

HNB Launches Season Of Giving Initiative

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HNB launched the Stay Safe COVID Tracer solution across its entire branch network and the SOLO app. The solution has been introduced by the Information and Communication Technology Agency (ICTA) of Sri Lanka to help contain the spread of COVID-19. As a result, employees and visitors to HNB's Head Office and entire island-wide branch network will now be able to check-in and check-out by simply scanning a QR code placed prominently at each entrance. This contactless solution will be a convenient alternative to the requirement of writing visitor details in a physical log book. Providing added convenience to HNB SOLO users, the Bank has also enabled the reading of Stay Safe COVID QR codes using the HNB SOLO mobile App, meaning that the SOLO App can also double as a tool for anyone to download and use as a trusted scanner for Stay Safe QR Codes at any location. Thereafter, when visiting any HNB branch, or any other public location that displays the Stay Safe COVID Tracer QR code, visitors can simply scan the QR code when entering and exiting the premises. "HNB is proud to support the vital efforts of the Government in using technology to improve the speed and effectiveness of contact tracing at a national scale. This is an initiative, which will be essential in breaking chains of transmission. As a bank with one of the largest retail footprints in the country, we are doing our utmost to help our customers and employees stay safe during the COVID pandemic. This includes rapidly expanding access to digitized services, and taking all possible precautions including stringent social distancing measures. We urge all citizens to also extend their fullest cooperation in this effort, so that together we can defeat this pandemic," commented Sanjay Wijemanne Deputy General Manager, Retail and SME Banking, HNB. "We are grateful to HNB for

its quick response in launching the Stay Safe initiative at their entire branch network. Contact Tracing is one of the most essential tools we have at our disposal in bringing the transmission of COVID-19 under control, and so we urge all Sri Lankans, and all organizations that have a high level of public interactions to sign up with Stay Safe, and help us prevent the spread of the virus,” commented Jayantha De Silva, Chairman, ICTA. Hatton National Bank leads the Business Today Top 10 rankings and won seven awards at the Best Corporate Citizen Sustainability Awards 2019.