



## **Sri Lanka Medical Association**

### **Call for Applications Deshabandu Dr. C. G. Urugoda Oration on the History of Medicine 2024**

This oration was established as a lecture in the year 2012, the 126<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the Sri Lanka Medical Association (SLMA), to commemorate establishment of the SLMA by a meeting attended by a group of doctors at the Colonial Medical Library in Colombo on 26 February 1887 to discuss the formation of the Ceylon Branch of the British Medical Association, which later became the Sri Lanka Medical Association.

The lecture was renamed the Dr. C. G. Urugoda Lecture on the History of Medicine in the year 2017 to honour the lasting contribution made by Dr. C. G. Urugoda to document, “The History of Medicine in Sri Lanka”. In 2020, on the demise of Dr. C. G. Urugoda, the Council of the SLMA decided to elevate the lecture to that of an Oration and also add his national titular honour Deshabandu to the title of the Oration.

This oration is delivered on the 26<sup>th</sup> February of each year.

Applications are called for the Deshabandu Dr. C. G. Urugoda Oration to be delivered on 26 February 2024. Applicants should submit a short abstract of the proposed lecture (no more than 500 words, font size 12 in Times New Roman and margins set at 1 inch right round) and a brief curriculum vita (no more than 3 pages).

The orator should have been considerably associated with and contributed to the field of medicine in his/her chosen topic.

The SLMA will give presently to application in areas of medicine that have not been covered in previous orations. A list of past orations can be found on the SLMA website – <http://www.slma.lk>. Applicants should bear in mind that they must make themselves available to deliver the oration on 26 February 2024 at the SLMA Auditorium (if selected) as the oration is delivered to mark the founding of the SLMA.

Applications should be submitted to the Honorary Secretary, SLMA, on or before 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023.