

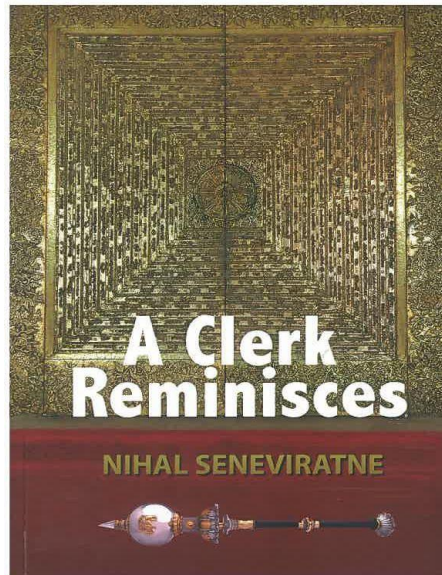
THE NATIONAL TRUST – SRI LANKA LECTURE ON
THURSDAY 31ST JANUARY 2019

“A CLERK REMINISCES & HUMOUR IN PARLIAMENT”
by Nihal Seneviratne

The 113th Session of the Monthly Lecture Series of the **National Trust - Sri Lanka** will be held at the HNB Auditorium, 22nd Floor, HNB Towers, 479 T.B. Jayah Mawatha, Colombo 10 at 6.30p.m. on Thursday 31st January 2019.

My experiences in Parliament, when at the Galle Face Building, House of Representatives and the move to Sri Jayawadenapura Kotte.

Service in Parliament as Clerk and Secretary General for 33 years under 7 speakers starting with R.S. Pelpola to K.B. Ratnayake. Primary task were advising speaker on questions of Parliamentary procedures and privilege. In addition having a staff of 800 and head of Administration responsible for all Legislative Committees, Hansard, Parliamentary Hierarchy, Interpretation Department and Refreshers areas and Gardens



Mr. Nihal Seneviratne is a distinguished retired Civil Servant who joined the Parliament in June 1961 as Second Clerk Assistant and stepped to Clerk Assistant in 1975 and then rising to Clerk of House of Representatives and Secretary General Parliament in 1977 to 1994.

He received training in Parliamentary procedures and practices in the House of Commons UK, House of Commons Canada, and Congress – United States of America, having participated in over 30 Commonwealth and Inter Parliamentary Union Conferences in different capitals from 1961 to 1994 accompanying Parliamentary Delegations.

After retirement, he served as Parliamentary Advisor to Hon. Prime Minister Ratnasiri Wickramanayake and Hon. Speaker Anura Dias Bandaranaike.

He is presently a Member of the Public Services Commission and Chairman of the Dispute Resolution Committee Press Council of Sri Lanka.

Mr. Seneviratne studied at Royal College, Colombo and obtained his LLB in Law from the University of Ceylon Peradeniya in 1958 and an Advocate of the Supreme Court of Ceylon.

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