

Janashakthi Life strengthens board with two new appointments

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Dr. Nishan de Mel



Sivakrishnarajah
Renganathan

Janashakthi Insurance PLC yesterday announced the appointments of Sivakrishnarajah Renganathan and Dr. Nishan de Mel as Independent Non-Executive Directors of the organisation, with effect from July 27, 2022.

Renganathan is the former Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC, Commercial Development Co. PLC and Deputy Chairman of Commercial Bank of Maldives.

Renganathan, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK (FCMA), Fellow of the Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA), Fellow of the London Institute of Banking and Finance, UK (FLIBF) and a Fellow of the Institute of Bankers Sri Lanka (FIB), had received extensive leadership, management and banking training, both locally and overseas. Dr. de Mel is Executive Director and Head of Research of Verité Research, a think tank providing analytical research and advisory services on economic,

political and legal issues in Sri Lanka and Asia. He is an economist with extensive academic, policy and private sector experience. In Sri Lanka, he has been a Member of the Presidential Task Force on Health Sector Reform, Presidential Committee on Tobacco, Alcohol and Dangerous Drug Regulation and National Steering Committee on Social Security.

He has also served as an Executive Director of the International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES) and on the board of the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute, amongst others. Furthermore, Dr. de Mel is already a Non-Executive Director in the board of First Capital Holdings PLC of the Janashakthi group. Internationally, Dr. de Mel has held several governing, teaching and research positions, including as a Lecturer in Economics at the University of Oxford, UK. His undergraduate degree in economics was from Harvard University, USA whilst he earned his masters and doctoral degrees in economics at the University of Oxford, where he was a Chevening scholar.