

## Greetings and Best Wishes from the External Examiners of the Graduateship Programme

For a number of years we have moderated both the examination papers and the marked examination papers for the Graduateship. Our reports have highlighted various specific points for consideration by the Examination Board of the College of Chemical Sciences. We are impressed by the overall breadth of chemistry covered by these papers and by the standard achieved by the best answers. The best students have achieved levels comparable with those of major international institutions. The papers are concerned not just with the academic aspects of the subject but also with aspects of industrial chemistry. Chemistry has a particularly important role to play in the development of the economy especially in South East Asia. Furthermore chemistry has significant contributions to make to the solution of major global problems of environmental change. Energy, raw material resources and recycling together with water purity are all matters which must concern the professional chemist. It is therefore a very good thing to see questions on some of these topics in the examination papers that are set by the College of Chemical Sciences. This must encourage students to think about the ramifications of Chemistry in the twenty-first century.

We congratulate the Institute on the record number of passes and the achievements of these students in the Silver Jubilee of the examination. We send our best wishes to you for the future.

Our best wishes also for the success of the Convocation and I hope that we will be able to continue to help you by moderating the examinations.

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## New Staff Appointments Full Time Teaching Assistants (on contract) College of Chemical Sciences, Institute of Chemistry Ceylon

Mr. W W A L Anurangana, Ms. P L Abeyratne and Ms. J M R M Peiris have been appointed as Full Time Teaching Assistants (on contract) with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008.

## Inauguration of 35<sup>th</sup> DLTC Programme

Mr. K R Dayananda, Senior Research Officer, ITI inaugurated the 35<sup>th</sup> DLTC programme on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2008. Mr. Dayananda is a Graduate Chemist from the first batch and obtained his M.Phil. Degree from the University of Kelaniya.

Mr. Dayananda registered for the Graduateship Programme in 1979 while following the DLTC (then LTCC) programme. He is a specialist in essential oils.

43 students have registered for the 35<sup>th</sup> DLTC programme.

