



# Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Quality and Productivity (SLAAQP)



**ICQCC 2024**  
*Sri Lanka*

## International Convention on Quality Control Circles



“ **BEYOND BOUNDARIES:  
A QUEST FOR QUALITY,  
PRODUCTIVITY,  
AND INNOVATION** ”

**11-14 November 2024**  
Colombo- Sri Lanka

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# Introduction

Since its inception in 1976, the International Convention on Quality Control Circles (ICQCC) has been a resounding success, having been held 48 times so far in different countries. ICQCC, often hailed as the "Quality Promoters," draws participants from diverse fields and industries worldwide. This cohesive event unites organizations across the globe, fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange.

As a proud member of the CCM of ICQCC, the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Quality and Productivity (SLAAQP) previously hosted the ICQCC in 2014. Now, after a decade, we are honored to once again serve as the host for the 49th ICQCC, which will take place in Colombo, the bustling commercial capital of Sri Lanka.

The 49th ICQCC promises to be an enriching experience for all participants. Through engaging presentations and the exchange of innovative ideas, we aim to showcase the best quality improvement projects, inspiring attendees and facilitating mutual learning. Additionally, we will recognize outstanding contributions with the prestigious Gold and Silver Awards.



# Introduction

We extend a warm welcome to participants from every corner of the globe. Sri Lanka, often referred to as the “Pearl of the Indian Ocean,” boasts breathtaking scenic beauty and has been consistently recommended as a top travel destination by Trip Advisor.

Join us in Colombo for the 49th ICQCC - an event that celebrates excellence, fosters collaboration, and propels the quality movement forward.



# Introduction

## **Important Dates:**

- Meeting Dates: November 11-14, 2024.

## **Call for papers and Recruitment of participants**

- Announcement: 26th February, 2024.
- ICQCC registrations start on: 15th March, 2024.
- Submission of Abstracts: 1st June, 2024.
- Submission of Full Report & PPT Presentations: 31st July, 2024.

## **Presentation Categories:**

- QC Circle (QCC),
- Cross Functional Teams (CFT),
- Quality Improvement Projects (QIP),
- Lean Six Sigma (LSS).

## **Time:**

- QCC/CFT/QIP - 15 min. Presentation + 5 min. Question and Answer Time
- LSS - 20 min. Presentation + 5 min. Question and Answer Time

## **Award Setting**

- Gold and Silver
- Platinum Award: For best teams based on project evaluations



# Tentative - Session Plan

Date	Time	Agenda
Nov 10 (Sunday)	Morning	ICQCC Research Conference Opening/Parallel Sessions
	Afternoon	Parallel Sessions
	Evening	Parallel Sessions
Nov 11 (Monday)	Morning	Registration
	Afternoon	Opening Ceremony
	Evening	Welcome Cocktail



# Tentative - Session Plan

Date	Time	Agenda
Nov 12 (Tuesday)	Morning	1. Parallel Session 2. Announcement of Awards
	Afternoon	1. Parallel Session 2. Announcement of Awards
	Evening	CCM Meeting
Nov 13 (Wednesday)	All-day	1. Parallel Session 2. Announcement of Awards
	Evening	Closing Ceremony and Gala Dinner
Nov 14 (Thursday)	All-day	Company Visit



# Registration Fees

Type	Early Bird (before July 31, 2024)	Regular (from August 1, 2024)
Online	\$1000/Group	\$1200/Group
Onsite	\$580/Person	\$600/Person
Observer	\$550/Person	\$570/Person



# CCM ORGANIZATIONS

- Bangladesh Society for Total Quality Management (BSTQM)
- China Association for Quality (CAQ)
- Hongkong Productivity Council (HKPC)
- Indonesian Quality Management Association (IQMA)
- Korean Standards Association (KSA)
- Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC)
- National Productivity and Competitiveness Council of Mauritius (NPCCM)
- Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI)
- Quality and Productivity Association of the Philippines (QPAP)
- Singapore Productivity Association (SPA)
- Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Quality & Productivity (SLAAQP)
- The Association of Pioneer Quality Control Research (PQCRA)
- The Association of QC Headquarters of Thailand (QCHQ)
- Union of Japanese Scientists & Engineers (JUSE)





# ICQCC 2024 Research Conference

**Await to hear, about the Research Conference in Colombo, Sri Lanka on the 10th November, 2024.**

- Papers are classified according to 5 categories: Technical/ Application papers, Research papers, Case Studies, Conceptual papers and General Reviews.
- The best papers will be reviewed by several editors and published in the following journals.

**1. South Asian Journal of Marketing**

-(Emerald Publishing)

**2. South Asian Journal of Tourism and Hospitality**

-(Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka)

**3. Asian Journal of Management Studies**

-(Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka)

**4. Asian Journal of Finance**

-(Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka)

**5. University of Colombo Review**

-( University of Colombo, Sri Lanka)

**6. Sri Lankan Journal of Management**

-(Postgraduate Institute of Management, Sri Lanka)



# Explore Sri Lanka



## Day Excursion in Colombo.

Colombo City Tour.

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for a city tour of Colombo.

Galle Face Green:- This is iconic ocean-side promenade, perfect for a leisurely stroll or to watch a breathtaking sunset.

Gangaramaya Temple:- Visit this architectural marvel, a blend of various Asian styles, adorned with intricate carvings, statues, and religious artifacts.

Independence Square:- Discover the historical significance of this landmark, commemorating Sri Lanka's independence from British rule, set amidst beautifully landscaped gardens.

Pettah Market:- Immerse yourself in the bustling atmosphere of this vibrant marketplace, known for its colorful stalls selling everything from spices to textiles.

Colombo Fort:- explore the commercial hub of Colombo, with its modern skyscrapers juxtaposed against colonial-era buildings, showcasing the city's dynamic architectural blend.



## Day Excursions to Kandy.

Colombo / Pinnawala / Kandy / Colombo.

Colombo – Pinnawala approximate travel distance and time | 99km and 2 hours 30min drive

Pinnawala – Kandy approximate travel distance and time | 46km and 1- hours 30min drive

Kandy – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 151km and 3- hours 30min drive.

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Kandy by coach.

On the way to Kandy, stop to visit Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage. The Orphanage is a sanctuary of compassion and wonder. Here, majestic elephants find refuge and care, offering a unique opportunity to witness these gentle giants up close.

Continue to Kandy.

In the late afternoon, visit the Kandy city. Kandy is a scenic city located in the central region of Sri Lanka, known for its rich cultural heritage, lush landscapes, and historic sites.

Visit Kandy Temple. This is a sacred sanctuary steeped in centuries of spiritual reverence. Enshrined within its hallowed halls is a precious relic believed to be a tooth of the Buddha, drawing pilgrims and visitors from around the world. As incense wafts through the air and devotees offer prayers, the temple exudes an aura of serenity and devotion.

After this, return to Colombo.



# Explore Sri Lanka



## Day Excursions to Bentota

### Colombo / Beruwala / Madu Ganga / Colombo

Colombo – Beruwala approximate travel distance and time | 135km and 2 hours' drive

Beruwala– Madu Ganga approximate travel distance and time | 33km and 1 hours' drive

Madu Ganga– Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 110km and 2-hours drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Beruwala.

Discover the tranquil oasis of Bevis Bawa's Brief Garden in Beruwala, Sri Lanka. Immerse yourself in lush greenery, vibrant blooms, and artistic sculptures in this enchanting botanical haven.

Leave for Madu Ganga Boat ride.

Embark on a serene journey through the enchanting waters of the Madu Ganga River in Sri Lanka. As you glide along on a boat, surrounded by lush mangrove forests and vibrant biodiversity, you'll feel immersed in the tranquil beauty of nature. Witness exotic bird species fluttering overhead, glimpse colorful fish darting beneath the surface, and marvel at the intricate ecosystem that thrives along the riverbanks.

Return to Colombo,



## Day Excursions to Bentota

### Colombo / Madu Ganga / Bentota/ Colombo

Colombo – Madu Ganga approximate travel distance and time | 129km and 2 hours' drive

Madu Ganga – Bentota approximate travel distance and time | 23km and 30min drive

Bentota– Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 84km and 2- hours' drive.

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Madu Ganga by coach.

Embark on a serene journey through the enchanting waters of the Madu Ganga River in Sri Lanka. As you glide along on a boat, surrounded by lush mangrove forests and vibrant biodiversity, you'll feel immersed in the tranquil beauty of nature. Witness exotic bird species fluttering overhead, glimpse colorful fish darting beneath the surface, and marvel at the intricate ecosystem that thrives along the riverbanks.

Continue to Bentota.

Experience the thrill of water sports in Bentota, Sri Lanka's premier coastal destination. With its pristine beaches and warm, turquoise waters, Bentota offers an ideal playground for adventure seekers. Feel the rush of adrenaline as you indulge in a variety of activities such as jet skiing, windsurfing, parasailing, and banana boat rides. Whether you' are a beginner or a seasoned enthusiast, there's something for everyone to enjoy amidst the breathtaking beauty of Bentota's coastline.

Return to Colombo.



# Explore Sri Lanka



## Day Excursions to Galle

### Colombo / Galle/ Kosgoda/ Colombo

Colombo – Galle approximate travel distance and time | 135km and 2 hours drive

Galle– Kosgoda approximate travel distance and time | 62km and 1-hours 30min drive

Kosgoda– Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 101km and 2-hours drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Galle.

Explore the historic charm of Galle and its iconic fort. Discover centuries-old architecture, quaint cobblestone streets, and panoramic ocean views in this captivating coastal town.

Leave for Kosgoda.

Visit Kosgoda Turtle Conservation Center to witness the remarkable efforts made in protecting endangered sea turtles.

Return to Colombo.



## Day Excursions to Galle

### Colombo / Galle/ Hadungoda/ Colombo

Colombo – Galle approximate travel distance and time | 135km and 2 hours drive

Galle– Hadungoda approximate travel distance and time | 30km and 1-hours drive

Hadungoda– Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 142km and 2-hours 30min drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Galle,

Explore the historic charm of Galle and its iconic fort. Discover centuries-old architecture, quaint cobblestone streets, and panoramic ocean views in this captivating coastal town.

Leave for Kosgoda,

Experience the artistry of tea production with a visit to Handunugoda Virgin Tea Factory. Explore the verdant tea fields, learn about the delicate process of crafting fine tea, and savor the exquisite flavors of freshly brewed teas in this captivating Sri Lankan gem.

Return to Colombo,



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1 NIGHT / 2 DAYS IN SRI LANKA





# Explore Sri Lanka



## 1 Night 2 Days Program – Kandy

Day 01: Colombo / Pinnawala / Kandy

Colombo – Pinnawala approximate travel distance and time | 99km and 2 hours 30min drive.

Pinnawala – Kandy approximate travel distance and time | 46km and 1- hours 30min drive.

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Continue to Kandy,

Late afternoon, visit the Kandy city. Kandy is a scenic city located in the central region of Sri Lanka, known for its rich cultural heritage, lush landscapes, and historic sites.

In the evening, visit Kandy Temple in time for the Pooja ceremony. Kandy Temple is a sacred sanctuary steeped in centuries of spiritual reverence. Enshrined within its hallowed halls is a precious relic believed to be a tooth of the Buddha, drawing pilgrims and visitors from around the world. As incense wafts through the air and devotees offer prayers, the temple exudes an aura of serenity and devotion

After this, return to the hotel.

## Overnight stay in a Kandy Hotel



## Day 02: Kandy / Peradeniya / Colombo

Kandy – Peradeniya approximate travel distance and time | 11km and 30min drive

Peradeniya – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 125km and 3 hours 30min drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Peradeniya.

Peradeniya Botanical Garden, is a captivating oasis of natural beauty and tranquility. With its vibrant array of exotic flora, towering trees, and colorful blooms, it offers visitors a sensory feast for the eyes and soul. Stroll along winding pathways adorned with fragrant orchids, towering palms, and lush foliage, while the gentle rustle of leaves and melodious chirping of birds create a symphony of serenity.

Return to Colombo,



# Explore Sri Lanka



## 1 Night 2 Days Program – Galle

### Day 01: Colombo / Galle / Handungoda / Unawatuna

Colombo – Galle approximate travel distance and time | 135km and 2 hours' drive

Galle– Handungoda approximate travel distance and time | 30km and 1 hours' drive.

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Galle by coach.

Explore the historic charm of Galle and its iconic fort. Discover centuries-old architecture, quaint cobblestone streets, and panoramic ocean views in this captivating coastal town.

Continue to Handungoda virgin tea estate.

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Return to Unawtauna and check-in to the hotel,  
**Overnight stay in a Unawatuna Hotel**

### Day 02: Galle / Kosgoda / Lunuganga / Colombo

Galle – Kosgoda approximate travel distance and time | 50km and 1 hours' 30min drive

Kosgoda – Lunuganga approximate travel distance and time | 17km and 30min drive

Lunuganga – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 100km and 2 hours' drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Kosgoda.

The Kosgoda Turtle Care Center is a great place to learn and love nature while also having fun.

Continue the journey to Lunuganga.

Step into a realm of natural splendor with a visit to the renowned Sri Lankan architect Geoffrey Bawa's estate, Lunuganga Garden in Sri Lanka. Lunuganga Garden offers a serene retreat, inviting visitors to immerse themselves in its timeless beauty and architectural ingenuity.

Return to Colombo.





# Explore Sri Lanka



## 1 Night 2 Days Program – Udawalawe

### Day 01: Colombo / Galle / Udawalawe

Colombo – Galle approximate travel distance and time | 135km and 2 hours drive

Galle– Udawalawe approximate travel distance and time | 133km and 2-hours 30min drive.

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Galle by coach.

Explore the historic charm of Galle and its iconic fort. Discover centuries-old architecture, quaint cobblestone streets, and panoramic ocean views in this captivating coastal town.

Continue to Udawalawe,

Arrive and check-in to the hotel,

Experience the authentic charm of Udawalawe with a village walk and talk with locals, followed by a delightful cup of tea. Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture and traditions of the village as you stroll through its picturesque streets, interacting with friendly residents along the way.

## Overnight stay in a Udawalawe Hotel

### Day 02: Udawalawe / Colombo

Udawalawe – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 245km and 4 hours drive

After breakfast at the hotel, Embark on an exhilarating evening game drive in Udawalawe National Park, Sri Lanka's premier wildlife sanctuary. As the sun sets, set out in search of elusive nocturnal creatures and witness the park's inhabitants in their natural habitat. Keep your eyes peeled for majestic elephants, stealthy leopards, and a myriad of other wildlife species that roam freely in this vast wilderness.

Return to Colombo,







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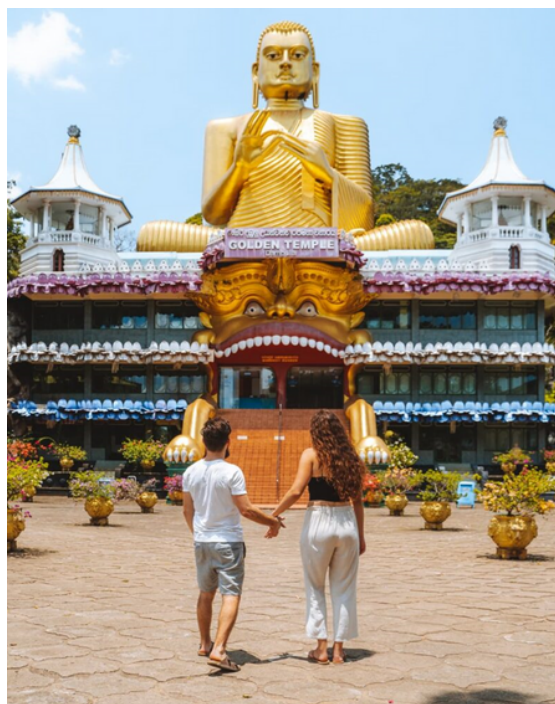


2 NIGHTS / 3 DAYS IN SRI LANKA





# Explore Sri Lanka



## 2 Nights 3 Days Program – Habarana

Day 01: Colombo / Dambulla / Habarana

Colombo – Dambulla approximate travel distance and time | 166km and 3 hours 30min drive

Dambulla – Habarana approximate travel distance and time | 27km and 30min drive

After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Habarana by coach.

On the way to Kandy, stop to visit Dambulla cave temple. Discover the awe-inspiring Dambulla Cave Temple in Sri Lanka. Carved into a massive rock, this UNESCO World Heritage site houses ancient Buddhist murals and statues, offering a mesmerizing glimpse into the island's rich cultural heritage and spiritual significance.

Continue to Habarana. Check-in to the hotel.

**Overnight stay in a Habarana Hotel.**

## Day 02: Habarana/ Sigiriya / Minneriya

Habarana – Sigiriya approximate travel distance and time | 21km and 30min drive

Sigiriya – Minneriya approximate travel distance and time | 21km and 30min drive.

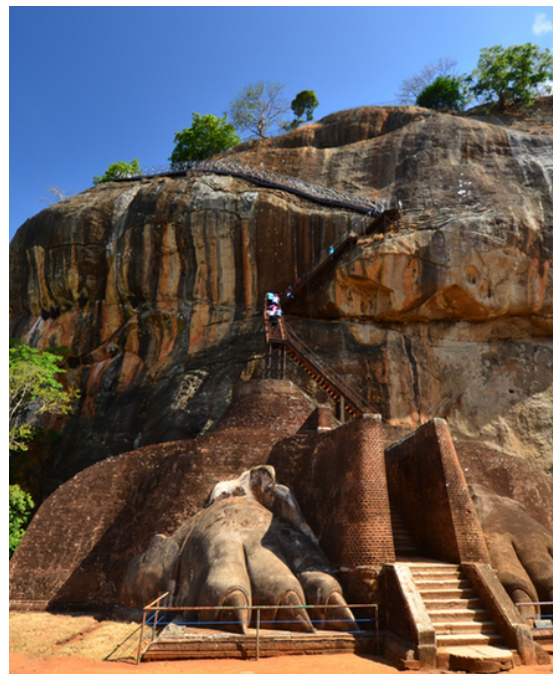
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Sigiriya Rock, rising majestically in Sri Lanka's heartland, is a UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its ancient rock fortress and stunning panoramic views. Ascend the steep steps to explore the remnants of an ancient civilization atop this iconic monolith, where once stood a palace adorned with intricate frescoes.

Late afternoon, experience a game drive in Minneriya National Park.

Embark on a thrilling half-day jeep safari in Minneriya National Park, Sri Lanka. Traverse rugged terrain as you venture into the heart of the wilderness, encountering diverse wildlife including majestic elephants, elusive leopards, and colorful bird species. Marvel at the natural beauty of the park's landscapes, from sprawling grasslands to serene lakeshores.

**Overnight stay in a Habarana Hotel.**





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## **Day 03: Habarana/ Colombo**

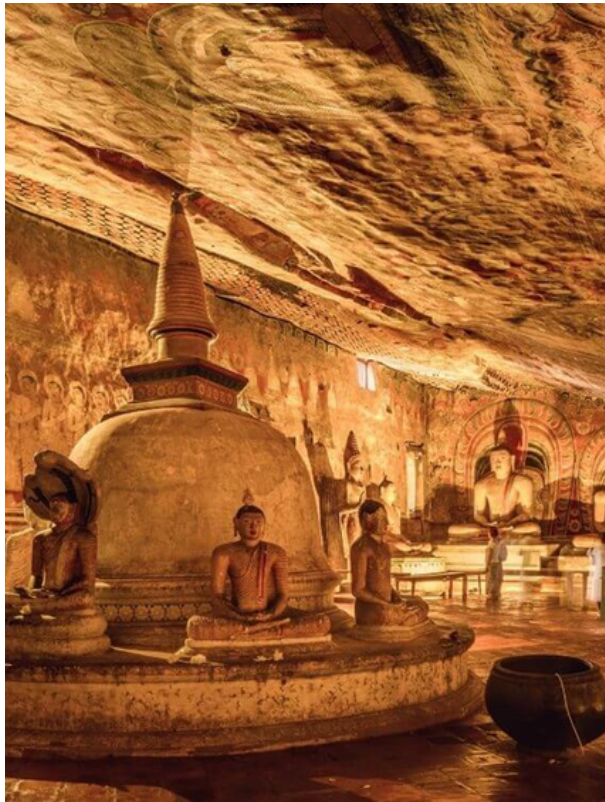
Habarana – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 11km and 30min drive.

Minneriya – Colombo approximate travel distance and time | 186km and 4 hours' drive.

**After breakfast at the hotel, leave for Colombo.**



# Explore Sri Lanka



## 2 Nights 3 Days Program – Habarana and Kandy

### Day 01: Colombo / Dambulla / Habarana

Colombo – Dambulla approximate travel distance and time | 166km and 3 hours 30min drive.

Dambulla – Habarana approximate travel distance and time | 27km and 30min drive.

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Continue to Habarana. Check-in to the hotel. Late afternoon, leisure.

### Overnight stay in a Habarana Hotel

### Day 02: Habarana/ Sigiriya / Kandy

Habarana – Sigiriya approximate travel distance and time | 21km and 30min drive.

Sigiriya – Kandy approximate travel distance and time | 96km and 3 hours drive.

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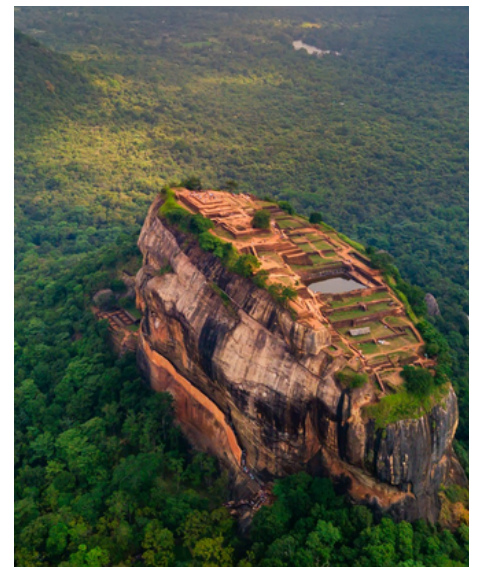
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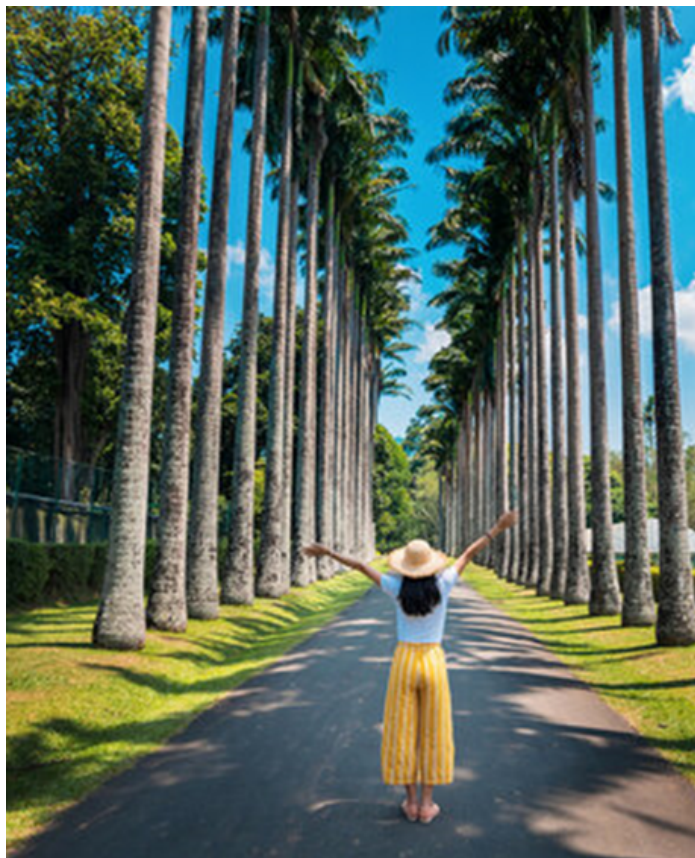
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