



PRESS RELEASE

Team Sri Lanka Presented Ahead of 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026

Colombo, 11 September 2026 – The National Olympic Committee of Sri Lanka (NOC Sri Lanka) officially presented Team Sri Lanka for the 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026 at a special press conference held on 09 September 2026 at the Duncan White Auditorium, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

The press conference was attended by the Hon. Sunil Kumara Gamage, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Mr. A. H. M. U. Aruna Bandara, Secretary of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Mr. S. Achchuthan, Director General of Sports, Mr. Asanga Seneviratne, President of NOC Sri Lanka, Mr. Rifdy Fahmy, Secretary General of NOC Sri Lanka, together with other dignitaries and officials of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and NOC Sri Lanka. The event provided an overview of Team Sri Lanka, including the composition of the national contingent, participating sports, competition schedules and key arrangements for the delegation ahead of the Games.

Team Sri Lanka will travel to Japan with a contingent of 156 athletes, comprising 100 male and 56 female athletes, who will compete across 25 sports disciplines.

The Sri Lankan contingent will compete across Aquatics – Swimming and Diving, Archery, Artistic Gymnastics, Judo, Rowing, Rugby Sevens, Table Tennis, Squash, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Basketball 3x3, Wushu, Kabaddi, Beach Volleyball, Athletics, Boxing, Karate, Sailing, Taekwondo, Surfing, Badminton, Cricket, Golf, Modern Pentathlon and Hockey.

The delegation will be led by Chef de Mission Group Captain Eranda Geeganage, with Deputy Chef de Mission Mr. Ashok Jeyakumar supporting the leadership and coordination of Team Sri Lanka throughout the Games. Together with the wider management and support team, they will oversee the operational, administrative and athlete-support requirements of the Sri Lankan delegation during its participation in Aichi-Nagoya.

In relation to accommodation arrangements for participating delegations, NOC Sri Lanka is aware of the ongoing capacity arrangements being addressed by the Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Games organisers. NOC Sri Lanka remains in close communication with the relevant parties and is closely monitoring the arrangements for Team Sri Lanka. The wellbeing, comfort and preparedness of the team remain a priority, and NOC Sri Lanka is confident that the necessary arrangements will be in place ahead of the Games.

The Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games will officially commence with the Opening Ceremony on 19 September 2026 and conclude on 4 October 2026. Sri Lankan athletes will begin their competition programme ahead of the Opening Ceremony, with Modern Pentathlon scheduled to begin on the 16th September, followed by competitions across the remaining disciplines throughout the Games period. As Team Sri Lanka's preparations continue, NOC Sri Lanka is pleased to announce Isiwara De Silva and Nuyara Nisindi Fernando as the Flag Bearers of Team Sri Lanka for the Opening Ceremony of the 20th Asian Games.



Isiwaruna De Silva is a Sri Lankan Modern Pentathlete who has proudly represented Sri Lanka at national and international level. He has competed at major international events, including the Asian Championships and the UIPM World Pentathlon World Cup, and achieved notable top-10 finishes at the UIPM Biathle and Triathle World Championship. Joining him as Flag Bearer will be Nuyara Nisindi Fernando, a talented Sri Lankan Artistic Gymnast who has proudly represented Sri Lanka at both national and international levels. She has gained valuable international experience competing at the Asian Artistic Gymnastics Championships, Commonwealth Gymnastics Championships and the World Artistic Gymnastics Championships, as well as the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games earlier this year.

A key highlight of the press conference was the unveiling of the official Team Sri Lanka Team Attire, by MAS Holdings, the Official Team Attire Partner of Team Sri Lanka for the 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026. The Official Opening Ceremony Attire, by LOVI Ceylon, the Official Opening Ceremony Attire Partner of Team Sri Lanka for the 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026, was also unveiled at the event.

Team Sri Lanka now enters the final stage of its preparations for Aichi-Nagoya 2026, united by a shared commitment to represent the nation with courage, integrity, discipline and excellence. NOC Sri Lanka extends its very best wishes to all athletes, coaches, officials and members of the delegation as they undertake the honour and responsibility of representing Sri Lanka at the 20th Asian Games.

NOC Sri Lanka calls upon all Sri Lankans to stand behind Team Sri Lanka and support the athletes as they take the national colours to the Asian stage. Their journey is a reflection of years of dedication and sacrifice, and an opportunity to represent the nation with pride and uphold the values of sport, friendship and excellence.

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Note: The full list of the contingent is given below.

**Team Sri Lanka – 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026**

Aquatics - Swimming			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Disandu Himsara Niriella	Athlete	Men’s 50 Freestyle
			Men’s 100 Freestyle
			Men's 50 Butterfly
02	Yalindi Minagi Rupesinghe	Athlete	Women’s 200 Backstroke
			Women’s 100 Backstroke
			Women’s 200 Freestyle
Aquatics - Diving			
01	Dulanjan Kaushalya Fernando	Athlete	Men's 1m Springboard
			Men's 3m Springboard
02	W. M. Chanaka Duminda	Coach	

Archery			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Rehana Tayabally	Athlete	Women's Compound
02	Anuradha Wijesinghe Karunaratne	Athlete	
03	Nipun Sangeeth Senevirathne	Coach	

Athletics			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Rumesh Tharanga Pathirage	Athlete	Men's Javelin Throw
02	H. K. Kalinga Kumara	Athlete	Men's 400m
			Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
			Men's 4 x 400m Relay
03	K. Kalhara Idupa Silva	Athlete	Men's 400m
			Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
			Men's 4 x 400m Relay
04	R. M. Sumedha Jagath Ranasinghe	Athlete	Men's Javelin Throw
05	S. M. Sadev Wimansa Rajakaruna	Athlete	Men's 4 x 400m
			Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
06	J. Omel Shashantha Silva	Athlete	Men's 4 x 400m Relay
07	P. M. Pasindu Lakshan Kodikara	Athlete	Men's 4 x 400m Relay
08	D. M. Harsha Sandaruwan Karunarathna	Athlete	Men's 800m
09	S. Aruna Dharshana	Athlete	Men's 4 x 400m Relay
10	R. Roshan Dammika Ranatunga	Athlete	Men's 110m Hurdles
11	K. L. Ayomal Akalanka	Athlete	Men's 400m Hurdles
12	A. Tharusha Dinushan Mendis	Athlete	Men's High Jump
13	J. H. Gayan Sampath	Athlete	Men's Long Jump



14	A. W. G. Jithma Shenari Wijethunga	Athlete	Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
			Women's 4 x 400m Relay
15	B. Sayuri Lakshima Mendis	Athlete	Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
			Women's 4 x 400m Relay
16	L. G. Araliya Sathsarani	Athlete	Mixed 4 x 400m Relay
			Women's 4 x 400m Relay
17	H. L. Nadheesha Dilhani Lekamge	Athlete	Women's Javelin Throw
18	H. M. Nethmika Madushani Herath	Athlete	Women's Triple Jump
			Women's Long Jump
19	Takshima Nuhansa Kodithuwakku	Athlete	Women's 800m
20	F. D. Chalith Piumal	Athlete	Men's 4 x 100m Relay
21	Nadeesha Ramanayaka	Athlete	Women's 4 x 400m Relay
22	Dineth Induwara Weeraratna	Athlete	Men's 4 x 100m Relay
23	Merone Julian Wijesinghe	Athlete	Men's 4 x 100m Relay
24	Y. Chamod Mahinsasa Yodhasinghe	Athlete	Men's 4 x 100m Relay
25	I. M. Ranasinghe	Team Manager	
26	M. G. Krishantha Kumara	Coach	
27	M. A. Susantha Fernando	Coach	
28	M. A. Tony Prasanna	Coach	
29	K. K. Sumith Jayantha	Coach	
30	P. H. Anura Bandara	Coach	
31	K. K. D. Nipuna Nirmal Kumara	Coach	
32	E. G. Thiron Indika Gamage	Coach	

Badminton			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	P. A. Viren Anudha Nettasinghe	Athlete	Men's Single
02	Dumindu Warnaka Abeywickrama	Athlete	Men's Single
03	W.L. Ranithma Thinudi	Athlete	Women's Single
04	Yohanes Timothy Yakob Yotye Rambitan	Coach	

Boxing			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	G. J. K. Ravindu Jayanath Kumara	Athlete	Men's 60kg
02	P. A. Rukmal Prasanna	Athlete	Men's 55kg
03	Mohammed Usaith Yazmin	Athlete	Men's 80kg
04	P. M. Lahiru Lakmal Chandrabandara	Athlete	Men's 70kg
05	R. A. Nadeeka Pushpakumari	Athlete	Women's 51kg
06	K. A. Keshani Hansika Kasthuri Arachchi	Athlete	Women's 54kg
07	M. P. Sajeewani Srimali Cooray	Athlete	Women's 60Kg
08	M. Arjuna Lanka Perera	Team Manager	
09	K. Amila Aravinda Thissera	Head Coach	
10	Nikshan Sajeewa Dasanayaka	Assistant Coach 1	
11	T. Jamitha Gayan Bandara	Assistant Coach 2	



Cricket T20			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Dian Lasith Shenan Croospulle	Athlete	Men's Team
02	D. P. Dilantha Niroshan Dickwella	Athlete	
03	M.D. Sineth Lakvan Mario Jayawardena	Athlete	
04	M. Nuwanidu Keshawa Fernando	Athlete	
05	A. Sahan Shashintha Diyamantha	Athlete	
06	K. G. Nadeeja Ashen Bandara	Athlete	
07	Chamika Dinusha Karunaratne	Athlete	
08	K. R. Tharindu Hasanka	Athlete	
09	M. D. Wanuja Sahan Kumara	Athlete	
10	Viyaskanth Vijayakanth	Athlete	
11	M.A. Dushan Ishara Hemantha	Athlete	
12	I.D. Nuwan Thushara	Athlete	
13	K. Binura Udara Fernando	Athlete	
14	L. Pramod Madushan	Athlete	
15	M. K. Sohan Thathsara De Livera	Athlete	
16	S. M. Nishad Tharanga Paranavithana	Manager	
17	Ashan Priyanjan Ratnayake	Head Coach	
18	Anusha Samaranyake	Fast Bowling Coach	
19	M. P. Upul Chandana	Spin Bowling Coach	
20	M. P. Ajantha Kumara Wattegama	Physiotherapist	
21	A. M. Chamari Jayangani Kumari Athapaththu	Athlete	Women's Team
22	R. M. Vishmi Dewmini Gunarathne	Athlete	
23	E. Sanjana Kavindi De Silva	Athlete	
24	W. Imesha Dulani	Athlete	
25	E. M. Kaushini Nuthyanga Seram Senevirathne	Athlete	
26	D .S. Harshitha Madhavi	Athlete	
27	Nishshanka Nilakshika Damayanthi Silva	Athlete	
28	W. Kaveesha Dilhari	Athlete	
29	H. L.G. Rashmika Sewwandi	Athlete	
30	Sugandika Manel Kumari Dasanayaka	Athlete	
31	Nimasha Madushani Meepage	Athlete	
32	H. M. Chamudi Prabodha Munasingha	Athlete	
33	H. G. Kawya Kavindi	Athlete	
34	T. A. G. Mithali Ayodhya Bandara	Athlete	
35	G. W. Hasini Madushika Perera	Athlete	
36	B. Indrani Mallika Ariyaratne	Manager	
37	James Darren Siddons	Head Coach	
38	W. D. Duminda Sanjeewa Perera	Batting Coach	
39	Sajeewa Weerakoon	Bowling Coach	
40	R. M. Hasini Kethakee Weerasooriya	Physiotherapist	



Golf			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Nadaraja Thangaraja	Athlete	Men's Individual Stroke Play
			Men's Team
02	Kanas Kumar Danushan	Athlete	Men's Individual Stroke Play
			Men's Team
03	K. Mithun Chamika Udayanga Perera	Athlete	Men's Individual Stroke Play
			Men's Team
04	Ranil Peiris	Manager	

Gymnastics - Artistic Gymnastics			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	A. D. D. Nadila Nethviru	Athlete	Men's All-Around
02	Nuyara Nisindi Fernando	Athlete	Women's All-Around
03	W. Ranjana Tharanga	Coach	Men's All-Around
04	G. Kaushani Chaturya Gunasinghe	Coach	Women's All-Around

Judo			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	W. A. Wimukthi Priyankara Premarathna	Athlete	Men's -60kg
02	R. Chamara Nuwan Dharmawardhana	Athlete	Men's -73kg
03	K. M. D. Daham Aloba Wipulaweera	Athlete	Men's -66kg
04	M. A. Milan Marko	Athlete	Men's -90kg
05	D. Lalith Channa Kumara Somarathne	Coach	

Karate - Kara			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Brion Edward	Athlete	Men's Individual Kata
02	R. J. Edward	Coach	

Modern Pentathlon			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	U. Isiwarauna Oshada De Silva	Athlete	
02	L. K. Gayani Kumudu Kumari Dassanayake	Athlete	
03	Prabod Dharshana Munasinghe	Manager	



Rowing			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	M. N. Mohamed Nafiran	Athlete	Men's Single Scull
			Men's Double Scull
02	E. M. Nuwan Sampath Sagara	Athlete	Men's Double Scull
03	A. M. M. Mangala Madhusanka Alagiyawanna	Coach	

Rugby Sevens			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	W. Chathura Sandeepa Soysa	Athlete	Men's Team
02	M. Naveen Vishwajith	Athlete	
03	Diluksha Gimalka Dange	Athlete	
04	K. D. Gayan Sandaruwan Perera	Athlete	
05	B. Janidu Dilshan Balage	Athlete	
06	G. Jayathu Chandimal Rajaratna	Athlete	
07	T. A. D. Kavindu Perera	Athlete	
08	W. B. Pasindu Thakshila	Athlete	
09	I. Shaahid Zumri	Athlete	
10	K. Dinal Sewmina Ekanayake	Athlete	
11	R. Akash Madusanka Singhe	Athlete	
12	Ravindu Anjula Hettiarachchi	Athlete	
13	R. Anuradha Srinath Sooriyabandara	Athlete	
14	K. Buddhika Janakanth Bandara	Manager	
15	Maas Shafin Majid	Physiotherapist	

Sailing			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Udara Deshabakthi Rajapaksha	Athlete	Men's Dinghy - ILCA 7
02	Arianna Taalya Tranchell	Athlete	Women's Dinghy - ILCA 6
03	W.P. Krishan Janaka	Coach	

Squash			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	V.S. Chanithma Sinaly	Athlete	Women's Single
02	H. Ravindu Hashintha Laksiri	Athlete	Men's Single
03	M.W. Mohomed Shamil	Athlete	Men's Single
04	H. Eranga Nuwan Alwis	Manager	



Surfing			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	M. P. M. Nuchitha Shashmin Irundika	Athlete	
02	W. W. Lahiru Piumal	Coach	

Table Tennis			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	K. Chanul Dulsen	Athlete	Men's Single
02	S.S.B. Bimandee Sandinsa	Athlete	Women's Single
03	D.Buddika Rajitha Bandara Dikkumbura	Coach	

Beach Volleyball			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	A. Sadun Madusanka Farnando	Athlete	Men's Team
02	R. P. Dileepa Chamika Senarathna	Athlete	
03	A. Kasuni Tharuka Lakshani	Athlete	Women's Team
04	K. G. Chathurika Madushani Weerasinghe	Athlete	
05	Onur Ergenc	Coach	Men's Team
06	B. Gnana Sagari Gunasingha	Coach	Women's Team

Weightlifting			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	S. W. K. R. Supun Dilhara Somathilaka	Athlete	Men's 60 kg
02	K. C. A. Sandu Duthshan Jayawardhana	Athlete	Men's 65 kg
03	J. G. Upamalika Ravihari Gunathilaka	Athlete	Women's 48 kg
04	R. M. Rathnathilaka Bandara Wickramasinghe	Coach	
05	G. G. Chaminda Nimal Gamage	Coach	

Wrestling			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	Charles Fernando Divoshan	Athlete	Men's Freestyle 65kg
02	E. M. Gayan Kathurangana	Athlete	Men's Freestyle 57kg
03	W. M. Madushanka Lakmal Wijesooriya	Athlete	Men's Freestyle 86kg
04	H. P. Nipuni Wasana Dharmadasa	Athlete	Women's Wrestling 50kg
05	P. Nethmi Ahinsa Fernando	Athlete	Women's Wrestling 57kg
06	N. K. Jagath Piyaratna	Manager/ Coach	
07	T. S. Suranga Kumara	Coach	



Hockey			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	H. M. Tharindu Kumara Hendeniya	Athlete	Men's Team
02	V. D. Nilaksha Amantha Silva	Athlete	
03	K. Nalantha Demian De Silva	Athlete	
04	R. A. Dammika Prabath Ranasingha	Athlete	
05	Pantiye Gedara Madushan Sameera Weerasuriya	Athlete	
06	B. A. D. Suren Hirusha Vimukthi	Athlete	
07	B. A. D. Ravidu Seran Nimanka	Athlete	
08	W. H. Kusal Heshan Thilakasiri	Athlete	
09	P. W. Madumal Niluksha Vimala Gunarathna	Athlete	
10	W. Srimath Ramal Bathiya De Alwis	Athlete	
11	H. M. Madushan Pramodd Bandara	Athlete	
12	W. W. A. Pramudya Udayashan Fernando	Athlete	
13	Sandaruwan Priyalanka Sudusinghe	Athlete	
14	K. M. Rajitha Dilan Kulathunga	Athlete	
15	R. M. Anuradha Suresh	Athlete	
16	B. A. Lakshan Sadaruwan	Athlete	
17	M. D. Maleesha Malshan Madurawala	Athlete	
18	Ross Abner Liptch Fernando	Athlete	
19	M. J. Mohomad Rifas	Head Coach	
20	D. M. N. Duminda Bandara Dissanayake	Assistant Coach	
21	I. P. Wijeratne	Manager	

3x3 Basketball			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	W. A. Senora Melani Perera	Athlete	Women's Team
02	W. M. D. Mindi Sakeesa Jesni	Athlete	
03	Jeevika Shonali Dharmasena	Athlete	
04	A. Pawani Manulya Tenali	Athlete	
05	Tharindu Darshana Fernando	Coach	
06	S. P. Danushki Pabasara Gunasekara	Manager	
07	Anthony Darren Bernard	Athlete	Men's Team
08	D. Sanjaan Weditha Gunaratna	Athlete	
09	Methika Yumeth Ransana Jayasinghe	Athlete	
10	W. Gushan Isuru Weerakkodi	Athlete	
11	Ajith Kuruppu	Coach	



Taekwondo			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	C. V. Annsofna	Athlete	Women's -57Kg
02	M. R. Romesh	Coach	

Wushu			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	W. M. Kaveesh Dileaksha Bandara	Athlete	Men's Changquan
02	K. D. T. Buddhi Dunstan	Coach	

Kabaddi			
No.	Name	Position	Event
01	A. P. Madurika Hansamali	Athlete	Women's Team
02	Diluxshana Vimalenthiran	Athlete	
03	Kajenthini Rasa	Athlete	
04	H. R. Shanika Sudarshani Bandara	Athlete	
05	D. G. Hansika Kumuduni Bandara	Athlete	
06	S. A. Upeksha Harshani Jayaweera	Athlete	
07	K. A. Anushika Sewmini Gunarathne	Athlete	
08	A. M. Navodya Sherangi	Athlete	
09	P. Madushani	Athlete	
10	Rasathurai Priyavarna	Athlete	
11	S. M. Nadeeka Gunasekara	Athlete	
12	U. Hirushi Kavindya Godamunne	Athlete	
13	R. P. Pradeep Prasanna	Coach	
14	S. G. Udara Chanaka Bandara	Manager	



Other Officials		
No.	Name	Position
01	Dineth Eranda Geeganage	Chef de Mission
02	V. Ajith Ashokkumar Jeyakumar	Deputy Chef de Mission
03	K.M. Chulapadma Lalindra Banda Senaratne	Doctor - Chief Medical Officer
04	L. D. Chaminda Kithsiri Perera	Doctor
05	G. Lal Kithsiri Ekanayake	Doctor
06	K. Anuradhini Awarjana de Silva	Physiotherapist
07	U. A. Imalsha Udayanjalee	Physiotherapist
08	U. G. Sameera Kalyanapriya	Masseur
09	M. G. Manjula Pradeep	Masseur
10	Ruwan Prabash Indika Wanigasena	Masseur
11	R. P. Harsha Prabath Perera	Masseur
12	D. Chathurangani Iresha Nanayakkara	Masseur
13	Chandima Sarathchandra Gurusinghe	Masseur
14	M. A. Buddhika Dilum Dayarathna	HQ Officials
15	H. M. Mahinda Senerath Bandara Herath	
16	Isuru Pavithra Fernando	
17	M. D. Asanka Aryachandra	
18	R. M. Sampath Sanka Ratnayake	
19	S. A. D. L. W. Charuni Dissanayake	
20	Lal Raj Wickrematunge	Press Attaché
21	Yasodara Dunuwille Koralege	Press Attaché
22	Sivarajah Gobinath	Safeguarding Officer