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"Our task must be to free ourselves...by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty" Albert Einstein

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Education

- 2013–2016 PhD, Saitama university, Saitama, Japan.
- 2006–2011 **BSc**, *University of Ruhuna*, Matara, Sri Lanka, . Specialized in Limnology

Doctoral thesis

- Title The influence of sediment deposition and erosion processes on the colonization of riparian vegetation in middle river reaches
- Description In my Phd research, I used GIS and remote sensing techniques to study the habitat changes of the Japanese rivers and the sediment erosion and deposition processes over time. In addition, the vegetation colonization processes after the gravel sediment deposition in river channels were studied to understand the influence of gravel sediment on riparian vegetation colonization. Moreover, an existing dynamic riparian vegetation model was modified and used to forecast the riparian vegetation processes with the changing flood regimes. Then this model was validated and applied to different rivers in Japan to describe the habitat deterioration of modern Japanese rivers.

Experience

Vocational

2017–up to **Senior Lecturer**, University of Ruhuna, Matara, Sri Lanka, 81000. date

- 2016-2017 **Temporary Senior Lecturer**, University of Ruhuna, Matara, Sri Lanka, 81000.
- 2011-2013 Temporary Lecturer, University of Ruhuna, Matara, Sri Lanka, 81000.

Computer skills

Operating	Windows	Statistical	Advanced knowledge of
systems:		Packages:	SPSS for windows, PRIMER
			v-5
Office	Exel, Word, Access, Power	GIS software:	Arc GIS, Ilwis, QGIS,
packages:	point		SAGA GIS
Languages	Fortran	Numerical	HEC RAS, DRIPVEM for
and Scripts:		models:	riparian vegetation model-
			ing, ARIMA, Sedtrans5

Awards

The Japanese government scholarship (MEXT) to pursue the degree of Doctor of Philosophy

Full scholarship for the training course on Regional Climate Change and Coastal Disaster Mitigation, 17-20 September, 2018, Tianjin, China

Academic experiences

- Reviewer of the Journal of Wetland Ecology and Management
- Reviewer of the Journal of Hydro-Environment Research
- Reviewer of the Journal of Asian Journal of Agriculture and Food Science
- Participation of the "Science Writing Workshop" Jointly organized by Sri Lanka Association For Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (SLAFAR) and Bay of Bengal Large Marine Ecosystem Project (BOBLME) from 29th April to 2nd May 2013
- Participation for the national seminar on Ground water organized by International Water Management Institute (IWMI), Sri Lanka, 2013

Publications

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K Sanjaya, H.B Asanthi, and U.A.D Jayasinghe. The effect of agricultural runoff on benthic macro-invertebrate diversity in a stream ecosystem at deniyaya matara. In *Proc. of the International Symposium on Agriculture and Environment*, 2011.

K Sanjaya, T Priyadarshan, and TMN Wijayaratna. Effect of rainfall abnormalities on rice yield in hambanthota district, sri lanka. *Asian journal of Agriculture and Food Science*, 2(6):494–499, 2014.

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