support from Mrs. Sarojini and Mr. A.H. Munasinghe, began building a water filtration system in Monaragala. The project addressed water scarcity and kidney disease risks for 650 families and local schools.

### Project Highlights

- Benefited 650 families and local schoolchildren.
- Funded by Mrs. Sarojini and Mr. A.H. Munasinghe, launched on June 15, 2024.
- Tackled kidney disease risks and ensured clean water access.



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