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This annual report covers the Foundation's 2011 fiscal year (January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013)

Noolaham Foundation is a non-profit, charitable organization (GA 2390) founded to provide enhanced access to information sources and foster knowledge-based development in Sri Lanka.

The Foundation maintains an online digital library, facilitates information preservation programs, provides financial assistance and technical guidance for digitization initiatives, and actively participates in awareness-raising campaigns. It also coordinates a range of fund raising activities and collaborates with other organizations and individuals.

The free internet library (<u>www.noolaham.org</u>) maintained by the Foundation serves as a learning center incorporating local knowledge and enabling social interaction with a view to achieving constructive social outcomes. This digital library functions as a repository for various institutions, supports the cognitive work of scholars and researchers, and fulfills the information needs of social workers, teachers, historians, and the general public.

Volunteers of Noolaham Foundation engage with Noolaham's activities globally and establish Noolaham chapters in their respective countries to achieve the mission of the Foundation.

Further details about the Noolaham Foundation are available at: <a href="http://www.noolahamfoundation.org">www.noolahamfoundation.org</a>



## Mission

Document and preserve all spheres of knowledge related to Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities and make it accessible to all.

# **Objectives**

- Document, preserve and digitally archive ethnography and knowledge bases such as dialects, belief systems, myths, rituals, folklore, games, indigenous medicine, law and administrative systems, technologies and arts of mainstream and marginalized communities.
- Engage in and support preservation and digital archiving of written, print, multimedia and electronic resources related to Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities.
- Provide knowledge and information services to ensure free and open access, and thereby support educational, research and development endeavors related to Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities.
- Build communities of practice, processes, technologies and standards of archival, library information sciences through communication, networking and collaboration.

# **Guiding Principles**

- Unity: Entities of Noolaham Foundation shall exist in different geographical, legal and political territories. Noolaham Foundation always ensures unity in its strategic framework, its design, program, budget and communications.
- Openness: As the driving force of Noolaham Foundation is centered on open data, open access and open knowledge, it does not charge the end-users for accessing its archive. It expects end-users not to use the contents for individual or corporate economic gain.
- Transparency: All of Noolaham's operations strive to be open and transparent. Our commitment includes detail accounting reports, comprehensive governance, programs, and information dissemination and responsiveness to request for information.
- Unbiased: Noolaham Foundation is an unbiased entity. While it engages volunteers from different political thoughts, parities and stands for Noolaham's mission, it does not allow volunteers to use Noolaham Foundation for their political engagement and leverage. Noolaham Foundation shall take appropriate measures to ensure from being politicized or being labeled.
- Volunteerism: Volunteerism is the basis for all of Noolaham's operations. The Annual work plan will be formulated giving emphasis on volunteer contribution, to optimize the overheads and performance targets for each team.
- Collaboration: Noolaham strives to avoid duplication and repetition of work, and thereby promotes synergy among similar organizations in digital documentation and preservation. Noolaham Foundation shall support institutions to complete projects, if such collaboration optimizes the productivity and vice versa.
- Participation: Broadening and strengthening the participation of the stakeholders of Noolaham Foundation is part and parcel of Noolaham's culture. It consults with all the stakeholders to make or review the policies and decisions that affect the business of Noolaham Foundation. Noolaham shall introduce mechanisms to ensure active participation of the stakeholders, to maintain team spirit, to value innovations and to appreciate excellence.

# Why Document, Preserve and Archive

Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities hold knowledge as their primary and proudest resource. Learning is intertwined with our way of life. That is why, upon hearing about the burning of Jaffna Library the communities were heart broken. The loss, grief and sorrow that fell upon us will last for generations. We lost parts of our past and parts of our future.

Unfortunately, the burning of Jaffna Library was not the first tragedy. Nor was it the last. Historically, due to casteism, patriarchy, marginalization, colonization and other oppressive factors, the knowledge and cultural ethos of many Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities such as that of Plantation Tamils, Coast Veddas and Tamil Muslims have not been fully recorded or shared. In recent years, the civil war, modernization and lack of awareness has accelerated the loss of valuable knowledge resources.

In today's digital and knowledge-driven society, open and free access to information is critical for the economic development of communities. To be creative and innovative, knowledge must be rooted in the culture, environment and context in which it is created and used. This tacit, deep and long-term knowledge needs to be built and nurtured from within.

The cultural memory and heritage are vital for social and cultural development. In order to heal and move forward, an honest examination of our past is necessary. To do this, we must truthfully record and preserve our history.

Documenting, preserving and developing all spheres of knowledge related to the Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities is the monumental challenge that Noolaham Foundation has undertaken, hand in hand with the communities. Although it is impossible to fully recover, if we act with urgency and skill we will achieve our mission and objectives.

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# **2013** IN REVIEW

During 2013 Noolaham Foundation was further transformed into a professionally managed organization from a volunteer centred one. Staff members were recruited to strengthen the organization and to increase its efficiency. The first conference of Noolaham Foundation on the theme "Documentation and Preservation in Sri Lankan Tamil Milieu" was held in April 2013.

Other highlights of 2013 include:

- Digitization projects to archive the publications done by schools
- Republishing of rare and endangered documents
- Tamil Optical Character Recognition Support Project

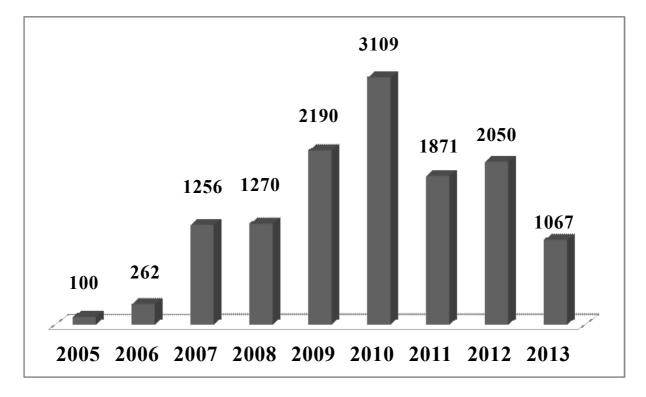
## **Noolaham Digital Library**

As they are available to anybody in any part of the world at any given time, digital libraries make enhanced access to information possible . The free Internet library (www.noolaham.org) maintained by the Noolaham Foundation serves as a learning center incorporating local knowledge and enables social interaction with a view to achieving constructive social outcomes. It functions as a repository for various institutions, and fulfils the information needs of students, researchers, historians, activists and the public.

All 1,067 documents digitized during 2013 were catalogued at Noolaham Digital Library but not all of them were made fully available online because of our commitment to respecting and enforcing applicable copyrights laws. If works are not available in the public domain, we seek legal permission from copyrights holders to publish their works in our digital library. 76 writers and publishers gave permissions to give digital access to their publications during 2013 taking the tally to 356.

We encourage copyrights holders to release their works according to the liberal Creative Commons License so that their works can be maximally used. In the case of publications related to Sri Lankan Tamils, there is a significant number of orphaned works. If we are unable to establish copyrights after reasonable efforts, we include those works in our digital library for all to access them.

Even though we have digitized over 13,000 documents, the content of most of the documents cannot be searched because there are no efficient OCR software. Thus during 2013, we implemented the Tamil Optical Character Recognition Support Project to provide scanned raw images of rare Tamil documents to assist a Tamil OCR development project. Noolaham Foundation collaborated with the Department of Computer Science, University of Jaffna to implement this project. The Tamil digitization project is a joint venture of the Theekshana (school of computing, University of Colombo) and the department of Computer Science, University of Jaffna and funded by the ICTA. The main goal of the project is to develop the tools needed to automatically recognize the most commonly printed Tamil fonts from scanned images of books and documents to digitize such content.

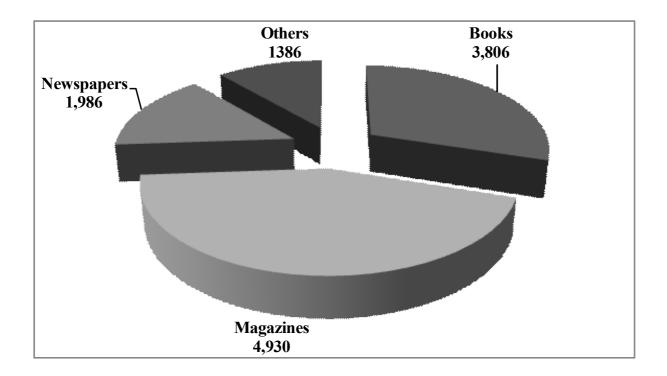


Documents added each year

## **Noolaham Digital Archive**

The second objective of Noolaham Foundation is digitization and long term digital preservation of documents related to the Sri Lankan Tamil speaking communities. We do digitization in accordance with international standards to ensure quality and to support a wide array of uses. We back up our digital resources in multiple storage devices and in multiple geographical locations to ensure preservation. We add structural, technical and administrative metadata in addition to descriptive metadata to help with the current and future preservation activities. We have preservation practices in places such as format conversion to avoid technical obsolescence.

1,067 documents collected by the collection development projects were digitized during 2013, taking the total number of archived publications from 12,108 to 13,175. They include books, magazines, journals, newspapers, newsletters, annual publications, memorial publications and hand books.



Documents by category

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## **Collection Development**

The Noolaham Digital Library Collection Development 2013 project focused on strengthening the Noolaham Digital Library collection by digitizing various rare documents. More than 400 documents from the Collection of Mr. Rajathurai Ganesarajah were among the digitized documents.

Two other projects were carried out during 2013 to digitize the publications of Colombo Royal College and Jaffna Hindu College. 92 publications of the Tamil Students of Colombo Royal College were released as a DVD named "Veththiyar Thamilaavanam" at an event held at Royal College Union Skill Centre on 31st March 2013. 135 publications of Jaffna Hindu College were released as a DVD under the caption "Aaram" on 14th October 2013 at Saraswathy Hall, Bambalapitiya. A booklet was also published.

## Pallikoodam

Combining formal education with alternative forms of education, Pallikoodam Program aims to create virtual learning environments that support and empower students at the grass root levels within the Tamil speaking communities in Sri Lanka. The virtual learning environments made possible by emerging Internet based educational technology provides a great cost-effective opportunity to bring and link quality educational resources to students and youth.

During 2013, we created a separate website (www.epallikoodam.org) for this program based on the Moodle content management system. 1,390 educational resources and a question bank with 10,008 Multiple Choice Questions were included in this website.

We also conducted various orientation events with the support of the Tamil Students of Moratuwa University and Uwa Wellasa University.

## **Manuscripts Archive**

In Sri Lanka, there exist a vast number of medieval and late modern Tamil palm-leaf manuscripts held by individuals and organizations. These palm-leaf manuscripts cover a variety of subjects including traditional medicine, law, history, technology and religion. Majority of these works have not been published in print. In addition, there exists an array of contemporary handwritten manuscripts such as notebooks, letters and diaries. Noolaham Foundation's Manuscripts Archive Program identifies catalogues, digitizes and makes these works accessible to the wider scholarly community and the public.

## **Reference Resources**

Noolaham Foundation collects information and creates in depth resources about People, Places and Organizations and makes them accessible to all. This program will be the backbone of the information architecture needed for all other programs and will become a useful reference tool. There are plans to collect context and community specific open data sets such as information about works, biodiversity, micro-climate, economic data and social indicators.

Prior to 2013, we had collected information about around 3000 organizations. During 2013, we have initiated the Who is Who pilot with a view to collecting information about various individuals. This project will be finished in 2014.

## **Noolaham Publications**

During 2012, we began a collaboration with Ezhuna Media Foundation to republish rare, out of copyright books. During 2013, two rare books named 'Thamizhpashai' and 'Pandaithamilar' were published through this collaboration. 'Thamizhpashai' is re-edition of Mr. T. T. Saravanmuthupillai and was edited by Mr. Satkunam Sathiyathevan. 'Pandaithamilar' is the first edition and author is Swamy Gnanapragasar. It was edited by Dr . Arangaraj Jeganathan

## **Tamil Documentation Conference 2013**

Noolaham Foundation conducted a research Conference on the theme of "Documentation and Preservation in Sri Lankan Tamil Milieu" on the 27th and 28th of April 2013 in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The Tamil Documentation Conference 2013 aimed to enhance documenting and preserving the knowledge resource of the heritages of the Tamil speaking communities in Sri Lanka.

This conference is unique in the sense that is the first ever conference on documentation in Sri Lanka. Forty eight research articles were presented at eight sessions. The conference proceedings volume is to be released at a later date. This research conference is the first Tamil language conference on Documentation and it received special appreciation from scholars and general public.

## **Noolaham Events**

Two seminars of the Panaiyolai Seminar series were conducted during 2013. The first seminar on 'Documentation and the sharing of Knowledge' was conducted on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013. Mr. T. Mathusuthanan, Prof. Saba Jeyarasa and Mr. K. Raguparan were the speakers at this event. The second seminar was about Open Access, Tamil Wikipedia and Creative Commons. It was conducted on 25th April 2013. Mr. Mauran Muralitharan, Mr. Thillainathan Kopinath and Mr. A. Ravishankar were the speakers .

An introductory event was organized in Batticaloa on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2013 to introduce Noolaham's activities to the public. Noolaham's activities were discussed at The 41st Literary Assembly which was conducted in Jaffna on the 20th and 21st of July 2013. Mr. Seran Sivananthamoorthy gave a presentation at an event conducted by the Asia Art Archive and Raking Leaves in July 2013. A number of smaller meetings were held throughout the year to introduce Noolaham Foundation's Programs.

## Collaboration

The Foundation collaborates with various initiatives and organizations in knowledge-related activities. Collaboration does not necessarily mean that the Foundation endorses the activities, views or content of these organizations. Our mission is to recruit and support new organizations and to build strong relationships with cultural and educational institutions. We hope more institutions, publishers and authors will collaborate with us to build vast collections of open access information sources so that everyone has equal access to information.

## Infrastructure

The head office of Noolaham Foundation is based at a rented space in the building that houses the Colombo Tamil Sangam. This office space has enabled efficient coordination of various projects. Some project activities are based at our Kopay Office which was provided by a well wisher. The Jaffna Public Library has also given us a space to conduct digitization.

## **Human Resources**

During early 2013, Mr Vimalanathan Vimalathithan contributed as the Chief Operating Officer. Mr. S. Shanmugapriyan was appointed as the Chief Program Executive on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2013. During November 2013, a Communication & Public Relations Officer and a Senior Program Officer were appointed as well. Ms. Thevagowry Mahalingasivam contributed as a consultant.

Mr. Rathina Iyer Pathmanaba Iyer, Prof. Sivasubramaniam Pathmanathan, Prof. Sinniah Maunaguru, Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran, Prof. Macbool Alimmohamed Nuhman, Prof. Somasundram Sandrasegaram, Prof. Sabharatnam Jeyarasa and Prof. Paramu Pushparatnam were appointed as the Patrons of Noolaham Foundation for a period of two years.

## Finances

During 2013, a total of 70 donors together contributed LKR 4,265,833.00. Details of these donations are included elsewhere in this report. This contribution includes project grants provided by the Neelan Tiruchelvam Trust, Federal Assistance Award, Vidivu Australia and Visions Global Empowerment. Amarasekara and Co have audited the financial statements of Noolaham Foundation and that report forms part of this Annual Report.

## Acknowledgements

Active community involvement is vital to a 21<sup>st</sup> century Memory Institution. We are fortunate in that several organizations and individuals have joined hands with us. At this juncture, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all of them.

Volunteers have been contributing in various ways; donors have provided increased financial support to the Foundation; technical support personnel, advisors, patrons, and well-wishers continue to contribute generously; and above all, our content providers - the authors and publishers - help to further our collections. Thank you very much.

## Projects 2013

Noolaham Digital Library Collection Development 2013 Vethiyar Thamilavanam: Colombo Royal College Digitization Tamil Documentation Conference 2013 Aaram: Jaffna Hindu College Digitization Republishing of Rare and Endangered documents Tamil Optical Character Recognition Support Project Initiation of Moodle for Sri Lankan Tamil Speaking Students Sri Lankan Tamil Who is Who: A Pilot Project

# **Achievements and Results**

**DIGITAL ARCHIVE** 

(February 2014)

Books 4,006 Magazines 5,865 Newspapers 1,987 Booklets 1,504 Total Items 13,362

## **DIGITAL LIBRARY**

Authors 2,220 Publishers 1,623 Published years 110 Portals 11 Articles 100,000 +

## PALLIKOODAM

MCQs 10,008 Study Materials 1,390

## **COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

Muslim Archive 161 Malaiyakam Archive 92 DVDs 2

## **Teams 2012**

#### Patrons

Rathina Iyer Pathmanaba Iyer Sivasubramaniam Pathmanathan Sinniah Maunaguru Selvy Thiruchandran Macbool Alimmohamed Nuhman Somasundram Sandrasegaram Sabharatnam Jeyarasa Paramu Pushparatnam

## **Advisory Board**

Prof. Veerasami Arasu Prof. Somasundram Sandrasegaram Prof. Chelva Kanaganayakam Prof. Rudramorthy Cheran Dr. T. Gnanasekaran Dr. S. H. Hasbullah Prof. Sabharatnam Jeyarasa Dr. Sivagnanam Jeyasankar Mr R Kanakaratnam Mr. Muthukrishnan Kannan Prof. Sinniah Maunaguru Mr. A. Muthukumar Dr. M. D. Muthukumaraswamy Prof. Macbool Alimmohamed Nuhman Mr. Rameez Abdulla Prof. Ratnajeevan Hoole Mr. A. Ravishankar Prof. S. R. Selvakumar Mr. N. Selvarajah

Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran Prof. Sivachandran Rajaratnam Prof. Sitralega Maunaguru Prof. Sharika Thiranagama Prof. Thaya Somasundram Dr. Sumathy Sivamohan Mr. Sundar Ganeshan Prof. Suresh Canagarajah Prof. S. Yogarajah Mr. Packiyanathan Ahilan Dr. Ragupathy Ponnampalam Mr. Vairamuttu Varadakumar Mr. Subramaniam Visahan Mr. Krishnakumar Rasaratnam Dr. Ramanitharan Kandiah Mr. Peer Mohemed Punniyameen Dr. Seelan Kadirgamar Prof. S. I. Sritharan Prof N Subramanian Prof K Arunasalam Dr. Jinnah Sherifdeen Prof S Thillainathan Dr K Kunarasa Dr Chandraleka Vamadeva Dr. S. Sivathas Dr. V. Maheswaran Dr. Thurai. Manoharan Mr. Thuraisingam Kumaresan Prof. Sivasubramaniam Pathmanathan Prof. Paramu Pushparatnam

**Board of Trustees** Pathmanaba Iyer Rathina Iyer Shaseevan Ganeshananthan Kopinath Thillainathan Seran Sivananthamoorthy

**Company Secretary** Sentitcumaran Ramalingham

#### **Steering Board**

Shaseevan Ganeshananthan Kopinath Thillainathan Seran Sivananthamoorthy Ramanaish Kathiravel Natkeeran L Kanthan Sanjayan Selvamanickam

## Staff

Shanmugapriyan Shanmugam Gajani Satchithanandan Senthilnathan Dharmalingam Janani Arunthavaratnam Shivalini Krishnasamy Thappiththal Sathiyaseelan Prashanthi Karuneswaran

# Advocacy and Community Building Teams

#### Advocacy

Sharmila Ragunathan Mahendran Thiruvarangan Shaseevan Ganeshananthan Guruparan Kumaravadivel Sentitcumaran Ramalingham Andi Schubert Jananthan Thavarajah Marisa De Silva

Noolaham United Kingdom Bharaneetharan J Pathmanaba Iyer Rathina Iyer Shaseevan Ganeshananthan Vanniyasingham Bavaharan Karunananthan Sanjey Gengatharan Nagalingam Kanagalingam Sugumar Thangesh Paramsothy Paul Sathianesan Duraisamy Sellathamby Sriskandarajah

## Noolaham Canada

Sutharshan Sirinivasan Natkeeran L Kanthan Ramanan Santhirasegaramoorthy Dilibkumar Jeyaratnam Navaratnam Kanagaratnam Murugaih Narayanamoorthy Indrajith Panchadcharam Kiruthihan Kumaraswamy

Noolaham Australia Ketheswaran Ponmailainathan

Noolaham Norway Sanjayan Selvamanickam Dharshini Elanchelian Elanchelian Nadarajah

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**Noolaham USA** Piratheepan Paramanathan

Noolaham Switzerland Poopalapillai Vivekanantha Sayanthan Kathir

Noolaham India Rajesh Venkatasubramanian

Noolaham Colombo Thivatharan Jeganathan Rameshkannah Yohalingam Kopikah Tharmakulasingam Janani Nagendran

Noolaham Jaffna Gowthaman Kunchipatham Ratnasingam Sharveswara Janathan Thiruchchelvam

Noolaham Batticaloa Thangavel Sakthiyalingam Seelan Sivaguru Sharmila Ragunathan Maheshwaran Prashanthini Ponnithurai Nilanthini

Noolaham Trincomalee Sathiyathevan Sargunam Shri Ramanathan (Kannan)

**Noolaham Matale** Vijayaretthna Edwin Noolaham Kandy Saravanan Kanagaratnam

## **Program Team**

**Documentation** Shaseevan Ganeshananthan

**Preservation** Seran Sivananthamoorthy Shaseevan Ganeshananthan Natkeeran L Kanthan

Manuscript Archive Dr. Arangaraj Jeganathan Padmanaban Sarveswara Iyer

Multimedia Archive Gnanathas Kasinathar Elayathambi Thayanantha Ketharasarma Ledchumanasarma

Information Services Srikanthaluxmi Arulanantham S. Thanabalasingam Imelda Karunakaran Kalpana Chandasekar V.Veluthasan Natkeeran L Kanthan Shaseevan Ganeshananthan

Muslim Archive Mahroof Fauzer M.I.Jafir

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#### **Upcountry Archive**

Theliwatta Joseph Thilakarajah Mylvaganam Sarawanan Nadarasa Lenin Mathivanam Velautham Thinakaran M.A. Al Azoomath Sivalingam Sivakumaran

**Event Management Team** Anuheman Annalingam Chinthoorie Yogalingam Puviraj Iroshan

**Publication Team** Sivanathan Mayuran Srikandaraj Senthooran

## **Technology Team**

## **Technical Support & Maintanance**

Natkeeran L Kanthan Vinodh Rajan Nimalaprakasan Skandhakumar Bala SundaraRaman **Preservation and Archiving Technologies** 

Mahalingam Paheerathan Natkeeran L Kanthan Prashanth Sirinivasan

Virtual Learning Environment Sarveswaran Kengatharaiyer Kanthasamy Sureshkumar Balachandran Sanjith Kanagasabai Erlilverl Saravanaperumal Paranetharan Ahiladas Burusothman

**Technical Tools for Tamil (3T) Laboratory** Aparajithan Sivanathan Arunan Sivanathan

**Communication Team** Harishanth Thiraviyanathan Subramaniam Kuneswaran

**Finance Team** Gowrishangar Yogendran Seran Sivananthamoorthy Thiruvarangan Ramachandran

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

#### To The Members of Noolaham Foundation (Company Limited by Guarantee)

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

1. We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Noolaham Foundation (Company Limited by Guarantee) which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2013, and the statement of comprehensive income and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes as set out on Pages 02 - 09.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

2. Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities' (SLFRS for SMEs). This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Scope of Audit and Basis of Opinion

3. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Sri Lanka Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

4. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

5. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. We therefore believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### Opinion

6. In our opinion, so far as appears from our examination, the financial statements appear to show a fair picture of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2013 and its results and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities' (SLFRS for SMEs).

#### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

8. These financial statements also comply with the requirements of Section 151(2) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007,

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS COLOMBO, 11.06.2014

#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

		(Expressed in S	Sri Lankan Rupees)
	Note	2013	2012
Income	3	4,265,833	2,331,407
Direct Expenses	4 _	(2,759,388)	(1,681,648)
Net Income		1,506,444	649,758
Other Income		-	5,000
Administrative Expenses	5	(1,347,701)	(394,617)
Finance Cost	6 _	(8)	(2)
Excess of Income Over Expenditure Befor Taxation		158,735	260,139
Income Tax	-	<u> </u>	-
Excess of Income Over Expenditure for the Year		158,735	260,139
Other Comprehensive Income	(a <del>.</del>		-
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year		158,735	260,139

Audit Report on Page 1 Figures in brackets indicate deductions Notes to the Financial Statements on Pages 05 to 09 form an integral Part of these Financial Statements.



#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2013

		(Expressed in Sri Lankan Rupees)		
		2013	2012	
ASSETS	Note			
Non - Current Assets				
Property, Plant and Equipment	7	558,868	504,182	
Current Assets				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	8	30,121	14,039	
Total Assets	=	588,990	518,221	
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES				
Funds				
Accumulated Fund	9	368,990	210,254	
Total Funds		368,990	210,254	
Current Liabilities				
Loan Account		200,000	200,000	
Accrued Expenses		20,000	20,000	
Bank Overdraft - Commercial Bank			87,967	
Total Current Liabilities		220,000	307,967	
Total Funds and Liabilities		588,990	518,221	

I certify that these Financial Statements of the Company comply with the requirements of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007.

**Finance Officer** 

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these Financial Statements.

Approved and Signed for and on behalf of the Committee of Management,

Date :- ...!! Colombo,

Director

& Shasewa .....

Director

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Director

**Noolaham Foundation** 57th Lane, Col-06

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#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

	(Expressed in Sri Lankan Ru		
	2013	2012	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Excess of Income Over Expenditure for the Year	158,735	260,139	
Adjustments for;			
Depreciation	261,917	110,686	
Expenditure Over Income Before Changes in Working Capital	420,653	370,825	
Net Cash Generated from Operating Activities	420,653	370,825	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Acquisition of Property, Plant and Equipment	(316,603)	(524,775)	
Net Cash used in Investing Activities	(316,603)	(524,775)	
Net Changes in Cash and Cash Equivalents During the Year	104,049	(153,950)	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Year	(73,928)	80,022	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of the Year	30,121	(73,928)	

Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of the Year Represented By;	2013	2012
Cash at Bank	21,620	-
Cash in Hand	8,501	14,039
Bank Overdraft	-	(87,967)
	30,121	(73,928)

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#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

#### 1.1 Domicile and Legal Form

The Noolaham Foundation is a Limited Liability Company by Guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Sri Lanka under Companies Act No. 07 of 2007. The Registered Office of the Company is located at No. 07, 57<sup>th</sup> Lane, Colombo 06.

#### 1.2 Principal Activities and Nature of Operations

The Objectives for which the Foundation established are,

- To engage in activities relating to digital library services.
- To support digital preservation projects by providing financial assistance
- To provide advices on digital and archiving technology and preservation
- To create virtual digital libraries by indexing other websites.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 2.1 Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards for Small and Medium-sized Entities' (SLFRS for SMEs).

The preparation of financial statements under SLFRS for SMEs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgments in the process of applying the group's accounting policies. Areas involving a higher degree of judgments or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimations are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2.11.

#### 2.1.1 Foreign Currency Translation

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to Sri Lanka Rupees at the exchange rate prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are retranslated to Sri Lanka Rupees at the closing rate of exchange prevailing at that date.

#### 2.2 ASSETS AND BASIS OF THEIR VALUATION

#### 2.2.1 Property, Plant and Equipment

Property Plant and Equipment are stated at cost of purchase less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of Property, Plant and Equipment comprise its purchase price and any directly attributable cost of bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use.

The cost of self constructed assets includes the costs of materials, direct labour, and any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to working condition of its intended use. This also includes costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalized only when it is possible that the future economic benefits embodied with the expenditure will flow to the company and its cost can be measured reliably. All other ongoing repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation will be calculated by using the straight-line method on the cost of all Property Plant and Equipment in order to write off such amounts over the estimated useful economic life of such assets.

The estimated useful life of asset is as follows:

Assets Category	Depreciation Rate	<b>Useful Lives</b>
Office Equipment	12.5%	8 Years
Furniture and Fittings	20.0%	5 Years
Computer	50.0%	2 Years



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#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

#### 2.3 Basic Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured initially at the transaction price (including transaction costs except in the initial measurement of financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value through profit or loss).

Financial assets are derecognized when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets have expired or settled and the company has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership of the financial assets to another party. The company derecognizes a financial liability when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, is cancelled or expires.

At the end of each reporting period financial instruments are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

At the end of each reporting period, the company assess whether there is objective evidence of impairment of any financial assets that are measured at cost or amortized cost. If there is objective evidence of impairment, the impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss immediately.

#### 2.3.1 Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

#### 2.4 LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS

#### 2.4.1 General

All known liabilities have been provided for in preparing the Financial Statements contingent events and their financial impact if any, are disclosed in notes to the Financial Statements.

#### 2.4.2 Funds

The funds that are restricted are recognized at their fair value. When such funds relate to an expense item it is recognized as income over the period necessary to match it, so the costs which it is intended to compensate for on a systematic basis. Funds that are related to assets are deferred in the Balance Sheet and credited to the Income Expenditure account at the end of the project.

#### 2.5 RECEIPTS / EXPENSES RECOGNITION

#### 2.5.1 Receipts

Receipts are recognized on systematic and rational basis over the period necessary to match them with the related cost.

#### 2.5.2 Expenditure

All Expenses are recognized as and when such expenses are incurred.

#### 2.6 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

**2.6.1** Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below:

#### Useful life time of depreciable assets

The Company reviews its estimate of the useful life time of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected economic utility of the assets.



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#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

		(Expressed in Sri	Lankan Ruped
		2013	2012
Income			
Donors	Country		
Pathmanaba Iyer, Rathina Iyer	United Kingdom	545,167	239,7
Natkeeran, L. Kanthan	Canada	100,100	109,0
Piratheepan, Paramananthan	USA - Social	17,696	-
Bavaharan, Vanniyasingham	United Kingdom	-	208,3
Jeyachandran Vaithilingam	Australia - Perth	52,000	32,5
Kopinath Thillainathan	Australia - Perth	113,000	72,1
Jeyakumar, R.	USA - Social	12,640	17 <del>4</del>
Shaseevan, Ganeshananthan	United Kingdom	20,750	() <u>-</u>
Ganeshwara, V.	USA - Social	6,320	-
Premkumar, A.	Australia - Perth	-	26,0
Sivakumar, Balasubramaniam	United Kingdom	20,431	-
Gantharsah, S.	Norway - Oslo	52,950	-
Pirathapan, Y.	USA - Social	6,320	99 <del>4</del>
Varatharaj, S.	USA - Social	7,584	33 <b>-</b>
Arulmozhi, K.	USA - Social	31,600	22
Ganesan, Nanda	USA - Social	12,640	11,3
Mathiyalagan, Ariyaratnam	Australia - Perth	13,000	57
Nandakumaran, N.	USA - Social	10,000	23
Vasanthakumar Rathinasingam		13,000	39
Niranjanan, S.	USA - Social	3,160	
Gunaranjan, G.	USA - Social	6,320	
Kannan, K.	USA - Social	6,320	
Krishnamenon, N.	USA - Social	3,160	
Lavanya Kugan	USA - Social	12,640	
Pratheepan, K.	USA - Social	6,320	
Raveendra, M.	<b>U</b> SA - Social	6,320	
Saranya Kugan	USA - Social	12,640	
Sathiskumar, S.	USA - Social	6,320	,
Shenthan, T.	USA - Social	6,320	
Sivakumaran, K.	USA - Social	12,640	14,5
Sivathasan, A.	USA - Social	6,320	5
Srikanthan, N.	USA - Social	6,150	
Uthayakumar, S.	USA - Social	6,320	
Vasuki Kuharajan	USA - Social	6,320	,
Balasuthan Gopalasingam	Australia - Perth	-	6,5
Sutharshan Srinivasan	Canada		30,0
Sabeshkumar, Kumaraswamy	United Kingdom	10,534	
Poopalapillai Vivekanantha	Switzerland	66,830	
Amirthakaran Amirthalingam	Australia - Perth	13,000	
Srikanthan, M.G. (Dr)	United Kingdom	52,668	
Manamohan, V. (Dr)	Australia		65,0
Franklin Marshal, K.	Australia - Perth	-	13,0
Noolaham : United Kingdom	United Kingdom	-	46,9
Sakar, Muthukumaru	Australia - Perth	17 <u>1</u>	32,5
Tamil Literary Garden	Canada		56,8
Sivakumaran, Aravind	USA - Social		11,7
Federal Assistance Award	Sri Lanka	570,141	568,1
Akilan Poobalasingam	Australia - Perth	13,000	13,0
Anojan Gunaratnam	Australia - Perth	13,000	13,0
Yoga Nathan Trust	Sri Lanka	250,000	25,0
Balance C/F	511 Lanka	2,131,640	1,595,3

Figures in brackets indicate deductions Notes continue to the Financial Statements Continued



#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

		(Expressed in Sri	Lankan Rupees)
Delever D/C		2013	2012
Balance B/F		2,131,640	1,595,348
Elankumaran, Aruliah	Australia - Perth	<u>-</u>	32,500
Kopi, Disan and Friends	Australia - Perth	-	55,900
Arulpiragasam, S.	Australia - Perth	-	13,000
Royal College Old Tamil Debaters Association		10,000	•
Relief And Rehabilitation Network (UK)	United Kingdom		420,945
Neelan Thiruchelvam Trust	Sri Lanka	261,205	213,714
Sanjayan, Selvamanickam	Norway - Oslo	538,246	-
Skanthatheva, Subramaniam	United Kingdom	152,000	-
Visions Global Empowerment	USA	335,810	-
Pratheepan Pathmanathan	United Kingdom	81,276	-
Thangesh Paramsothy	United Kingdom	10,216	-
Krishnarajah Kanagasabai	United Kingdom	20,431	-
Ahilan Foundation	United Kingdom	102,155	-
Nivetha Uthayarajan	United Kingdom	102,155	-
Ezhuna Media Foundation	United Kingdom	37,796	_
Paramakumaran, Navaratnam	United Kingdom	20,500	-
Suganthakumar, Nallanathar	United Kingdom	20,500	_
Kaviraj Sanmuganathan	United Kingdom	10,534	
Suresh Subramaniam	United Kingdom	106,370	250
Vidivu Australia Limited	Onned Kingdom	325,000	-
vidivu Australia Elinted		4,265,833	2,331,403
			2,551,40
Direct Expenses Collaboration Project Funding (Donation)			
US Project		287,472	691 760
Jaffna-Archiving			681,269
NTT Project		108,196	11,490
•	•	252,500	220,000
Scanning Project-Ithalaham		18,654	16,645
TDC Project initiation		523,438	12,250
Virtual Class Room Project			4,000
Visions Global Empowerment		153,408	-
Batticaloa Oreantation		31,930	-
Cultural Event		139,000	-
Documentation on Architecture		7,000	-
Pallikoodam Programme		200,000	
Peer to Peer Project		20,131	-
P		1,741,728	945,654
Programme Expenses			
CD Purchase		7,140	1,500
Communication		76,143	2.5
Rent and Hall Bookings			6,000
Noolaham 10000		-	117,835
Noolaham Stall Expenses			37,973
Printing and Stationary		21,112	14,450
Office Equipment Maintenance		6,050	-
EAP Training Programme			76,800
Traveling and Transport		200	28,21
Refreshment		33,845	18,63:
Travelling		52,015	10,05.
Sub Contract Charges		559,438	323,90
Depreciation			
Depredation		261,917	110,680
Total Direct Expenses		<u>1,017,660</u> 2,759,388	735,994
Total Direct Expenses		2,739,388	1,681,648

Figures in brackets indicate deductions Notes continue to the Financial Statements Continued



#### NOOLAHAM FOUNDATION (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

		(Expressed in Sri La	inkan Rupees)
		2013	2012
5	Administrative Expenses		
	Communication	72,311	42,221
	Subcontract Charges	812,330	-
	Postage	48,795	13,800
	Printing and Stationary	30,184	39,585
	Office Eqiupment Maintanance	24,050	-
	Rent	180,000	192,000
	Electricity		22,806
	Labour Charges		6,500
	Legal Fees		2,500
	Office Maintenance	30,327	25,070
	Computers Up-Grading	22,100	27,635
	Traveling and Transport	33,448	950
	Employee Welfare	9,675	
	Publication	26,900	-
	Advertisement	33,831	-
	Bank Charges	3,750	1,550
	Audit Fees	20,000	20,000
		1,347,701	394,617
6	Finance Cost		
	Debit Tax	-	2
	Overdraft Interest	8	-
			2

#### 7 Property, Plant and Equipment

Cost

Description -	Balance as at 01 Jan 2013	Additions	Balance as at 31 Dec 2013
Computers	316,900	92,500	409,400
Office Equipment	274,830	183,380	458,210
Furniture & Fittings	72,545	40,723	113,268
	664,275	316,603	980,878

#### Depreciation

Description	Balance as at 01 Jan 2013	Charge for the Year	Balance as at 31 Dec 2013
Computers	138,091	192,844	330,934
Office Equipment	9,023	49,884	58,907
Furniture & Fittings	12,979	19,189	32,168
	160,093	261,917	422,010

#### Written Down Value 504,182 558,868 2013 2012 8 Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash at Bank Commercial Bank - (A/C No - 1100063121) 21,620 ÷ Cash in Hand 8,501 14,039 30,121 14,039 9 Accumulated Fund Balance at the Beginning of the Year (49, 885)210,254 Excess of Income over Expenditure for the Year 158,735 260,139 Balance at the End of the Year 368,990 210,254

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

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# **Profile of the Organization**

Registered Name	Noolaham Foundation
Established	2005
Address	No 7, 57th Lane,
	Colombo-06,
	Sri Lanka
Incorporated	May 2010
Registration	GA 2390
Head Office	Noolaham Foundation
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	Colombo-06.
	Sri Lanka
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	C/O Jaffna Public Library,
	Jaffna.
Telephone	0094 112363261
Email	noolahamfoundation@gmail.com
Website	www.noolahamfoundation.org
Digital Library	www.noolaham.org
Noolaham Canada	1306 - 330 McCowan Road
	Scarborough, Ontario M1J 3N3 Canada
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